

# Parish of Kilmovee

*“A family of families”*

*Church of the  
Immaculate  
Conception,  
Kilmovee*

*St. Joseph's Church  
Urlaur*



*St. Celsus' Church,  
Kilkelly*

*St. Patrick's Church,  
Glann*

## MISSION STATEMENT



**T**he Parish of Kilmovee is a Christian Community, committed to making everyone welcome through meeting in liturgy, prayer and friendship as we bear witness to the love and compassion of Jesus Christ. *Fáilte roimh gach éinne.*



### 1st Sunday of Advent – 30th November 2014

## ***THERE HAS TO BE MORE TO IT THAN THIS***

*It's fair to say that the "TOY SHOW" remains a memory for most of us. We looked at it with a sense of excitement and it was, in many ways, a lovely family occasion. You saw there, things that you'd dream about and hope for but with an unstated awareness you'd not get "this year". It didn't matter though. There was something about it that made it very special and, in many ways, essential viewing.*



*Maybe it's just me, but it seems to have changed a lot in recent times. It's more than just change of presenters. It seems to be about self-promotion of one kind or another - from the fleeting visits or cameo appearances of "pop stars" to the cringe-inducing antics of the "ganzee man" himself who, in all fairness, gives it all he has. There seems, nonetheless to be a need to promote this "event" in a way I don't recall from the past. We just seemed to know the "TOY SHOW" would be on and that was it. Now it's a news item - we are virtually dragged into the studio with wall to wall coverage of the upcoming festival and it's hailed as the beginning of Christmas.*

*I hope it's not that I've grown too old to enjoy something like this. It's likely that children still sense the excitement but, to be honest, I'm not so sure. We seem to have lost a lot somewhere along the way. Is it innocence? That may well be the reality of our loss but a deeper question, and that's the reason for these words being here, is it Faith?*

*Has "BLACK FRIDAY" replaced GOOD FRIDAY? Has the Toy Show and the constant bombardment of advertising that wants us to think it's Christmas Eve, with just five minutes left before shops close, replaced Advent?*

*The answer is "NO". The Advent Wreath is before us, the journey is beginning a-fresh and we'll take it all with us to the door and straw of the Bethlehem Stable and, on Christmas Day, we'll rejoice in the opened presents and the Birth of our Saviour.*



### **PLEASE PRAY FOR**

Please pray for Winnie Keane, Urlaur who has died (Funeral Arrangements later) Bridget (Bridie) Walsh, Bridge Street, Eamonn Coffey, Philadelphia (late of Magheraboy), Pat Davey, Culfadda (uncle of Marie Regan) and all whose anniversaries occur around this time. May they rest in peace. Amen.

### **MANY VOICES OF KILMOVEE**

"Many Voices Kilmooev" a new singing group has started in Kilmooev. If you have an interest in singing come along to rehearsals on Wednesdays from 8-9pm in Kilmooev Community Centre. All age groups catered for - €2 per person. Further Information from Kilmooev Community Centre 094 9649484

### **ST VINCENT DE PAUL**

The local Conference of St. Vincent de Paul Society would like to say a sincere thank you for all contributions to last weekend's collection, €992 was collected.

### **BLESSED SACRAMENT**

Have you considered giving one hour a week to Eucharistic Adoration? We have had Eucharistic Adoration for over twelve months now and it has been well received. We are very grateful to all who commit to one hour a week in one of our churches. Additional "adorers" are always welcome so if you've ever thought about it, think about it now and get in contact. It would be good to have a few more on this journey of prayer.

### **ST. MARY'S LADIES G.A.A.**

St. Mary's ladies GAA are hosting a sponsored Christmas 5k walk on Sunday 7th December 2014 at 1pm in Aghamore village followed by a raffle and refreshments in Moran's pub, music by Mary Kathleen. All family members are welcome to attend.

