

13th & 14th March 2021

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Anniversary Masses

Knockerra Church

Saturday 13th March 6pm (Webcam) Josie & John Toman, Tullagower

John & Mary Clancy, Carrowfree

<u>Tuesday 16th March 6pm (Webcam)</u> Mass for St. Patrick's Day

Saturday 20th March 6pm (Webcam)

Killimer Church

Sunday 14th March 11am (Webcam)

Sean Cooper, Donail

Wednesday 17th March 11 am (Webcam)

St. Patrick's Day

Sunday 21st March 11am (Webcam)

Wednesday 17th March is the Feast of St. Patrick our National Apostle.

St Patrick, the Patron Saint of Ireland was born in the second half of the 4th century. Despite his family involvement in the church, young Patrick was not a believer. His life was ordinary, and completely unexceptional, until the age of 16. Patrick was kidnapped and sold into slavery in Ireland. During this period, he became increasingly religious. After a vision led him to stow away on a boat bound for Britain, Patrick escaped back to his family. There he had a dream that the Irish were calling him back to Ireland to tell them about God. For 20 years he travelled all over Ireland baptising people and establishing monasteries, schools and churches as he went. He died, on the 17th March 46 and was buried in Downpatrick, Co Down

Lough Derg

Sunday 21st March RTE Studio Broadcast Mass at 11am will be celebrated by Msgr La Flynn, Prior of Lough Derg along with the Lough Derg Pastoral and Music teams. The Mass will be offered for the Lough Derg pilgrim family near and far. Tune into RTE 1 Television or RTE Radio 1.

Beannachtaí na Féile Pádraig Oraibh

St. Patrick's Breastplate (433 AD)

Christ with me,

Christ before me,

Christ behind me,

Christ in me,

Christ beneath me,

Christ above me,

Christ on my right,

Christ on my left,

Christ when I lie down. Christ when I sit down,

Christ when I arise.

Christ in the heart of every man who thinks of me,

Christ in the mouth of everyone who speaks of me,

Christ in every eye that sees me,

Christ in every ear that hears me.



I have learned to be content with whatever I have. I know how to live with little, and I know how to live with plenty.

-Phil 4:11, 12

Be Content

Reflection: A peaceful spirit is attainable. All you need is the will to count your blessings, the wisdom to accept the things you cannot change and the courage to change the things you can.

Prayer: Holy Spirit, console me, comfort me, and give me peace of soul.

Kilrush St Patricks Day

Theme: Sending Gra to family and friends away from home. Whilst we won't be gathering in the streets of Kilrush this year, we are delighted to announce that you can join us for our Virtual St Patricks' day at 3pm, on our fb page and there will also be a link available for YouTube. Highlights include: Kilrush Jerusalema Challenge, Airs of Kilrush (some great music and singers lined up) The big movie St Patricks day Kilrush (past parades). Lots of competitions to enter or encourage your family and friends to take part, entries are open until Sunday 14th, with trophies and cash prizes for the winners, which will be announced on St Patricks Day. Kilrush Jerusalema Challenge, best decorated residential property, business window display, my favourite 5km photo, vintage car vintage tractor, childrens art competition (using theme, sending Gra to family and friends away from home) Submit your entries to our Facebook page Kilrush St Patricks Day or by email to kilrushstpatricksday@gmail.com

I arise today
Through the strength of heaven;
Light of the sun,
Splendour of fire,
Speed of lightning,
Swiftness of the wind,
Depth of the sea,
Stability of the earth,
Firmness of the rock.
I arise today
Through God's strength to pilot me;
God's might to uphold me,
God's eye to look before me,
God's ear to hear me,

God's hand to guard me,
God's way to lie before me,
God's shield to protect me,
God's hosts to save me
Afar and anear,
Alone or in a multitude.
Christ shield me today
Against wounding

God's word to speak for me,

Christ with me, Christ before me, Christ behind me, Christ in me, Christ beneath me, Christ above me, Christ on my right, Christ on my left, Christ when I lie down, Christ when I sit down, Christ in the heart of everyone who thinks of me, Christ in the mouth of everyone who speaks of me, Christ in the eye that sees me,

Christ in the eye that sees me, Christ in the ear that hears me. I arise today Through the mighty strength Of the Lord of creation



Knockerra School is accepting enrolment applications for the year beginning September 2021/2022. Application forms can be obtained by contacting the school office at 0659052379 or by post at Knockerra N.S. Knockerra, Kilrush, Co. Clare V15 AR27 /email at knockerraschool.ias@gmail.com



Age Action are offering five hours tutoring, **by phone**, to anyone who needs support using their smart device or laptop.

Covering topics like how to set up an email, how to download an app,

how to use video to see your loved ones etc.

For more information, please call 01 4756989 or email gettingstarted@ageaction.ie

Happy Mother's Day



A Prayer for Mothers.

We pray for all mothers who give life and count toes and tend to every need

May they be blessed with patience and tenderness to care for their families and themselves with great joy. We pray for our own mothers who have nurtured and cared for us;

May they continue to guide us in strong and gentle ways
We remember mothers who are separated from their
children because of war, poverty, or conflict;
May they feel the loving ambrage of our Cod who wines

May they feel the loving embrace of our God who wipes every tear away.

We pray for women who are not mothers but still love and shape us with motherly care and compassion.

We remember mothers, grandmothers, and greatgrandmothers who are no longer with us but who live forever in our memory and nourish us with their love. Amen.



The greatest healing therapy is friendship, love and listening. Words of kindness are more healing to a drooping heart than balm or honey.