

Killimer 9th & 10th December 2023

INIS CATHAIGH PASTORAL AREA

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Knockerra Church

Saturday 16th December 8 p.m.

Marian Walsh, Clooneylissane, Killimer 1st Anniversary. John Joe Meehan, Tonovoher Teresa, P.J. & Joseph McNamara, Knockerra Bridie & Johnny Collins, also Collins & O' Dea family

Killimer Church

Sunday 10th December 10.30 a.m.

John O'Sullivan & deceased family members Harry Smyth, Dublin James McMahon, Donail Senan McMahon, Donail We also remember Jim McMahon who died recently.

Knockerra Church Flower Rota December

Phil Crowley & Ann Pyne

Killimer Church Cleaning December

Marie Callinan, Martina Walsh & Marian Mc Keown

NEW MASS ROTA IN INIS CATHAIGH PASTORAL AREA FROM 2^{ND} / 3^{RD} DECEMBER

| Saturday Evening | Saturday | Saturday |
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| | Evening | Evening |
| December 2 nd | December 9th | December 16 th |
| Kilrush 6.30 pm | Kilrush 6.30 | Kilrush 6.30 pm |
| Knockerra 8 pm | Cree 8 pm | Knockerra 8 pm |
| Sunday Morning | Sunday | Sunday Morning |
| | Morning | |
| December 3 rd | December 10 th | December 17 th |
| Kilrush 9.00 am | Kilrush 9 am | Kilrush 9 am |
| Cooraclare 10.30 | Killimer 10.30 | Cooraclare 10.30 |
| Kilmihil 11.00 | Kilmihil 11.00 | Kilmihil 11.00 |
| Kilrush 12.00 | Kilrush 12.00 | Kilrush 12.00 |

Bambinelli Sunday Baby Jesus

Each year on the 3rd Sunday of Advent, Pope Francis invites children to bring the Baby Jesus ("Bambinelli") from the family crib for a special blessing. Next weekend 16th December at Mass in Knockerra at 8pm, you are invited to bring your Bambinelli for a blessing on your crib in your home this Christmas. A suggestion is, following the blessing, take your 'Bambinelli' home and place it in a gift box, wrap it and save it for Christmas. Let this be the first gift your family opens on Christmas Eve together place the Baby Jesus into the family crib. Say a prayer of blessing together asking God to protect your family and thanking God for the gift of His Son

Advent Service Of Reconciliation

There will be an opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) on Sunday 17th December at 7 p.m. in St. Senan's Church, Kilrush. Priests' from both Pastoral Areas, Inis Cathaigh & Cois Fharraige will be available on the night. This is an opportunity as we journey this Advent to reflect on where we can allow the light of the Christ child to guide us in a new way.

Knockerra Church

The Holy Rosary is on-going in Knockerra Church every evening at 7 p.m. Praying together is powerful, everyone is welcome.

St. Vincent De Paul

This Christmas will be a very difficult time for many families. The annual St. Vincent De Paul collection will be taken up at Masses weekend 10th & 16th Dec. We ask your generous support so that we can help others. Every little donation can help in a big way.

Praying With Christmas Cards

Keep all your cards together and as they arrive each day choose a different card. Talk or think kindly of the sender and family as part of your night prayer. Pray for these people in a special way.

Blessing Of Christmas Ornaments

Have each family member choose a favourite ornament and hold it. Select someone or ask someone to volunteer in leading the following blessing.

Leader: God, we ask you to bless these ornaments. Each one of these represents a thread in the tapestry of our family's life together. We gather today to be mindful of how you have been present with us through all our days. We know that you are present with us now as our family story continues to unfold. Help us to see one another as precious and dear, to treat one another with tenderness and care, and to enjoy and celebrate the joy that each one of us brings to the family. We ask you this in a spirit of memory and celebration. All: Amen. (After the blessing, your family might take time to share stories connected to some favourite ornaments.)

Pioneer Calendar:

The 2024 Pioneer calendar is available from Pioneer centres and from central office (01 805 4226). The calendar is designed to offer spiritual support to people who are assisting families or who are praying for a relation or friend who is impacted by alcohol and addiction. The calendar costs €5. www.pioneerassociation.org/calendar

24 Hour Adoration

24 Hour Adoration St Senan's Church, Knockerra. Friday 15th December commencing at 8 p.m. An opportunity during Advent to spend some quiet time with the Lord.

St John Bosco Community College

Transition Year presents 'Oliver! 'the musical at Kildysart Community Centre on the 15th, 16th and 17th December at 8 p.m. Tickets can be booked in advance 0656832300.

Christmas Ceili

Christmas Ceili on Saturday night 16th December at Teach Ceoil Kilrush. Dancing from 9pm—12. Music by Sliabh Aughty Group. Admission €10 Hosted by Inis Cathaigh C.C.E.

Christmas Day Charity Swim At Cappa

The annual Christmas Day Charity Swim will take place on Christmas morning 25th December at 10.30am at Cappa Pier. Proceeds from this year's swim will be going to West Clare Cancer and Kilrush RNLI Lifeboats. Sponsor cards are available from Therese Young, contact 086 8717452. please support the swimmers on Christmas morning at 10.30am.

Christmas Events

Vandeleur Walled Garden Flower Demonstration — Thursday 14th December, in Teach Cheoil, Kilrush at 7.30pm Get into the festive spirit with our annual Christmas Flower Demonstration. Join us for a beautiful demonstration led by the talented Phil. Delight in a festive candlelit evening with live singing by Marie, Teresa, and Ciara. We also have delicious, mulled wine and mouthwatering mince pies for you to enjoy. Tickets are just €25

Christmas Markets

Christmas Markets at The Vandeleur Walled Garden & Visitor Centre Saturday, 16th December 2023, 11am-4pm This year's markets promise to be a wonderful celebration of unique local Christmas goods and crafts. Due to parking restrictions a free shuttle bus will operate every 20 mins from Kilrush Town Square from 11am

West Clare Turkey Run

Vandeleur Woods, Kilrush, St. Stephen's Day. Please join us for our charity 5K Fun jog, walk, crawl on St. Stephen's Day at 11am sharp. Voluntary contributions welcome on the morning, our beneficiary is Kilrush St. Patrick's Day Festival.

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