

Parish of Kilsherdany & Drung

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT, Year B

10 December, 2023



Weekend Masses in the Parish:

SATURDAY MASS: Drung 7.30pm

SUNDAY MASS: Corick 10am

Masses This Week:

St Brigid's Church, Kill

Sun 10th - NO MASS

Tues 12th - 9.30 am - Rose Ann Brady

Sun 17th - NO MASS

Eucharistic Adoration: Spend time with Jesus every Tues 6-7pm in Kill Church

Church of Immaculate Conception, Drung

Sat. 9th - 7.30 pm - Mary, John & James Higgins; Eddie Fitzpatrick; Patricia Heaphy; Patsy & Sean Sheridan, all of Ballinacargy, Drung

Thur. 14th - 9.30 am

Sat. 16th - 7.30 pm - Terence Fay, Tullybrick, Lisboduff; Andrew & Kathleen Reilly, Kilmacnoran; Peter & Margaret Reilly, Gortskeagh & deceased members of the Reilly family

St Mary's Church, Bunnoe

Sat. 9th - NO MASS

Wed 13th - 9.30 am

Sat. 16th - NO MASS

St Patrick's Church, Corick

Sun. 10th - 10.00 am - David Gallagher, Corbeagh; Joe & Molly McIntyre, Campstown, & deceased family members; John & Annie Higgins, Drumnatrade; Peter Reilly, Corgreagh; Michael & Kitty McQuillan, Lung

Fri. 15th - 6.30 pm - Luke Smith, Drumnagran & deceased family members

Sun. 17th - 10.00 am - Patrick & Rose McPhillips, Killycreeny, their son Declan & daughter-in-law Mary; Mary Brady (nee McKeon), Fall of Water

Exchange of Priests in the pastoral area will take place at the weekend Masses of 9th & 10th December

Important Church Information

Season of Advent: begins on Sun 3rd Dec & ends Sun 24th Dec. In Advent we prepare for the birth of Christ. Advent is a uniquely joyous and hopeful season in the Church. We light candles amidst the darkness. We find warmth in the cold, dark winter season. And we come together as friends and family to celebrate the coming of our Savior. The four candles of Advent represent the four Sundays of Advent, and they respectively symbolize hope, peace, joy, and love. In some homes and parishes, people will also light a fifth candle on Christmas Eve or Christmas Day to represent the birth of Jesus; this candle, when added to the Advent wreath, is typically white and larger than the other candles and is placed in the centre of the wreath.

Advent week 2 - Peace: Bethlehem Candle (purple)
Like the first candle, the second candle is also **purple**, the primary colour of Advent and a color symbolizing royalty. Often called the "**Bethlehem Candle**," the second candle reminds us of Mary and Joseph's journey from Nazareth to Bethlehem before Mary gave birth to Jesus. Building on the meaning of the Prophecy Candle, this second candle recalls that after all of the division, destruction, and dispersion of the kingdom in the Old Testament, there might finally be peace on Earth - Jesus is coming, and so is his Kingdom of Peace.



Feast Days During Coming Week:

Monday: St Damasus I
Tuesday: Our Lady of Guadalupe, St Finnian
Wednesday: St Lucy
Thursday: St John of the Cross

St Vincent de Paul Annual Collection: 9th & 10th December at the church gates. SVP envelopes in back of all the churches if anyone wants to donate that way.

It has been agreed at a recent Pastoral Council Meeting that all **church gate collections** must take place off church grounds and away from church gates/entrances. We would ask all collectors to respect this decision.

Christmas Penitential Service & Confession will take place in St. Michael's Church, Cootehill on Mon 18th Dec at 7.30 pm. Parishioners are encouraged to attend.

Kill Altar Society: Dec 2023 - Jackie Mc Mahon & Sinead O'Flynn

Corick Altar Society: Dec 2023 - Mary McPhillips

Bunnoe Rotas (Dec): Altar Society: Susie McCaul **Cleaning:** Gretta Fay, Bernie Moore, Jane O'Reilly, Ann Hughes **Door Collectors:** Hugh John Cassidy, Sean McConnell

Friday 29th December - First Friday Calls - from 10 am

Fr. Yusuf is bringing Holy Communion to those at home, to all church areas. If you want anyone to be added to the First Friday Calls list, please contact the parish office. 049 589 3239 or kilsherdanyanddrungparish@gmail.com

2024 Pioneer calendar, offering spiritual support & encouragement to families impacted by alcohol & addiction, is available from Pioneer centres & from Central Office (01 805 4226). €5. www.pioneerassociation.org/calendar

Christmas Cards & Mass Cards now available in all four churches.

Fr Yusuf Bamai, PP

049-5553035 or 089 964 5065

Email: kill@kilmorediocese.ie or drung@kilmorediocese.ie

Office (Kill Church porch room): Tuesday and Thursday; 10.00am-12.30pm

Landline: 049 589 3239 **Parish Website:** kilsherdanyanddrungparish.com

Please send all items for the newsletter before 9pm on Wednesday to kilsherdanyanddrungparish@gmail.com [webcam: www.churchtv.ie](http://webcam:www.churchtv.ie)

Other Priests of the Pastoral Area

Fr John Cooney, PP Cootehill: 049555-2120 & 086-875-5695

Fr Martin Gilcreest, PP, Laragh: 049-433-0142

Fr Michael Gilsean, CC, Maudabawn: 087-436-3555

Most Rev. Dr. Martin Hayes Diocesan Bishop, Kilmore

Important Local Information

Whist: Tullyvin Community Centre on Tuesday the 19th of December at 8.30pm

Join us for Bingo: every Monday night at 8pm in Bunnoe Community Centre

Indoor Bowls: in Tullyvin Community Centre, every Monday night at 8pm

Drung GFC Blotto Results Monday 4th December 2023. Numbers drawn: 2. 24. 26. 27. No Jackpot Winner. €30 Winners: PJ Fay, Kilnacross, FOD; Sean Reilly, Coolcanadas, FOD; Mary McDermott, Cootehill; Rosella McEnroe, Lisboduff. Next week's jackpot €7,200.

Kilmore Youth Ministry is running a Christmas art competition, open to all primary school students in Kilmore Diocese. Participants are asked to "draw a picture of the first Nativity" Entries can be sent to Youth Ministry Office, The Conaty Centre Cullies Co Cavan. The closing date is December 12th.

Money Found on the grounds of St Brigid's Church Kill, Fri 20th Jan 2023, prior to a "full house" anniversary mass celebration - the rightful owner to this money has yet to be discovered. The search continues until 20th Jan 2024, after which time the money becomes the property of the finder. Please contact the gardai in Cootehill (049 5552105) or Bailieboro (042 9694577) with any information that might help this search. Other churches in the district please copy.

General News

Here are some Support numbers you may find useful:

ALONE (Elderly): 0818222024 **AWARE** (Anxious/Depressed): 1800804848

TEARMANN (Dom Abuse): 0858102433 **PIETA** (Mental Health): 1800247247

SAMARITANS (To Talk): 116 123 **CHILDLINE** (Children): 1800 666 666

WOMEN'S AID (Dom Abuse): 1800341900 **MEN'S AID**: 015543811

NORTH WEST STOP (Free counselling): 086 777200