



## **28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup> November 2020**

Fr. Pat Larkin: 9062729 Fr Michael Sheedy: Tel: 9051093  
Newsletter: Caroline Lynch 0860660535 carolineynlch@yahoo.co.uk  
Parish Safeguarding Representatives: Marie Callinan & Laura Fennell



### **Anniversary Masses**

#### **Knockerra Church**

##### **Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> November at 6pm (webcam)**

Cyril Fennell & deceased family members  
Peadar and Mary Keating  
Culligan Family, Trellig  
Culligan & Keating Families, Tonovoher

##### **Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> December at 6pm**

Thomas Lucas, Knockerra

##### **Monday 7<sup>th</sup> December at 6pm**

John & Margaret Kilmartin  
Francis & Bridget Moloney & deceased family members Carrowfree

#### **Killimer Church**

##### **Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> November 11am (webcam)**

Martina Downes, Clooneylissane 1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary  
Brendan Fitzpatrick, Burrane

##### **Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> December 11am**

### **COVID-19 Support Line for Older People :**

ALONE manage 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.

### **An Act Of Spiritual Communion:**

While we cannot receive communion at this time we can still make an act of Spiritual Communion in which we express our faith in Jesus and his presence in the Eucharist and invite him to unite himself with us. Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you.

Amen.

### **Parish Donations**

In these times of Government lockdown and restrictions on attendances at public masses, many people who are unable to attend church services are interested in contributing to the support of their parish or their priests. Sincere thanks to all our parishioners who have contributed during this time. It is now possible to make a contribution by credit or debit card directly to your parish using the Diocesan Website – [www.killaloediocese.ie](http://www.killaloediocese.ie). The full contribution as received by the Diocesan website will be fully paid to your parish. Simply go to the Diocesan Website and click on the red “Donate to your Parish” button on the top of the page. You will be invited to select your parish and the parish fund you wish to contribute to. Your support is greatly appreciated. You can also access this link via the DONATE button on the Killimer Parish Website.

<https://www.killaloediocese.ie/parish/killimer-and-knockerra/donate/>



**Support Line**  
1800 80 48 48  
**Support Mail**  
[supportmail@aware.ie](mailto:supportmail@aware.ie)

**Rosemary Carvill**  
National Coordinator  
Support & Self Care Groups

**Mobile:** 085 856 8204  
**Head Office:** 01 661 7211  
[rosemary.carvill@aware.ie](mailto:rosemary.carvill@aware.ie)  
9 Leeson Street Upper, Dublin 4

If you wish to connect with people in relation to your mental wellbeing, please consider using the Phone In and Zoom Support & Self Care Groups, the Support Line or Support Mail, now and throughout the holiday season. These services provide support, coping skills and information – and most importantly help people who are in distress to know and feel that they are not alone in their experience. For more information about the groups <https://www.aware.ie/support/support-groups/> and all of our services on [www.aware.ie](http://www.aware.ie)

## **Advent Wreath:**

The Advent Wreath was first used as Christian devotion in the Middle Ages. Its design comes from the customs of the pre-Christian Germanic and Scandinavian cultures, where candles and greenery were used as symbols of light and life during the dark and cold winter. The Advent Wreath has always been a circular evergreen wreath with four or five candles, three purple, one rose and sometimes a white candle for Christmas Day placed in the centre of the wreath. The candles symbolise the light of Christ coming into the world. The evergreen symbolises renewal and the circular shape the completeness of God. The candle colours come from the traditional liturgical colours of Advent, (purple and rose) and Christmas (white). Each candle is lit on the appropriate Sunday of Advent and then the candles can be lit each day according to the week. Overtime each candle was given a name and linked to a particular part of the Advent story. Candle 1. Hope (purple)  
Candle 2. Peace (purple)  
Candle 3. Joy (rose)  
Candle 4. Love (purple)

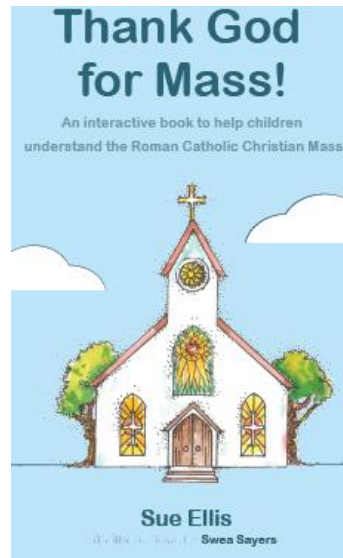
## **Remembrance Tree**

As a way of remembering our deceased love ones, each December we hold the Remembrance Tree Ceremony in St. Senan's Church, Kilrush. All cards are €5 and the money raised is donated to two very worthy charities; 1 - Temple Street Children's University Hospital 2 - The Special Needs Unit, St. Senan's Primary School, Kilrush This year's ceremony is on the 9<sup>th</sup> December 2020 at 7pm. It shall also be broadcast online by Webcam at [www.kilrushparish.com](http://www.kilrushparish.com) Cards are available at the moment from: Ger Kelly Pen 2 Paper, Duffy Chemist Mairead O'Donnell and Sharon Reidy The Leisure Centre. Also you can donate to the "Go Fund Me" page.



## **Thank God For Mass**

Sue Ellis is the author of a new interactive book designed to encourage children aged 5-10 to enjoy Mass and become Mass experts, particularly those preparing for their First Holy Communion. Planning for next year after the lockdowns of 2020 will be so important for encouraging children and families back into Church. Sales of her book are raising funds for Youth SVP and Mini-Vinnies. She is a Eucharistic & Liturgical Minister, Lay Chaplain at York Hospital and Young Vincentians Development Officer for the Middlesbrough Diocese and was a teacher and adviser for over 30 years. If you would like to buy this book for the children aged 5 to 10 years or require more information contact Sue Ellis on [sueellisbooks@btinternet.com](mailto:sueellisbooks@btinternet.com) or from the publisher Quacks Books, York Tel: 01904 635967 or from any good bookshop using the ISBN: 978-1-912728-20-6.



***A Moment to Pray Lord,  
On this first day of Advent,  
give me the grace to slow down.  
Let me travel with the Wise Kings, following  
the rising star and seeking advice as I travel.  
Let me select gifts to bring that may be  
worthy of your saving birth  
and help me to encounter people along the  
Advent way,  
truly encounter them in a way that is  
meaningful and rooted in the Christian call.  
As the journey begins Lord, I place its  
destination in your hands and truly pray  
with my entire being, that I may fall to my  
knees,  
give thanks and praise your name.  
Amen.***

*Don't think of setbacks as losses, but as opportunities – vacant lots on which to build new dreams.*