

**KILRUSH PARISH NEWSLETTER— SUNDAY 21ST DECEMBER 2024
INIS CATHAIGH PASTORAL AREA**



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BASKET & ENVELOPE COLLECTIONS 15/12/24
Basket: €735 **Envelope:** €880 **Online:** €60

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS ROTA

Sat 21st Dec @ 6.30pm Caroline Bolton, Fiona Honan

Sun 22nd Dec @ 9am Joan Lyons

12noon Ann Vaughan, Seamus Burke

Sat 28th Dec @ 6.30pm Stephanie Roughan, Susanne O'Shea

Sun 29th Dec @ 9am Anne O'Donoghue

12noon Carol Clynch, Dolores Blunnie



**ADORATION CHAPEL
OPENING HOURS**

The Adoration Chapel will be closed ALL Christmas week & will re-open on Thursday 2nd January 2025



EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

23/12 Ann Vaughan **30/12**

Loretta Maher **06/01** Mary

O'Mahony **13/01** Teresa Lyons

WEEKDAY READERS

23/12 Sr. Mary **30/12** Paddy

ADVENT PRAYER



Loving God, we seek you in both light & darkness, the silence & the sounds, the fullness & the emptiness of this Advent season. Fill our hearts with hope for your coming, love for those who are most in need, & faith in your promises. May this time of preparation help us celebrate the birth of your Son with deep gratitude & abundant joy. Amen

ADVENT WREATH

This week we welcome the **Cunningham Family** to light our Fourth Advent Candle on the advent wreath.

**CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES
CHRISTMAS EVE**

Tuesday 24th December

Family Mass @ 6pm

Christmas Eve Vigil @ 9pm

CHRISTMAS DAY

Wednesday 25th December

Mass @ 9am & 12noon

OH HOLY NIGHT



FENNEL FAMILY KNOCKERRA sincerely thank everyone for their kindness & generosity which made the fundraiser for the Kevin Bell Repatriation Trust a huge success. We raised almost €8,000. We would like to thank everyone who has supported us in any way during the last 6 months.

FESTIVAL OF CAROLS & LIGHTS

In St. Senan's Church, Kilrush this Sunday 22nd December @ 7pm. Please come along & join in the real spirit of Christmas. Everyone is welcome. ****PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF TIME****

NEW YEARS EVE CEREMONY

"Pray out the Old Year Pray in The New Year" Our parish will close the year 2024



on Tuesday 31st Dec with a special closing ceremony at 11.30pm in St. Senan's Church 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. If you could spare 35 minutes it would be the best way possible to start the New Year and to give thanks to God.

CHRISTMAS COLOURING COMPETION

Congratulations to the following winners:

Claire McMahon, John Ryan, Fiadh Fitzpatrick & Theo Anderson

Well done to everyone who took part this year.

RECENTLY MARRIED



Congratulations to

James Macken & Josepha Fox who were married on **6th December 2024**

&

Joseph Carmody & Eilley Kelleher

who were married on

14th December 2024



EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS-

ROTA FOR CHRISTMAS

6pm Mary & Brian Clancy

9pm Mary Watson, Stephanie

Roughan & Suzanne O'Shea

9am Joan Lyons & Anne

O'Donoghue

12noon Sr. Noreen, Carol Clynch

& Anne Vaughan

ENVELOPES 2025

Are now ready for distribution, those who usually help out with this are asked to call to the Sacristy after mass & collect same. We are grateful to everyone who helps out each year.



FEAST OF THE HOLY INNOCENTS

On Saturday 28th Dec we celebrate the feast of the Holy Innocents. On Saturday evening at 6.30pm we will honour & remember all babies who died during pregnancy, around the time of birth or after birth. The book with all the babies names will be presented at mass. A book will be placed in the church where the names can be written. Candles will be left on the altar for people to take away after mass. We extend a warm welcome to this special time of remembrance during the Christmas journey.

PLEASE NOTE Church Shop will be closed all Christmas week & will re-open on Wednesday 1st January

Parish Safeguarding Representatives: Aishling Horgan

REMEMBERED IN MASS THIS WEEK

Pray for: Veronica Shannon late of Kilmurry McMahon.