### **SENIOR CITIZENS CHRISTMAS DINNER**

The Bingo Committee is hosting the Annual Kilmooev Senior Citizens Christmas Dinner on December 14th in Kilmooev Community Centre. A great day is ensured with Dinner, drinks and entertainment. Cost is €5 per person, booking is essential before December 8th by ringing Nuala on 094 9649484 or calling into the Community Centre.

### **HERITAGE NIGHT**

The next heritage night in 'Cois Tine' heritage centre will take place on Monday night December 1st from 8pm - 11pm. As this is the final heritage night for 2014 you are all invited to come along to celebrate another successful year at 'Cois Tine'. Local and visiting musicians, singers dancers and storytellers will be attend on the night. Homemade traditional food and some festive goodies will be served with the usual cupan tae. A raffle will be held with lots of prizes up for grabs. Admission is free. All are welcome.

### **YOUTH 2000**

Youth 2000 Ireland will be hosting their annual Christmas Retreat in Newbridge College, Newbridge, Co. Kildare from Friday 12th to Sunday 14th December 2014. Over 500 young people from across Ireland (aged 16-35) are expected at this donation only event, with all newcomers very welcome. This is a great opportunity to find out what your faith is all about in a friendly, chilled out atmosphere. Free buses available. Online booking necessary, see [www.youth2000.ie](http://www.youth2000.ie) or phone 01 6753690.

### **MAYO STOMA GROUP**

Mayo Stoma Group are having their Christmas dinner at the Bay Leaf Restaurant in Horkan's Garden centre, Turlough on Saturday 6th December at 2.30pm. Special guest will attend. Phone 094 9038407 to confirm.

### **MAYO TABLE TENNIS**

Mayo Table Tennis Academy have a Membership evening next Wednesday 3rd December, in St. Louis School Kiltimagh at 7pm in the GYM. New members welcome. An evening for players to speak to coaches about the Sport and parents are also welcome.

### **KILMOVEE SHAMROCKS**

The lotto results for Saturday 22 November were 6,18,19,26. There was no winner. The jackpot now stands at €6,500. The lotto has just started for 2015 so anyone wishing to enter may do so. Lotto tickets available from club officers.

### **FOOTSTEPS CLOTHES COLLECTION**

There will be a clothing recycling drive at Footsteps Childcare on Friday 19th December at 9am. Bags of clothes, shoes, handbags, belts, towels, linens, curtains, phones, books and soft toys, etc. can be dropped off anytime from now until 19th Dec. Monies raised go toward materials for our camps throughout the year. Thanking you in advance.

### **KNOCK MARKET**

Kick start your Christmas at Knock Christmas Market on 7th Dec at Knock House Hotel 1-5pm. Come along and bring the family where you can get all your Christmas shopping under one roof. With mulled wine and mince pie reception we promise it to be a great day. Contact Leonie @ 086-8486924 or visit our facebook page 'Knock Christmas Market'.

### **KILMOVEE LADIES CLUB**

Kilmooev Ladies Club Christmas Party will be on Wednesday 10th December at 7.30pm. Please bring a plate of food for a shred supper. Members €3 and guests €5. All welcome.

### **SPECIAL VISITOR**

Kilmooev National School Parents Association has been notified that Santa will be coming to the Kilmooev Community Centre on Saturday 6th December from 2pm-5pm. He has told us he will be there at 2pm sharp, so be early to welcome him. Admission is €5 and there will be a raffle on the day.

