

# KILLEADAN

## MASSES:

Saturdays /Eve of Holidays: 7.30pm

Sundays /Holy Days: 11am

All Weekdays: 10am

Friday evenings: 7.30pm

Craggagh: Temporarily suspended

**CONFESSIONS:** St. Joseph's Chapel on

Saturdays at 2 pm or by appointment

## EXPOSITION:

Every Friday: 10.30am - 7.30pm



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# PARISH NEWS

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## CELEBRATING CHRISTMAS 2021 IN OUR CHURCH

We will again be celebrating Christ's birth this year with limitations due to the ongoing Covid situation. Please be aware of the following that we continue to keep one another safe during this special time. **If you have Covid, symptoms or are a close contact please do not come to the church and participate via webcam.** Every second seat will be available for Christmas Eve, Christmas Day and St. Stephen's Day Masses. Once seating capacity is reached it will not be possible to admit anyone else to the church. Seats will be allocated on a first come - first seated basis. Standing in aisles and doorways is not at permitted at this time. Young families are encouraged to participate in the 6pm Mass. Families are invited to come together to one Mass if at all possible, and to share one seat.

Wearing of masks while present in the church is highly recommended unless genuinely excused from doing so. Please sanitize hands entering and leaving church and observe social distance entering and leaving also. Holy Communion will be distributed on the hand at Communion time in the seats for Christmas Masses and for St. Stephen's Day. Please stand in your seat at the time. Anyone not wishing to receive on the hand or for any other reason, may request a blessing by crossing their arms from shoulder to shoulder.

## MASSES for 4th Week of ADVENT also available via WEBCAM

Saturday	18 Dec	7.30pm ~	JANE O'BRIEN, brother in law PATRICK, parents in law WALTER & ANNIE, Carrick MARY & AGNES ENGLISH, parents MARION & TONY ENGLISH, Killedan
Sunday	19 Dec	9.30am	JAMES MORAN, London and Derryvohey. (funeral in London this Wednesday)
		11am	People of the Parish
Monday	20 Dec	10am	HARRY and UNA McDONAGH, Killedan and deceased of the HARRINGTON and McDONAGH families
Tuesday	21 Dec	10am	MARK & PADDY MULLEE, Cullilea and deceased of the MULLEE family
Wednesday	22 Dec	10am	Deceased of the HARRY WALSH family, Carrick
Thursday	23 Dec	10am	JOHN and MARY KENNY, daughter NUALA, sons JOHN and MARTIN, and granddaughter HALEY
Friday	24 Dec	10am	SHAMUS KELLY, Thornhill - 5th anniversary

## CHRISTMAS MASSES

Friday	24 Dec Christmas Eve	6pm	THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST
		9pm	THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST
Saturday	25 Dec Christmas Day	9.30am	THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST
		11am	THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST
		7.30pm	No Vigil Mass
Sunday	26 Dec	9.30	The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph
		11am	The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph



**RECENT DEATHS:** Pray for those who have died recently: GERARD T MULHERN, Main Street and Chicago; EITHNE SOLAN, Dublin and formerly of Kiltimagh, wife of the late Tony Solan; MARY POSPIECH, London, sister of M.P. Ivers, Treenkeel; JAMES MORAN, London and formerly of Derryvohey, brother of Mary Charlton Cordarragh and Ann Grogan, Dublin.

## MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Sat	18 Dec	7.30pm	Mary Duffy	Sun	19 Dec	11am	Adrian McHugh
Christmas Eve		6pm	Marion Dunne	9pm	Gerry King		
Christmas Day		9.30am	Thomas Maloney	11am	Eithne Mullaney		
St. Stephen's Day		11am	Kathy Nichols				

## MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Sat	18 Dec	7.30pm	Christina Cosgrove	Sun	19 Dec	11am	Ann English
Christmas Eve		6pm	Eadhonn MacSuibhne and Tom Moriarty	9pm	Pat Lavin and Tim Nichols		
Christmas Day		9.30am	Bridie Doherty and Anne Forde	11am	Bernie Cannon and James McHugh		
St. Stephen's Day		9.30am	Monica Rowley and Walter Connell	11am	Siobhan Devine and John McHugh		

**HOUR OF PRAYER** to help deepen reflection on the Advent readings in preparation for Christmas in Kiltimagh Church this Sunday, 19th Dec from 6.30pm - 7.30pm. Everyone is encouraged to avail of this time in preparation for Christ's birth.

