

# 20th & 21st February 2021

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## **Anniversary Masses**

## **Knockerra Church**

# Saturday 20th February 6pm (Webcam)

# Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> February 6pm(Webcam) Michael O'Brien, Patrick & Anne O'Brien

## Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> March 6pm (Webcam)

#### **Killimer Church**

# <u>Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> February 11am (Webcam)</u> Patrick Clohessy, Moneen

Mary Cunningham

# Sunday 28th February 11am (Webcam)

Months Mind: Pat Madigan, Clooneylissane

Paddy Carmody Stephen Carmody Sr. Maura Killeen

# Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> March 11am (Webcam) Paddy & Jenny Martin

Michael Burke

Let us therefore cast aside the work of darkness and put on the Armor of light.

- Rom- 13:12

## This Lent Reject Every Trace of Envy.

**Reflection**: Envy is sadness over the good fortune of another. Learn to spot that sadness when it arises in your heart, and then stamp it out.

Focus on your own unique qualities, not what you lack. Do not allow sadness to rule your heart. Prayer: Lord, let me praise you when I resent the good fortune of others.

#### **Trócaire**

Trócaire's campaign for 2021 explores the impact of conflict on families in South Sudan. It highlights the challenges facing families and communities who have been displaced by conflict, how they support each other through these challenges, and how they help each other to survive and thrive. We can learn from these families how to best support ourselves and each other during the current Covid-19 pandemic. We learn more about the suffering of people who have lost their homes and loved ones to war, and how they are rebuilding their lives through love, friendship and solidarity.

This Lent, we learn more about the suffering of people who have lost their homes and loved ones to war, and how they are rebuilding their lives through love, friendship and solidarity. Awut and Ajak lost their homes and loved ones to the conflict in South Sudan. They fled their villages with nothing but the clothes on their back, trekking through miles of dangerous bushland with no food or water for themselves or their children. Awut arrived in the community of Malek frightened, but was welcomed with loving arms by her new neighbours. Some time later, Ajak returned to Malek after having been away with her husband who was a soldier. Here, in this remarkable community, people whose lives were brought together by pain and suffering are starting new lives based on love, friendship and kindness. Every day remains a struggle for Awut and Ajak and their families.



## **Trocaire Boxes**

The Trócaire boxes for Lent will be available at the Altar rails in Knockerra Church & in the Sanctuary of Killimer Church as and from this weekend. In these difficult times we invite and encourage you to collect one for your home & during the season of Lent through your financial support think of the people of South Sudan who are struggling and displaced.

#### **Rosary**

Rosary and reflection with hymns from St. Senan's Church, Knockerra, continues each Tuesday during Lent at 7.30pm lasting 40 mins approx. Why not join in on the webcam Killimer Parish live

#### St Patricks Day Virtual Event.

Clare County Council invites Clare people at home/abroad to take part, by recording and submitting a performance, prizes to be won. For more details see www.clarecoco.ie.

#### **Meditation**

Fr Flann Lynch ofm cap has put up two videos. One introduction and the other a meditation.

Fr. Flann Lynch -A super response to Covid - search on Goggle or on YouTube

Fr. Flann Lynch - The Wild Ox's Strength: A Response To Covid.

### **Clare County Council**

Clare County Council have launched a new initiative this month and are providing free apple trees as part of Clare Keep Well and to get people out growing their own and connecting with nature in their own gardens. All trees need to be pre-booked by emailing Annette Ryan at anryan@clarecoco.ie or phoning 065-6846407 to place your order. There will be a collection day for pre-ordered trees at the Roslevan Farmers Market on Friday February 26<sup>th</sup>.

Visit the Council's Keep Well website page for details of the project and for planting guidelines. https://www.clarecoco.ie/.../clare-apple-tree-project...



#### **Tax Efficient Parish Donations**

Under the terms of the Revenue approved Scheme of Tax Relief on Donations to charities, if you are an Irish taxpayer (PAYE or Self Assessed), and you donate a total of €250 or more to your parish in a calendar year, your parish can claim back the related tax relief of 31% on your total donations. That means that your donation of €250 could be actually worth €362 to your parish – at no extra cost to you. All you have to do is complete a CHY3 form (Enduring 5 years form) and return it to your local parish office and they can do the rest. Further details are available on the Revenue website. https://www.killaloediocese.ie/parish/killimer-and-knockerra/donate/https://www.revenue.ie/en/companies-and-charities/documents/charities/chy3-enduring-certificate.pdf

#### **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 COVID-19. 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.

#### **Do You Want To Fast This Lent?**

In the Words of Pope Francis

- Fast from hurting words and say kind words.
- Fast from sadness and be filled with gratitude.
- Fast from anger **and be filled with patience**.
- Fast from pessimism and be filled with hope.
- ♦ Fast from worries and have trust in God.
- ♦ Fast from complaints and contemplate simplicity.
- ♦ Fast from pressures **and be prayerful**.
- Fast from bitterness and fill your hearts with joy.
- **♦** Fast from selfishness **and be compassionate to others.**
- Fast from grudges and be reconciled.
- ♦ Fast from words and be silent so that you can listen.

#### **Thought for Lent**

Keep me, O God, from pettiness.

Let us be large in thought, word and deed.

Let us be done with fault-finding and leave off selfseeking.

May we put away all pretence and meet each other face to face without self-pity and without prejudice. May we never be hasty in judgment and always generous.

Let us take time for all things.

Make us grow calm, serene, gentle.

Teach us to put into action our better impulses, and make us straight-forward and unafraid.

Grant that we may realize that it is the little things in life that create differences; that in the big things we are all as one.

And, O Lord God,

Let us not forget to be kind

When one door of happiness closes, another opens; but often we look so long at the closed door that we do not see the one which has been opened for us.

Helen Keller