### **CEOLARAS COLEMAN**

Ceolaras Coleman: PJ Hernon & Family in concert on Saturday, December 6th at 9pm. Booking: 071 9182599

### **KILKELLY GARDA**

A reminder that the Garda Station, Kilkelly will be open every Wednesday from 6pm-7.30pm

## **MINISTRIES NEXT WEEK**

### **URLAUR:**

SS Reader: Breege Grennan  
Eucharist: Peadar Grennan  
Offertory: Nyland Family  
Servers: Volunteers

### **KILMOVEE:**

SS Reader: Carmel Loftus  
Eucharist: Ann Marie Rooney  
Offertory: Caulfield Family  
Servers: K Roddy, N McDermott,  
A Moffatt, R Haran

### **GLANN:**

SS Reader: Shelia Harrington  
Eucharist: Sadie Dunleavy  
Offertory: Keane Family  
Servers: Z. Loftus & A. Towey

### **KILKELLY:**

SS Reader: Mary Kelly  
Eucharist: Marian Cafferkey  
Offertory: Cawley Family  
Servers: A. Devine & K. Dunleavy

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## **PRAYING FOR DIOCESE "YEAR OF PRAYER"**

Swinford is the focus parish of our prayer for this week. God waits and nature waits. God is always waiting for us, waiting to be gracious to us, waiting for our hearts to open and allow him show us his goodness, his forgiveness, his love. Nature waits, it gives time for seeds and plants and fruits to grow and waits for harvest time to reap earth's abundance. God waits, nature waits, so must we. Waiting challenges us to realise our dependence, dependence on God, dependence on others. For many this is too much and their waiting becomes an exercise in irritation, an occasion of anger and frustration but waiting, with calmness and serenity, is a creative, a positive, a fulfilling experience. Waiting is an exercise in patience, a challenge to still the eagerness to pull the future into the present; to change the pace of time. Advent is a season of waiting. It invites us to learn the art of waiting, to practise the virtue of patience, to remember with gratitude those who waited for the coming of the Messiah, the prophets, the holy men and women, the Simeons', the Annas', the Marys, the Josephs of Old Testament times, those who filled their waiting with prayer and joyful hope. As the people of the Old Testament waited in prayer for God's graciousness to show itself so are we, in praying for our diocese, waiting

for a rebirth of God's Spirit in our hearts, our parishes and our diocese. May our waiting be patient in the awareness that nothing worthwhile in life is sudden.

## **CONCERT DATE**

The concert preparations are well advanced. We are grateful to the men and women of Mayo Concert Orchestra and their conductor, George Lee, who have pushed forward their "finish time" for the year to facilitate a special evening of music in Urlaur Church on Wednesday December 17th at 8pm. Proceeds from the night will be shared between Kilmovee Meals on Wheels and Hill View Lodge. It will be a very enjoyable night with a difference and we hope many will come along, enjoy the music and support our chosen charities. For more info on the orchestra check out [mayoconcertorchestra.ie](http://mayoconcertorchestra.ie)



Archbishop Eamon Martin has launched a specially commissioned 2014 Advent calendar on the homepage of the Irish Catholic bishops' on the website of the Irish Bishops' Conference to commence Sunday 30 November. The address is [www.catholicbishops.ie](http://www.catholicbishops.ie) There will be many resources on this site that may be of spiritual help to us all as we prepare for Christmas. These include a "Thought for The Day" linked to each day of the Advent Season.

## **HELPING CHILDREN**

A charity fundraising event for Orphaned Street Children In Ethiopia with bestselling author Lorna Byrne [Angels in my Hair and Love from Heaven]. Lorna will be in conversation with Gerry Glennon from Mid West Radio on Saturday, December 13th at the St. Aloysius Church, Breaffy, Castlebar, 3pm - 5pm. Tickets are €10 which can be purchased from Downtown Records, Main St, Castlebar, Tel: (094) 9022312 and Downtown Records, Bridge St., Westport, Tel (098)

26841. All funds raised go to APA - an Irish charity dedicated to helping those affected by the AIDS pandemic.

## **FIRST FRIDAY**

The usual monthly visitation of the sick and housebound takes place during the week to coincide with the First Friday of December. Please feel free to let us know if you, a family member or neighbour would like to be included in our calls.

## **NOVEMBER ROSARY**

The Rosary will be prayed on this Sunday afternoon at 3pm in St Brigid's Cemetery, Urlaur as part of our November Prayers for the Faithful Departed.