**PRIESTS CHRISTMAS COLLECTION** will be taken up at all Christmas Masses. Thank you for your generosity

**THE LIGHT IS ON:** Fr. Gerry Davey, Carracastle will be present in St. Joseph's Chapel for the celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) on this Sunday, Dec 19th from 5-6pm. Reconciliation will also be available on Christmas Eve from 2-3pm. Celebrating this sacrament is a great way to welcome and receive the healing presence of the Saviour this Christmas.

**EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT** in Christmas Eve will end at 4pm.

**BLESSING FOR A CHRISTMAS CRIB:** O God, out of your love for us you sent your deary beloved Son into the world. You willed that he be born in a humble stable in order to give us an example of humility. We pray you now to bless this crib, a representation of the scene of your birth; may it draw us closer to him. By imitating his humility, may we become a worthy dwelling place for his rebirth, Jesus Christ, thy son our Lord.

**BLESSING FOR A CHRISTMAS TREE:** Bless this tree, this sign of life and freshness and perseverance in creation. It is a reminder that you are born anew in us each day. Bless our family and friends as we celebrate this joyful season. Keep us safe in our travels, kind in our conversations and gracious in our giving and receiving. Through Christ our Lord, Amen.

**ORGANIST AND CHOIR DIRECTOR:** Church of the Holy Family Kiltimagh seeks to appoint an Organist and Choir Director to build with the choir on a strong music tradition of the church. The successful candidate will be familiar with liturgical settings and seasons and will lead the choir and provide organ accompaniment at Sunday Mass, Christmas, Holy Week, Easter and other important Liturgical celebrations throughout the year. To furnish your application (Cover letter and your C.V.) and for more information please email Fr. Michael Quinn at [mquinn@achonrydiocese.org](mailto:mquinn@achonrydiocese.org) Closing date for applications is **Monday 20th December, 2021**

### **SEEING YOUR LIFE THROUGH THE LENS OF THE GOSPEL - 4th Sunday of Advent (Intercom)**

1. The greeting of Elizabeth to Mary 'Blessed are you among women and blessed is the fruit of your womb', is a joyful welcome of the child to come. Bringing new life into the world through pregnancy and birth is one of the most awesome human experiences. How have you experienced this for yourself or in someone close to you? 2. The image of the pregnant Mary going a distance to visit her cousin is a symbol of her willingness to look beyond her own needs to the needs of others. When have you witnessed that kind of generosity in others, or have been able to act in this way yourself? 3. Mary is praised for her faith, because she believed the promise made to her by the Lord would be fulfilled. In what ways have you experienced blessings from your faith and trust in God's promises. What are God's promises that mean the most to you?

**FAMILY PRAYER (Loyola Press)** In the encounter between Mary and Elizabeth described in today's Gospel, we learn that other people can help us recognise God's presence and action in our lives. Mary travelled to see Elizabeth because Elizabeth's pregnancy was a sign that everything the angel told Mary would truly happen. Elizabeth recognised Mary as the mother of her Lord because her unborn child, John the Baptist, leapt at the sound of Mary's greeting. Elizabeth and Mary rejoiced together at the wonderful things God was doing in their lives. We too are blessed when we have people who helped us recognise God's action in our lives. We pray that our own family can be this for one another. As we gather as a family, work together on a word search or hidden-picture puzzle. Help one another until everyone has found each of the words or pictures in the puzzle. Talk about this experience, noticing how some people found words or pictures more easily than others and how easy it is to see the word or picture once someone else pointed it out. Observe that sometimes we need the help of others to recognise God's presence and action in our lives. Read together today's Gospel, Luke 1:39-45. Ask: What did Elizabeth recognise about Mary? (that she was to be the mother of Jesus, the Lord). How did Elizabeth know this? (Her baby, John the Baptist, leapt in her womb) Pray together that as we share our faith together as a family, we may help one another recognise God's presence in our lives. Pray together the Hail Mary.

