

Parish of Kilmovee

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.



3rd January 2021

SECOND SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS



LOCKDOWN IN OUR PARISH

As we know, we will be in “lockdown” with Level 5 Restrictions until the end of the month, at the earliest. This is of course very disappointing but understandable too, given the seriousness of our situation and the absolute urgency of protecting lives and promoting awareness of the challenges to lifestyle that COVID-19 brings.

For us, this means that our Masses will be “ON-LINE” with the exception of Funeral Masses where no more than ten people may be present. There will be daily Mass at 9.30pm (Monday to Friday) with weekend Masses at 6.30pm on Saturday and 10.00am on Sunday. These Masses may be viewed live or, if need be, at a later time as they will be published each day on the Parish Website and are also available on our Parish Facebook page.

Most nights we will have Night Prayer (around 10pm) and again you may join on-line for this short time of prayer each night. Might try to find some other opportunities to share some prayer time on line during the month.

Churches will be open during the day for private visits and prayers. Please feel free and welcome to drop in.

Baptisms, except in cases of emergency, are to be postponed and monthly visitations to the sick, elderly and housebound are not recommended with the exception of cases of emergency.

Do not hesitate to contact me, if there is anything that I can help you with at any stage.



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Rest in Peace

PLEASE PRAY FOR

We remember in prayer at this time all who died recently and all whose anniversaries occur around this time. May they rest in peace.

ADORATION

There will not be Eucharistic Adoration this week. We will have update for next week as to whether or not it is advisable to organise gathering at this time. Many thanks to all who give so freely of their time each week. Thanks also to those who set up for and organise the weekly adoration.

RECENTLY BAPTISED

Congratulations to the following children who were baptised recently, **Síofra and Mananánn Furey-Sheedy**, Sinolane and to **Caragh Cooney**, Culliagh. We wish them every blessing in life and congratulate their families at this special time.

GETTING MARRIED

For those planning marriage in 2021 or who had to postpone marriages arranged for 2020, please confirm dates as soon as possible. If the date you had planned for your wedding is more than six months passed, you will need to contact the Register of Marriages to finalise new date. Pre-Marriage Courses, offered by ACCORD, are for the time being “on-line” courses. Please see accord.ie for details.

NOT LOCKED DOWN!

Please remember that, as your priest, I am here for you at this time. Do not hesitate to call if you need me to visit your home for any reason. This can be done, whilst observing the COVID-19 guidelines.

THANK YOU

Beginning a New Year is a reminder to us all to express thanks to those who have journeyed with us and made a difference in our lives in the year that has come to a close. With that in mind, on a personal note and on behalf of the parish it seems timely to express gratitude to groups and individuals within the parish who have been helpful to us all throughout 2020.

A word of thanks to our sacristans in Kilmovee, Kilkelly, Urlaur and Glann who do so much to ensure that all that is needed in our churches is there for us. Thanks to Marie, Paddy, Mike and the “Sacristy Team” in Glann who do so much. Thanks to those who help them throughout the year and, in particular I would like to thank both Tina and Ivan who did so much additional work around Kilkelly Church during this past year with its specific challenges for us all. I am thankful also to all who have helped in Kilmovee Church through weekly cleaning and care of the church.

Thanks to those who clean the churches, arrange the Altar, supply flowers and decorations. Thanks to those who helped with sanitizing and stewarding during those times we were able to be together in worship. Thanks to our choirs and musicians, Ministers of The Word and of Eucharist, to counters and collectors and all who help in such a wide variety of ways. Thanks to those on Community Employment Schemes who do so much essential work around our church buildings, repairing, power-washing, taking care of refuse etc. Thanks to Kilmovee Community Centre, Kilmovee FRC and Kilkelly FRC for going the extra mile for so many during the year.

Though for most of the year we have not had Altar Servers, I am thankful to those who Serve Mass in our four churches and I truly look forward to us getting back to doing this before long. You bring life to the church that has been sadly absent in recent months.

Thanks to our teachers, members of Boards of Management and the wider school community for rising to the particular challenges 2020 brought to us all. Thanks to our Parish Pastoral Council, who have consistently been there for me as a support and who have shown great willingness to promote the faith life of our parish.

In 2020, we had a number of additional projects in the parish, including major works carried out on the roof of Kilkelly Church and the installation of a webcam in Kilmovee Parish Church. These brought costs to us that had not been anticipated and I was truly humbled by the way so many of you responded, through donations and generosity. Many, many thanks.

The weekly newsletter is an important part of our parish communication and I am thankful to all who help with it, through the submission of items for inclusion, proof-reading and, on occasion, printing and copying.

Finally, thank you to you as you read these words. You are reading them because you have an interest in and involvement with this parish. In that regard, you are “parish” and I am so thankful to you and all who call this parish home. You are the reason the parish exists and, whatever part you play, is central. In thanking you, I encourage you to keep up that contact and to continue to make our parish a “family of families”.

