

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*

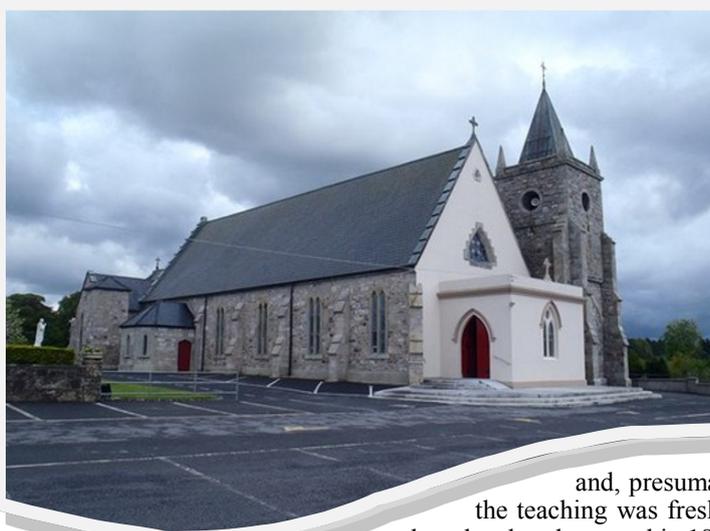
MISSION STATEMENT



The 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.*



2nd Sunday of Advent – 7th December 2014



OUR PARISH CHURCH

This week, on December 8th, we celebrate the Feast of The Immaculate Conception. This is the name given to our Parish Church in Kilmovee. It is then, in many ways, our Parish Feast Day. Are we doing anything to mark it as such? No! Maybe it's enough just to mention it, to put before us again the choice made by those who named our Parish Church. Why did they choose that name?

Undoubtedly it had something to do with the fact that the Dogma of The Immaculate Conception (stating that Our Lady was sinless from the very moment of her conception) was put forward in 1854, just five years before our church was built and, presumably, during the time of it being built. It's fair to say the teaching was fresh in the minds of the priests and people of Kilmovee when the church opened in 1859 and appropriate that this name be chosen.

We might do well to remember those who built our church, those who blessed it and worshipped here from its earliest days. What legacy did they wish to leave for us? A large building? A name from the past? A title for our Lady or a dogma that we scarcely remember? Of course not! They wanted to leave us a place to worship - a place we could call our own and know to be a place of welcome and a House of Prayer.

Thankfully we've not forgotten and we continue to serve the needs of this church as best we can. It's not meant to be a building to be admired from a distance or just visited on rare occasions but an active part of all we are and seek to be. A lot has happened since 1859 - one hundred and fifty five years of happenings - but thankfully much has remained constant, not least our Parish Church and the decency of our people.

We rejoice in this truth.



PLEASE PRAY FOR

Please pray for Rosemary Horan, Glann and all whose anniversaries occur around this time. May they rest in peace. Amen.

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 Kilmovee Senior Citizens Christmas Dinner on December 14th in Kilmovee Community Centre. A great day is assured with Dinner, drinks and entertainment. Cost is €5 per person, booking is essential before December 8th by ringing Nuala on 094 9649484 or calling in to 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 or phone 01 6753690.

KILMOVEE SHAMROCKS

The lotto numbers drawn for Saturday November 29th were 8,18,28,35. There was no winner. The jackpot now stands at €6550. Thanks to all who attended the club AGM recently. We welcome the new officers and members in the club. The officers are Chairperson Tom Haran, Secretary Anne Sweeney and treasurer Geraldine Duffy. The monthly meeting of the Club takes place on Tuesday 9th December at 9pm in the club house.

FRIST HOLY COMMUNION 2015

First Holy Communion will be celebrated in the parish on the following dates: Saturday 25th April in St. Patrick's Church, Glann, and on Sunday 26th April in the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Kilmovee and St. Celsus' Church, Kilkelly. *(We are having the Parish Celebration of these Sacraments a little earlier than usual due to the celebration of Confirmation in May).*

KILMOVEE COMMUNITY ALERT E.G.M

Due to the low turn out at the AGM of Kilmovee/Urlaur community alert a committee could not be formed. An EGM will take place on Thurs 11th Decemberr in Kilmovee Community Centre at 8.30pm. It is vital that people attend otherwise the group will have to cease which would be a great loss to the area. It will be possible on the night to join the text alert system which is free, recently set up by the group in the community.