## **REMEMBRANCE SERVICE**

Thanks to all the members of the Parish Pastoral Council who did so much to prepare for and to make last Sunday's Remembrance Service a very special gathering. Thanks to all who came along and joined us in prayer.

## **PARENTS' MEETINGS**

Apologies for the delay in setting dates for meetings with parents to help prepare for Confirmation and First Holy Communion. We will finalise a suitable date this week, in consultation with the classroom teachers or those preparing for these special sacraments and have a date ready for next week's bulletin. We hope that our parish's preparation for these sacraments, coupled with the fine work done by the teachers in our three schools and crowned with a lively faith in the home will help our young people come to know God at a deep and personal level in their lives. For this, we all pray and for this we will all work together.

## **THE LIGHT IS ON**

It is hoped to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation in all Parish Churches of the Diocese on Sunday March 21st between 5pm-6pm. Further details later.

## **CHRISTMAS FAIR**

Aghamore Community Development are having its Christmas fair on Sunday 14th of December starting at 1 30 pm. there will be wide range of stalls displaying its products. Santa will be arriving at 2 O'Clock and will meet all the kids. There will be refreshments available throughout day.



# CHURCH DIARY THIS WEEK

## Church of the Immaculate Conception, Kilmovee

Sunday 30th November	10.00am	Charlie and Nora Rooney.
Monday 1st December		<b>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</b>
Monday 1st December	10.00am	People of the Parish
Tuesday 2nd December	10.00am	Tommy, Eamonn Coffey, parents Bridget and Jim and deceased fam, Magheraboy
Wednesday 3rd December	10.00am	John and Mary Caulfield, Carralackey
Thursday 4th December	10.00am	Padraig Horan, Clooniron
Friday 5th December	8.00pm	P.J. and Kathleen Duffy and family. (Holy Hour from 7pm)
Saturday 6th December	10.00am	James Horan, Culgarriiff
Sunday 7th December	10.00am	Peter and Joe Caulfield, Carralackey

## St Joseph's Church Urlaur

Saturday 29th November	7.00pm	Holy Souls
Sunday 30th November	3.00pm	Rosary in St. Bridget's Cemetery
Wednesday 3rd December	5pm-10pm	<b>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</b>
Friday 5th December	10.00am	Donor's Intention
Saturday 6th December	7.00pm	Seamie Nyland, Glann.

## St Celsus' Church, Kilkelly

Sunday 30th November	11.15am	Francis & Bernard Dunleavy, Shammer
Tuesday 2nd December	9.00am	Holy Souls
Wednesday 3rd December	9.00am	Holy Souls
Wednesday 3rd December		<b>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</b>
Thursday 4th December	9.00am	Holy Souls
Friday 5th December	8.00pm	Grennan & Fagan Families
Sunday 7th December	11.15am	Dermot & Nuala Cawley, Kilkelly

## St Patrick's Church, Glann

Saturday 29th November	8.00pm	Monica & Roweena Casey, Glann
Monday 1st December		<b>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</b>
Monday 1st December	8.00pm	Thomas & Mary Flatley, Glann
Friday 5th December	10.00am	Holy Souls
Saturday 6th December	8.00pm	Michael, Mary & Francis Keane, Sinolane

### PRIESTS OF THE PARISH

Fr Vincent Sherlock: 094-964 9137  
Fr John Maloney: 094-936 7031

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www.kilmoveeparish.com

### PRIMARY SCHOOLS

Kilmovee NS: 094-986 1282  
Kilkelly NS: 094-936 7371  
Tavrane NS: 094-964 9065

### PARISH BULLETIN

Please submit items via email if possible, including contact details, by Thursday evening.

### ST VINCENT DE PAUL

Contact Number: 086-372 5256  
Monday to Friday 3pm-7pm

## PARISH AND DIOCESAN

### SAFEGUARDING POLICY

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