God bless you now and always,



HAVE YOU NEWSLETTER ITEMS FOR INCLUSION?

As we return to more regular times, please feel free to submit items. Email news@kilmoveeparish.org



At this time each year, we publish the Parish Statistics for the previous year. Like every other area of life, 2020 laid down its own rules. Marriages arranged for celebration during the year were all postponed and will, please God, be celebrated this year. Our First Holy Communion Day was postponed too and took place much later than would ordinarily be the case. Yet we did live as parish during the year and tried to continue as best we could.

BAPTISMS:	11
DEATHS:	20
FIRST HOLY COMMUNION:	17
MARRIAGES	1

One of the numbers that really increased this year lies in the “virtual parish” that sprung up around COVID-19. People from all over the country and from many parts of the world joined us in prayer and parish celebrations during the year. On one Sunday, the visits to our parish website went from somewhere in the 150-300 mark to upwards of 4000! Each week, between Facebook and our Parish Website around 1500 people join us consistently in prayer. On occasions the numbers have been higher. This has been truly amazing and, in many ways, a blessing.

Behind each of these statistics we recognise the existence of human life in its relationship with The Divine. Our thoughts are with all those who celebrated sacraments this year and our prayers are very much with the twenty people who died and those left to grieve their loss around a kitchen table this year. May God be close to the living and grant Eternal Rest to the dead.

EPIPHANY

On Wednesday next, the Feast of the Epiphany, there will be a short “on-line” time of prayer at the Crib. We will focus on the arrival of the Three Kings and the gifts they bring. Please join if you can. This will be on our Parish Facebook page facebook.com/parishofkilmovee and also available on our parish website kilmoveeparish.org It will be at **8.00pm** and will last no more than a half hour.



These are words from a message of Pope Francis as we begin the New Year.

To be happy is to let live the creature that lives in each of us, free, joyful and simple. It is to have maturity to be able to say: "I made mistakes". It is to have the courage to say "I am sorry". It is to have the sensitivity to say, "I need you". It is to have the ability to say "I love you". May your life become a garden of opportunities for happiness ... That in spring may it be a lover of joy. In winter a lover of wisdom. And when you make a mistake, start all over again. For only then will you be in love with life. You will find that to be happy is not to have a perfect life. But use the tears to irrigate tolerance. Use your losses to train patience. Use your mistakes to sculptor serenity. Use pain to plaster pleasure. Use obstacles to open windows of intelligence. Never give up Never give up on people who love you. Never give up on happiness, for life is an incredible show. Happy new year!

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES 2021 AND ON-LINE DONATIONS

Thank you to all who have collected their Offertory Boxes for 2021. If you have yet to do so, please call to the churches when you can. We will leave the boxes for collection for a little longer than we usually do. If you are in a position to bring a box to a family member or neighbour, you might consider doing so. As mentioned before Christmas the Diocese of Achonry has set in place an “ON-LINE” Donation facility. Here you select your parish, the reason for the donation and make an on-line contribution. The diocese will forward your contribution to the parish. You can contribute to the Offertory Collection, Priest’s Collection etc. There is a link to this on our Parish Website, kilmovee.org/donation Please note this is not intended as an additional contribution but rather one to replace your contribution when unable to attend church. Should you prefer to make your regular donation in this way, that is an option too. You can select to make a once off donation or set up a recurring donation for weekly, monthly intervals etc. If you are doing this, please include your Envelope Number when completing the On-Line Donation. Thank you.



PARISH LITURGY DIARY

MASSES DURING THE WEEK

“joining together in continuous prayer”

CHURCH	DATE	TIME	INTENTION
online	Saturday 2nd	6.30pm	Teresa Grennan, Cullgarriif (1st Anniversary)
			Martin and Bridget Moran
	Sunday 3rd	10.00am	Laurence Rush, Magheraboy (1st Anniversary)
			Joe Glavey, Kilkelly
	Monday 4th	9.30am	The Fegarido Family, Philippines
	Tuesday 5th	9.30am	Margaret and John Ahern and Mary and Patrick McKenzie
	Wednesday 6th	9.30am	Feast of The Epiphany
	Thursday 7th	9.30am	Paddy and Mary Gormally, Clonberne Anthony and Agnes McDermott, Barnaciuge Gina Gormally, Manchester. Months Mind
	Friday 8th	9.30am	Micheál Griffin, Egool
	Saturday 9th	6.30pm	People of The Parish Maureen and Paddy Duffy, Cloonamna
Sunday 10th	10.00am	Shirley Hunt, Rathnagussane 1st Anniversary Deceased of Hunt and McGuinness Families Mary Mahady-O'Grady, Riverview	

Parish Cam



MASSES STREAMED VIA WEB
Mass each day will be streamed live via our
Parish Webcam at kilmoveeparish.org/webcam
and facebook.com/parishofkilmovee
and daily Video Recording will be available
on kilmoveeparish.org/dailymass

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