



16th & 17th May 2020

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Remembrance Mass

Knockerra Church

Saturday 16th May 8.15pm Facebook Live

JJ O'Dea, Derrylough

Michael & Ann Walsh & son Michael & deceased family members. Garanatootha.

James Browne & deceased family members, Molougha
Tess Culligan, Tullagower

Killimer Church

Saturday 23rd May 8.15pm Facebook Live

Killimer Parish Mass

Mass will now be available via Facebook each Saturday night at 8.15pm for Killimer Parish. It will alternate each week between Knockerra and Killimer Church.

Clare Haven Services

Clare Haven Services are still available to every woman who needs them. They can be contacted on their 24 hour helpline 065 6822435

Rosary Intentions

The rosary is prayed Monday – Saturday after 10 a.m. Mass & again Monday – Friday at 8 p.m. each night in Kilrush. If anyone would like to have the rosary prayed for a particular intention; please feel free to contact Kilrush Parish Office 089-4026161 or Fr. Pat 087-2300627 and let them know.

May Diocesan Safeguarding Month

The month of May is normally the Diocesan Safeguarding Month. However in these exceptional circumstances during this month, it is not possible to mark it as we would normally do. We ask that people keep in their prayers those children and adults who are experiencing harm and or have been hurt by others. We ask that you look out for those who are struggling during this time, by giving them a smile, a wave or a few kind words.

Condolence

We extend our sympathy to Susan and all the Flanagan Family on the death of Paddy. May he rest in peace.

Mass from Kilrush

Weekday mornings 10am mass

Sat @ 10am & 7pm

Sunday @ 10am & 12noon.

Mass intentions are still welcome, just ring the parish phone @ 0894026161 & they can arrange it for you.

The webcam is available through Kilrush Parish Website www.kilrushparish.com or through www.mcnmedia.tv/camera/st-senans-church

Do you know your Eircode?

This is very important if you need to call the emergency services - having it to hand can decrease response time. Search www.eircode.ie

Killimer Local History Group

We are currently researching the names and data in the Old Graveyard in Burrane. We would appreciate if anyone could identify any of the many unmarked graves, Please contact any member and we will arrange a viewing.

The Alzheimer Society of Ireland

The Alzheimer Society of Ireland have experienced huge disruption to our regular calendar of fundraising events due to the restrictions in place to ensure public safety, leading to a drop in income. We are currently running a virtual run/walk fundraising challenge which people can participate in while fully respecting the restrictions in place. Please contact Jarlath in the fundraising team on jarlath.coyle@alzheimer.ie or see our website <https://store.alzheimer.ie/> for further information about our Keep Moving in May challenge - a virtual run/walk which people can complete in their own time and pace over the month of May.

COVID-19 Support Line for Older People:

ALONE has launched a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to the outbreak of COVID-19 (Coronavirus). Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open seven days a week, 8am - 8pm, by calling 0818 222 024.

Clare Covid-19 Community Response Helpline

The helpline can put you in touch with local volunteers who can assist with delivering basic needs such as shopping, medicine, fuel, farming support etc. to those who need it. Tel: 1890 252943 Email: covidsupport@clarecoco.ie

Covid-19 Helpline For Farmers

Call 076 111 3533 in association with Teagasc

May- Month Of Mary

This month is dedicated to Our Lady. Irish people have always had great respect for Our Lady. It is still a custom to have a May altar in homes and recite the rosary daily during the month of May. This year Pope Francis has asked us to use our time of social isolation and cocooning to pray the Rosary. Last week Bishop Fintan advised us to use the Prayer of the Five Fingers when saying the Rosary. This is a method of prayer devised by Pope Francis some years before he was elected Pope.

1. The thumb is closest finger to you. So, start praying for those who are closest to you. They are the persons easiest to remember. To pray for our dear ones is a "Sweet Obligation."

2. The index finger is next. Pray for those who teach you, instruct you and heal you. They need the support and wisdom to show direction to others. Always keep them in your prayers. 3. The middle finger is the longest. It reminds us of our leaders, the governors and those who have authority. They need God's guidance.

4. The fourth finger is the ring finger. It is our weakest finger. It should remind us to pray for the weakest, the sick or those plagued by problems. They need your prayers.

5. And finally, the smallest of all. It reminds you to pray for yourself. When you have prayed for the other four groups, you will be able to see your own needs but in the proper perspective, and you will be able to pray for your own needs in a better way.

Killaloe Diocesan Pilgrimage To Knock

The pilgrimage will be a virtual pilgrimage on Sunday next May 24th. It will begin at 2.55pm with a 5 minute video message from the Diocese. The prayers throughout the Mass will be focused on the Killaloe Diocese. www.knockshrine.ie

Re-Opening of Churches:

As a follow up to Bishop Fintan's Pastoral letter & after feedback from pastoral council members, it was acknowledged that it would be great to see churches reopened. The feedback also highlighted the responsibility we have as a church community to ensure the care of each other.

We feel the time is not right just now to re-open the churches. Because of this we will NOT be re-opening on this Monday 18th May.

We will continue to monitor the situation and issue a further statement in due course. We encourage everyone to continue to WASH YOUR HANDS and observe Social Distancing. In this the month of May we pray to Our Lady to help us in our hour of need.

May Devotions in honour of Our Lady

We encourage you to pray the Rosary, (even one decade), particularly during May.

Bring Flowers of the Rarest

Bring flowers of the rarest
bring blossoms the fairest,
from gardens and woodlands
and hillside and dale;
Our full hearts are swelling,
our glad voices telling
the praise of the loveliest flower of the vale!



Chorus:

*O Mary we crown thee with blossoms today!
Queen of the Angels and Queen of the May.
O Mary we crown thee with blossoms today,
Queen of the Angels and Queen of the May.*