May she rest in peace

1st Anniversary Mass

Mary Grogan late of Ballyurra

Mass Sunday 22nd December @ 12noon

Gary Guerin late of Leadmore

Mass Sunday 29th December @ 12noon

Buddy Danaher late of St. Senan's Terrace

Mass Sunday 29th December @ 12noon

Months Mind Mass

Nancy Moynihan late of Cappa Drive

Mass Sunday 29th December @ 9am

Saturday 21st December

6.30pm

Jimmy & Nellie Grogan late of Nagles Terrace

Stephen & Eileen O'Brien late of Carnanes

Barry Nolan late of Carnanes

Senan Nolan late of Moore Street

Megan & Sean Clancy late of O'Gorman Street

Tony Hogan late of Dublin

Jim Clancy late of Parknamoney

Sunday 22nd December

9.00am

Nora Crowley late of Gowerhass

The Parker family late of Vancouver

12noon

Mary Grogan late of Ballyurra

Patrick Casey late of Kilkee Road

Sean & Mary Roche late of Vandeleur Street

Monday 23rd December—10.00am NO MASS

Tuesday 24th December—Christmas Eve

6pm

Family Mass

9pm

Christmas Vigil

Wednesday 25th December—Christmas Day

9am

12noon

Thursday 26th December—St. Stephan's Day

No Mass

Friday 27th December—10.00am

Sheila Glynn late of Leadmore

Christopher & Christina Dixon

Hogan & Enright Families

Phyllis Browne late of Kilrush & Knockerra

Saturday 28th December

6.30pm

Martina O'Dea late of Kilrush

John (Jakie) & Teresa Wilson late of Labasheda

Sunday 29th December

9.00am

Nancy Moynihan late of Cappa Drive

Bridget & Patrick Lynch

Lizzy Roche & Daisy Griffin

12noon

Gary Guerin late of Leadmore

Buddy Danaher late of St. Senan's Terrace

Charles W. Glynn late of Frances Street



WELCOME TO ST. SENAN'S
We extend a warm welcome to all visitors to our parish this Christmas season. We wish you all a very Peaceful & Happy Christmas.



KILRUSH FOOTBALL CLUB—LOTTO

Numbers Drawn: 24, 01, 26, 31

No Jackpot Winner. 5 Lucky dip winners: Elaine Nelson, Kieran Browne, Brenda Honan, Robert Clancy & Gerard Fennell. **Draw Mon 23rd December.**

Jackpot: €10,000

CAPPA CHRISTMAS DAY CHARITY SWIM

The Annual Cappa Christmas Day Charity Swim will take place on Christmas morning at 11am sharp at Cappa (back of pier). Proceeds from this years swim will be going to Kilrush RNLi Lifeboat and Friends of Regina House, Kilrush. For swim sponsorship cards contact Therese 0868717452 or donate at the swim on Christmas morning. please support the swimmers. See you all on Christmas morning.



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 this year is St. Senan's Primary School, Special Classes.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL A sincere thanks to all have contributed so generously to the recent St. Vincent De Paul Collection. All the contributions received helped to make a better Christmas for many families.

West Clare FRC Activities for the Over 55's Please note our office is closed for the Christmas break. We would like to wish all of our Participants a very Happy Christmas and we look forward to seeing you all in the New Year. We will reopen on the 7th January 2025

NEW YEAR'S DAY 5K AND 10K WALK/RUN takes place in Kilkee on New Year's Eve, Tues, Dec. 31. The 5K or 10K walk/run begins at the Bandstand. Registration from 11am, with the event starting at noon. Entry is €10pp, €20 for families in aid of Kilkee Sub Aqua Club's search & recovery fund.

KILKEE CHRISTMAS DAY SWIM takes place at 12.30pm sharp on the beach. Proceeds go to Kilkee Sub Aqua Club Search & Recovery fund.

THE FAMILIY STORE Anita and Paul Edson are retiring after 37 years in business this Christmas, and would like to sincerely thank all their loyal Customers and Staff for their support over the years. We wish new owners Maggie Cronin and Tommy Clancy every success in the future.



KILRUSH COMMUNITY PARISH CHURCH SURVEY

Kilrush Community Parish Church Survey



For anyone who hasn't already filled out this survey: This is an anonymous survey, and the findings are to help us better understand the community where we live and it's needs. Please scan the QR code with the camera on your phone, otherwise you can pick up a hard copy on your way out of mass.