MAYO CONCERT SUPPORT BOOK OF POETRY

"The Courage to Carry On" a collection of positive poetry about cancer will be launched by Mayo footballer and all-star Aiden O'Shea in the Walnut Suite of the Plaza Hotel, Westport on Tuesday 9th December at 7pm. All Proceeds to Rock Rose House, Castlebar. Cheese & Wine reception. All are Welcome

PARENTS' MEETINGS

Meetings for the parents of those preparing for First Holy Communion and Confirmation in 2015 will take place early in the New Year. We are hoping, this year, to arrange some meetings with parents to coincide with the work being done in schools with the First Holy Communion Class and to run again the "You Shall Be My Witnesses" programme with the Confirmation classes in our three schools. More details in early January. In the meantime, we wish to encourage all parents and guardians to speak with their children about the Sacraments they are preparing for. Pray with them about too and share your own memories and appreciation of these sacraments in your own lives. We are all in this together and the more we can do together the better. May God bless all involved this year.



WESTERN CARE

Many thanks to all who contributed so generously to the annual western care door to door collection of May 2014. Amount collected £5,386.00. A special word of thanks to all the loyal collectors, your continued support is greatly appreciated.

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.

KILMOVEE LADIES CLUB

Kilmovee 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.

SCHOOL CONCERT

Kilmovee NS presents a Christmas Concert on Friday next at 8pm in Kilmovee Community Centre. It promises to be an enjoyable event and all are welcome. We wish all involved every success and hope they have a great time.

MINISTRIES NEXT WEEK

URLAUR:

SS Reader: Michaela Boland
Eucharist: Alex McDonnell
Offertory: Keegan Family
Servers: Volunteers

KILMOVEE:

SS Reader: Winifred Rushe
Eucharist: Mary Roddy
Offertory: Hunt Family
Servers: A Hunt, D Duffy, C Roddy,
A Roddy, K Golden

GLANN:

SS Reader: Tina Coakley
Eucharist: Mary T Duffy
Offertory: Cox Family
Servers: A. Henry & C. Gallagher

KILKELLY:

SS Reader: Ivan Leetch
Eucharist: Rita Walsh
Offertory: Harrison Family
Servers: L. Kelly & L. Cassidy

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PRAYING FOR DIOCESE "YEAR OF PRAYER"

Tourlestrane is the focus parish of our prayer for this week. God loves each one of us with an amazing, an incredible love and God's desire is that we recognise and appreciate that reality. But how do we do that! How do we get to the point where we can answer the question, 'Who do you say that I am', like St. Peter who had no hesitation in replying, 'You are the Christ, the Divine Son of God.' How did Peter arrive at this knowledge. I believe Peter came to this knowledge through the passage of time spent in the presence of Jesus, just being with Him. He had a personal experience of Jesus as his Saviour. He was a bit like the American who wanted to be buried with his pick-up truck. His solicitor asked him why he replied, because that truck got me out of many's the hole. Jesus, in a sense, is like that pick-up truck, he rescues us so often from the pits and problems into which we fall. *He invites us to come to him with our labours and our burdens and experience his rest ... to shoulder our yoke and learn from him and in this way find rest for our souls.* Time spent in the presence of Jesus is prayer, getting to know God. As we gradually reveal ourselves to him he reveals himself to us. We are praying for our diocese because ... when we bring our daily lives to God we learn to reflect on

the ordinary, everyday events of our lives and slowly discover there the guiding hand of God.

URLAUR CONCERT

There will be a concert in Urlaur Church on Wednesday December 17th at 8pm. Proceeds from the night will be shared between Kilmovee Meals on Wheels and Highland Lodge. Admission is free but tickets are on sale for a raffle that will take place on the night. These may be purchased in advance or on the night. All support appreciated but it is truly hoped this will be a well attended and enjoyed event in our parish. Spread the word and extend the invitation!

THE LIGHT IS ON

Confessions will be available in our Parish Church and other parish churches of the Diocese on Sunday December 21st from 5pm-6pm. Please make time to come along and celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation as we draw near Christmas.

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.

STAMP COLLECTION

Boxes will be placed in our churches to collect stamps to be sent to Missionary Orders to help with their funding. If you have stamps please leave them in one of the churches.

