



KILLEEN & LOUISBURGH NEWSLETTER

07 December 2025 Second Sunday of Advent
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Sunday 07 December Killeen 10.00 a.m.

Christy O Malley, Curramalley, 2nd anniversary.
Seamus Sammin.

John and P.J. Sammin.

Kathleen Davitt, 15th anniversary.

James martin O'Malley and deceased family members

Sunday 07 December Louisburgh 11.30 a.m.

Martina Mitchell, Month's Mind.

Bridget Hannon, Bunowen, her husband, Tom and deceased of the Hannon family.

Peter Moran Falduff

Monday December 08

The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

is a significant feast in the liturgical calendar, celebrating the belief that Mary, the mother of Jesus, was conceived without original sin. This event is honoured annually, and the observance holds a special place within the parish community, reflecting the deep reverence for Mary and her role in the history of salvation. We celebrate the holy masses in Killeen 10 00 am

Louisburgh 11.00 am

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| Tuesday | December 09 | 10.00 a.m. |
| Wednesday | December 10 | 10.00 a.m. |
| Thursday | December 11 | 10.00 a.m. |
| Friday | December 12 | 10.00 a.m. |

Liturgical Ministers in Killeen December

Reader: Martin Jennings

Eucharistic: Bridget Donnelly

Liturgical Ministers in Louisburgh December 14

Reader: Ann O Reilly

Eucharistic: Teresa O Malley, Ann Billingham

Adoration in Louisburgh Church: Wednesday Mornings 10.30 a.m. to 11.30 a.m.

Adoration, in Killeen Church: Monday evenings, 7.00 p.m. to 8.00 p.m.

Sick calls for Christmas

If anyone would like Fr. Nelson to attend the sick at their home, for confession and holy communion before Christmas, phone the parish office on 098 66198.

Sunday 14 December Killeen 10.00 a.m.

Richard and Bridget Donnelly, Carrowniskey & deceased family.

Patrick Kneafsey and deceased family members.

Michael and Jasie Gibbons, and deceased family members. Roonith

John and Mollie Gibbons Cloonlara

Gerard and Bridie Kelly Feenone

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Anthony Kilcoyne, 10th anniversary.

Mike and Beccie Scott & deceased family.

Patrick and Mary Mulchrone, Newport.

James and Catherine Healy, Falduff.

John Lyons 1st Anniversary, and deceased members of the Lyons Family. Roonagh point & Bray Co. Wicklow.

Carol Services

All parishioners are invited to attend.

- **Killeen Primary School** pupils will attend on Wednesday, 17 December at 11:00 a.m. in Killeen Church.
- **Louisburgh Primary School** pupils are scheduled for Thursday, 18 December at 11:00 a.m. in Louisburgh Church.
- **Sancta Maria College** students will attend on Friday, 19 December at 9:30 a.m. in Louisburgh Church.

Louisburgh Christmas Choir Practice This Monday night 7.00 p.m. to 8.00 p.m. New members welcome. Children from 1st class upwards.

Sacrament of Reconciliation Parish Penitential Service:

Louisburgh, Sunday, 14 Dec. 7.30 p.m.

There will be a celebration of God's love, mercy, and forgiveness through listening to and reflecting on some of the favorite scripture readings.

Following this short reflection there will be number of priests available for individual confession and absolution.

Alternatively, you may wish to attend, reflect on the message of the Christmas Carols and express sorrow and repentance by doing so.

St. Vincent de Paul: For assistance, please contact 087 921 0885 in confidence.

Advent Wreath:

Prayers on Lighting the Second Candle on your Home Advent Wreath during the second Week of Advent

Father, help us to prepare the way of Jesus, the Light of the world.

May we, who believe he will come again, always serve you.

Let us proclaim this mystery of faith: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again. Amen

Our Father ... Hail Mary... Glory be to the Father Lord God, let your blessing come upon us as we light the candles of this Advent wreath.

May the wreath and its light be a sign of Christ's promise to bring us salvation.

We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.



Altar Servers: Louisburgh and Killeen Church's invite any children who have received their first holy communion and are interested to be Altar servers, their parents are welcome to contact the parish office on 098 66198 or email louisburghparish@icloud.com

Sancta Maria college Tys will host a Christmas fair and grandparents day on Tuesday from 11 am. Also invited to engage in an inter-Generational project about how the area has changed in terms of biodiversity and place names.

Prevention of illness and infections during winter

Hand Sanitiser and face masks are available at the entrances to the churches for who may wish to wear them; many do so in crowded settings because of an underlying medical condition or because of a compromised immune system.

- **Some people are very anxious about the virus transmission. Those who want to receive holy communion on the tongue, they may come to the priest.**
- **A nod or wave of the hand is acceptable at the sign of peace at Mass**

Killeen Bingo every Friday night in Killeen Community Centre. Doors open at 7.30 p.m., eyes down at 8.00 p.m..

Fatima and Lisbon Coast. 7 nights (4 + 3) June 25th - July 2nd 2026. Special Offer ceases November 30th. Contact: 012410800.

Eucharistic Healing Retreat with Fr. John Keane & Deacon Don Devanney at Fr. Peyton Centre, Attymass, Sunday 8th February 2026. Limited spots—booking required. Contact Nicola: 087 9622800.

Louisburgh/Killeen Senior Citizens and Friday Club: Christmas party Next Sunday 14 December in The Old Convent after 11.30 mass. Enjoy a delicious meal and fabulous evening of local talent. Everyone welcome.

If you would like to attend this very enjoyable afternoon, please give your name to any committee member or phone Teresa on 098 66460. Transport available if needed.

All Night Vigil at Knock Shrine takes place on Sunday 07 December. Confessions from 10 p.m. to Midnight. Vigil takes place from Midnight to 4.00 a.m. in Knock Basilica. See www.knockshrine.ie for full programme.

Bambinelli Sunday

Celebrating Bambinelli Sunday, a Blessing of the Baby Jesus figure from our cribs, is a beautiful Advent tradition.



This beautiful Advent Tradition, Bambinelli Sunday, was renewed by Saint Pope John Paul II. The tradition follows that, on the Third

Sunday of Advent (Gaudete or Joyful Sunday), children and parents bring the Baby Jesus figures from their homes to St. Peter's Square, in Rome, where they are blessed by the Pope. Then the children will take them home to be placed under their Christmas trees.

If anyone wishes to bless their figure of baby Jesus bring them along next Sunday 14h December.

Notices should be sent to the parochial house or emailed to louisburghparish@icloud.com no later than Thursday morning