

23rd & 24th May 2020

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Anniversary Masses

Killimer Church Saturday 23rdMay 8.15pm Facebook Live

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Saturday 30th May 8.15pm Facebook Live Kathleen Daly, Woodview, Killimer

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. 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 us 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.

Congratulations

Drive by Birthday Wishes to Peg Morgan at her home in Blainmore, Kilmurry McMahon on Monday 1st June 2020 celebrating her 100th Birthday from 1 O Clock to 3 O Clock.

All are welcome.

Parish Donations

In response to requests from parishioners as to how to make the weekly donations to the parish, we are putting the following system in place.

In **Knockerra Church** donations in envelopes can be put through the **letter opening in the side door near the boiler house**. In **Killimer Church** donations in envelopes can be put through **the letter opening in the sacristy door**. Please be assured that No Money will be left in the church overnight.

There is also the possibility of depositing your donation in a box that is in Kilrush Post Office which has a label for Kilrush Church donations on it. These will be passed on to Killimer Parish.

We are grateful for your support especially at this time.

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.

Holy Communion

The celebration of Holy Communion for the pupils from Knockerra N.S. & Burrane N.S. was meant to take place next Saturday 30th May at 12 Noon. Unfortunately this will not now be taking place. There is sadness and disappointment, but we can assure the boys & girls, you their families and friends, their teachers that this Special Day will take place when it is safe to do so. We remember in a special way our boys & girls --M.J.Dunne, Joshua Purcell, Aisling Meaney, Tadhg McMahon, Darragh O' Leary, Amy Clancy, Sophia Moloney, Martin Culligan, Brian Kennedy. We pray that God will bless you & your families & keep you safe at this time.

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

Trocaire

Every year Trócaire asks for your help during Lent to fund lifesaving programmes around the world. This year, of course, it was not possible to return Trócaire boxes through schools or parishes in the usual way. This is the worst possible timing coming just as the

world's poorest people need us most.

Therefore, Trócaire are appealing to you to return your Lenten donation. Simply count or estimate what is in



your box and donate in the following way-Amount can be put in an envelope & put through opening in doors in both Churches. Knockerra Church in the side door near boiler house & in the sacristy door of Killimer Church.

The contents of each and every Trócaire box, no matter how small, come together to make a significant difference. This virus knows no borders, but neither does our compassion.

Messenger Magazine

As many readers of The Sacred Heart Messenger cannot access their monthly 'little red book'. Therefore, during this coronavirus crisis we are delighted to make the digital edition of The Messenger available FREE OF CHARGE until we return to normal delivery. Please send your email request to c.henry@messenger.ie and we will send you a link to view the Messenger on your laptop, tablet or mobile phone 01 6767 491.

Killaloe Diocesan Pilgrimage To Knock

The pilgrimage will be a virtual pilgrimage on Sunday 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.