RÓISÍN TANSEY FUND

Róisín Tansey Fund Raffle Tickets, €5 each or book of 5 for €20 Date of draw: Sunday night January 4th 2015. Venue: The Four ways, Kilmovee, Co. Mayo Prizes: 1st - Flat Screen TV. 2nd - iPad mini. 3rd - €300. 4th - €200. 5th - €100. All support welcome. Roisin's story is on www.roisintanseyfund.com

CAROL SINGING & PUPPET MAKING

Kilmovee FRC have organised little gem puppets for an hour of puppet making and carol singing on Friday Dec 19th from 3-4pm . It is for children up to 12yr .Parents are welcome to stay and help especially

where children are small and may need a bit of help. The cost is €3 per child of €5 family. Booking is essential at Kilmovee FRC on 0949649814

KILKELLY I.C.A.

The monthly meeting of Kilkelly I.C.A. Will be held on Tuesday 9th December at 8 o'clock in Kilkelly Community Centre. All are welcome.

CHRISTMAS FOOD APPEAL

Last year the Parish Pastoral Council organised a Food Appeal in the Parish and it was very well received and supported. It is hoped to repeat this again this Christmas. Boxes will be available in our Churches, some local shops and in Kilmovee Community Centre where people are asked to donate some food items that may be used during the Christmas Season. The donated items should be non-perishable and will be distributed within the community. Please note this is a **FOOD APPEAL** so toys are not included. Many thanks, in advance, for your kind support.

URLAUR CHOIR

There will be a meeting in Urlaur Church on Saturday **next** after the Vigil Mass to explore the possibility of putting some music and song in place for Christmas (and, please God, longer!!). If you've already been involved or would like to lend your voice and support please join the "conversation". We won't spend too long but, hopefully long enough, to have a plan in place. All (in the widest possible sense of the word!!) are welcome.

CHRISTMAS IN WORD AND SONG

You are invited to reflect and pray through scripture and song on the coming of Jesus with the **Galilee Community** (beside the "Horse" on the Curlews on Boyle-Sligo Road) on Thursday, December 18th at 8pm. Followed by light refreshments. See www.galilee.ie for further details on the venue and work done there.

PHOTOGRAPHIC EXHIBITION

Photographic Exhibition in Phoenix Youth Centre Sunday and Monday 7th and 8th December from 12 - 4pm. Work of local photographers with a local flavour. All welcome.



CHURCH DIARY THIS WEEK

Church of the Immaculate Conception, Kilmovee

Sunday 7th December 10.00am
 Monday 8th December 10.00am
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 Tuesday 9th December 10.00am
 Wednesday 10th December 10.00am
 Thursday 11th December 10.00am
 Friday 12th December 10.00am
 Saturday 13th December 10.00am
 Sunday 14th December 10.00am

Peter and Joe Caulfield, Carralacky
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Feast of the Immaculate Conception (People of the Parish)
 Donor's Intention
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 No Morning Mass
 Donor's Intention
 Mikie Duffy, Clooncara
 Mike Hunt, Sraheens

St Joseph's Church Urlaur

Saturday 6th December 7.00pm
Monday 8th December 7.00pm
 Wednesday 10th December 5pm-10pm
 Saturday 13th December 7.00pm

Seamie Nyland, Glann
Feast of the Immaculate Conception
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
 John Keegan and father Paddy.

St Celsus' Church, Kilkelly

Sunday 7th December 11.15am
Monday 8th December 11.15am
 Tuesday 9th December 9.00am
 Wednesday 10th December 9.00am
 Wednesday 10th December 9.00am
 Thursday 11th December 9.00am
 Friday 12th December 8.00pm
 Saturday 13th December 11.00am
 Sunday 14th December 11.15am

Dermot & Nuala Cawley, Kilkelly
Feast of the Immaculate Conception
 Holy Souls
 Holy Souls
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
 Deceased of the Kernaghan Family
 Luke Harrison, Shammer
 Stephan Tarpey, The Square, 1st Anniversary
 Martin Harrison, Kilkelly

St Patrick's Church, Glann

Saturday 6th December 8.00pm
 Monday 8th December 8.00pm
Monday 8th December 8.00pm
 Saturday 13th December 8.00pm

Michael, Mary & Francis Keane, Sinolane
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 7.30pm
Feast of the Immaculate Conception
 Patrick & Philomena Cox, Tavrane

PRIESTS OF THE PARISH

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

PRIMARY SCHOOLS

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

PARISH EMAIL

kilmoveeparish@achonrydiocese.org

PARISH BULLETIN

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

PARISH AND DIOCESAN

SAFEGUARDING POLICY

www.achonrydiocese.org/safeguarding-policy

PARISH WEBSITE

www.kilmoveeparish.com

ST VINCENT DE PAUL

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