**CHILDRENS CORNER:** Today's Gospel reading is about two women who trusted God. One of them is Mary. Who is Mary? (Jesus's mother) Mary was chosen by God to be the mother of his Son, Jesus. What did Mary say when God asked her to be Jesus' mother? (Yes). Mary trusted God. After she said yes to God, she went to visit Elizabeth. Elizabeth was so happy! She trusted God. She knew Mary was going to be Jesus' mother. What did Elizabeth call Mary? (Blessed) Mary was blessed because she was going to be Jesus' mother, Mary trusted God and said yes to God. God took care of Mary, and he takes care of us. We can trust in God's promises, just as Mary did. Pray the Hail Mary, telling God that you trust in his promises, just as Mary did.

**FINAL DAYS TO GET YOUR TICKET for VICTIM ASSISTANCE CHRISTMAS RAFFLE FOR 1000 LITRES OF HOME HEATING FUEL:** Just 4 days left to buy your ticket for this super prize. Tickets on sale in some local outlets and from the Victim Assistance office on Aiden Street (beside the IRD). Tickets cost €5 each or a book of five tickets cost €20. You can also go to our Facebook page and website page ([www.victimassistance.ie](http://www.victimassistance.ie) and purchase your ticket there) Be in with a chance, and support a very worthy charity at this very challenging time. Draw takes place on 23rd Dec. If you would like to take a book to sell on behalf of Victim Assistance, you can call Mary McNicholas on 094 9000 251 or 086 3938871.

**ST. VINCENT de PAUL** Kiltimagh wish to thank most sincerely all who generously donated to our Christmas Appeal. Envelopes for donations are still available in the church and they can be dropped in the collection box in the church. There are envelopes in the Credit Union and Post Office also if people wish to donate. Thank you all and we wish everyone a very happy and peaceful Christmas.

### **KILTIMAGH SOCIAL SERVICES ROTA FOR DECEMBER 2021**

5th Lauren and Andrew  
12th Sinead and Anne  
19th Triona and Eilish  
25th Jeannette & Fintan  
26th NO MEALS TODAY

Butcher: Conlons  
Grocer: Carrolls  
Driver: S. Kenny and T. Maloney

**If anybody would like to volunteer to cook meals on wheels, please call 087 7637288**

### **CHRISTMAS WISHES**

**Fr. Michael, Fr. Pat and Deacon Martin pray all God's blessings on everyone this Christmas and for the New Year ahead.**

**NOTICE ABOUT COLLECTIONS DURING MASS :** (Envelopes may be placed in the baskets on entering the church for weekend Masses). Some parishioners have expressed a wish to continue paying the Offertory Collection, 2nd collection and other collections as they arise. Envelopes may be placed in the safe donation box at end of the main aisle which will be emptied regularly each day. It is also possible to pay directly into the accounts with the numbers: Offertory Collection **Green Envelope:** Kiltimagh Church a/c **IBAN:** IE17BOFI90388328521158 **BIC:** BOFIE2D PayPal is available for this account on [kiltimaghparish.org](http://kiltimaghparish.org)  
2nd Collection **Yellow Envelope** Holy Family Church a/c (5877) **IBAN:** IE51KDCU99217699530509 **BIC:** KDCUIE21XXX  
Priests Collection **Purple Envelope:** Kiltimagh Parish Priests Revenue a/c **IBAN:** IE86AIBK93744408879022 **BIC:** AIBKIE2D  
When making a lodgement please remember to include your envelope box number. Deepest appreciation for your generosity in these very difficult times.

**CHURCH REFURBISHMENT FUND:** Thank you for your continued support and generosity. If you are a tax payer and contribute €250 or more over a year to the parish, please consider returning a CHY3 Form as soon as possible to enable tax reclaim by the parish on your donation. These CHY3 forms are available at the Church doors. To make contribution direct to the Refurbishment account in Kiltimagh Credit Union, the account numbers are as follows: Holy Family Church A/c 5877 Electronic transfer: **IBAN:** IE51KDCU99217699530509 **BIC:** KDCUIE21XXX