



## **Killimer Parish 1<sup>st</sup> January 2023**

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### **Knockerra Church**

**Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> December 6 p.m.**

**Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December 6pm**

**Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December 10 am Kilrush**

Feast of the Epiphany

**Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> January 6 p.m.**

### **Killimer Church**

**Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> January 10.30 a.m.**

Mary & Michael Sexton, Besborough House,  
Killimer

Michael & Peg Meehan, Clooneylissane

**Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> January 10.30 a.m.**

Dermot Lynch, Killimer

#### ***Life's Clock***

*The clock of life is wound but once and no man  
has the power to tell just where the hands will stop  
at late or early hour.*

*To lose one's wealth is sad indeed, to lose ones  
health is more To lose ones soul is such a loss as  
no man can restore*

*The present only is our own, - live - love - toil with  
a will*

*And place no faith in tomorrow  
for the clock may then be still.*

**At The Beginning Of A New Year**

**Lord Jesus Christ,**

Yesterday, today, forever, you consecrate time and space with  
your abiding presence.

Here, as we stand on the threshold of a new year, we ask that your  
loving presence may overflow into every area of our lives.

Make us a new creation; Let nothing of the past be an obstacle to  
our journey with you to the Father's House.

Stay with us, Lord, on our journey and remind us often of your  
gentle, guiding hand.

You are the Lord of our lives now and forever.

**Amen**



**Knockerra Church Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> January**

Eucharist Minister: Angela Flanagan

Liturgy Reader: Anne Pyne

**Knockerra Church Flower Rota January**

Monica Frawley

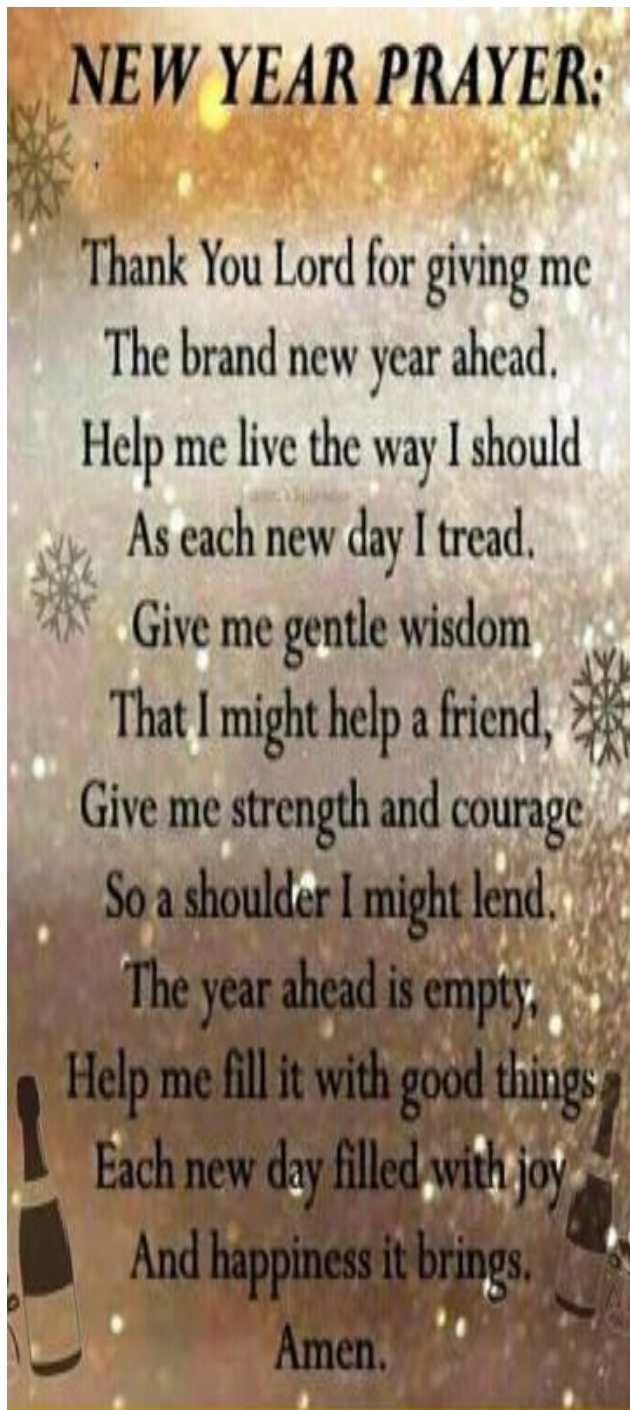
**Killimer Church Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> January**

Eucharist Minister: Ailish Malone & Marie Browne

**Killimer Church Cleaning Rota January**

Sheila Donovan, Mary Moran, Geraldine Ryan & Mary  
Nugent.

Please remember to sanitise your hands on the way in and out of the church.



## New Year's Eve Ceremony

New Year's Eve "Pray out the Old Year Pray in The New Year" Our parish will close the year 2022 on Saturday 31st December - New Years' Eve with a special closing ceremony. This service will commence at 11.30pm in St. Senan's Church, Kilrush and will end at 12.05 on New Year's morning. We extend a warm welcome to join with us for this special service when we give thanks for the many graces and blessings which have been given to us as we travel along the road of life. We know that many will enjoy the usual festivities but if you could spare some time to come to Church for these 35 minutes, it would be the best way possible to start the New Year and to give thanks to God for all the blessings he has heaped on us. And you will still have plenty of time to enjoy the celebrations.

## Little Christmas

"NOLLAIG NA MBAN" or "Little Women's Christmas" is an old custom that's still celebrated by women all over Ireland. It goes back to the days when large families were the norm. Men never lifted a finger in the house to help and were never expected to. If a man washed the dishes, he would be called an "auld woman" by other men. No full-blooded Irish man was prepared to risk that! But each year, after the Christmas holiday, tired women finally got a break – for one day, at least. On January 6th (the same day as the Epiphany), men would take over of the housework, offering women a chance to go out to relax with each other.

### *Let It Go*

Another year is drawing to a close.

It is a time to remember happy days and unexpected kindnesses. Perhaps, also a time to make new resolutions.

'Ring out the old, Ring in the new,  
Ring, happy bells, across the snow.

The year is going, let him go; Ring out the false, Ring in  
the true.'

Tennyson

Don't be afraid to let the old year go—a fresh New Year is waiting. May it hold great faith, health, happiness, love and friendship for each one of us.