



# NEWSLETTER

3rd Sunday of Advent

16th December 2018

YEAR B



## PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

### The Parish of Bunclody/Kilmyshall shall be a Community:

- Of renewed faith and commitment to Christ expressed in prayer and genuine Eucharistic worship where all participate fully.
- With deep respect for and interest in each and every person.
- Flourishing in love, care, support, co-operation, education and communication, building to the unity of the Body of Christ.
- Reaching out the hand of welcome to all who do not belong to our faith and worshipping community.



### MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK Sat. 15th Dec - Sun. 23rd Dec 2018

Most Holy Trinity Bunclody



#### Saturday 15th December 11am

Eugene Bochemski.

#### Saturday 15th December 7pm

Patsy Furlong, Carrigduff.

Ann Raleigh & Nancy Roche.

Tony Melay, and deceased members of the Melay & Nolan families.

Deceased members of HWH Bunclody GAA Club, Ladies Football Club and Bunclody Camogie Club.

John Sheridan, formerly Irish Street.

#### Sunday 16th December 12 noon

Molly Murphy.

Brendan Brophy.

Elaine & Darren Mates.

Julia Lyons.

Lizzy Whelan.

#### Saturday 23rd December 7pm

James Doyle, Kyle, and deceased members of the Doyle family.

Mary Ellen & Tommy Atkinson

#### Sunday 23rd December 12 noon

Thomas & Anastasia Gantly and family.

Elaine & Darren Mates.

St. Mary Magdalene Kilmyshall

#### Saturday 15th December 8pm

Anna Crean, anniversary and deceased members of the Crean Family.

### Christmas Visits to the Sick

Fr O Connor will visit the sick in the parish ahead of Christmas on Thursday and Friday next, December 20th & 21st.

### Fr Wall Radio Interview

An interview with Fr Wall will air on South East Radio on Tuesday next, 18th December at 8:04pm. Please listen in.

### Do This in Memory Mass

The next Do This In Memory mass will take place on Sunday 16th December at 12 Noon.

### Baptism

*Through the life - giving waters of Baptism we welcome into our community:*

KLAUDIA KRZAK



### 2019 Contribution Envelopes

Contribution envelopes for 2019 are available for collection in the porch of the church.

**Eucharistic Adoration:**  
Every Monday 9.30am- 8.00pm  
Tuesday to Friday 7:30-8:30am,  
Saturday 9:30-10:30am.  
**No Adoration on Bank Holidays**



## THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

In his encyclical *Evangelii Gaudium* (The Joy of the Gospel), Pope Francis issues a warning that might resonate with us as we continue our Advent journey. Caught up in consumerism, he says, it is easy for us to forget what is truly important:

"The great danger in today's world, pervaded as it is by consumerism, is the desolation and anguish born of a complacent yet covetous heart, the feverish pursuit of frivolous pleasures, and a blunted conscience. Whenever our interior life becomes caught up in its own interests and concerns, there is no longer room for others, no place for the poor. God's voice is no longer heard, the quiet joy of his love is no longer felt and the desire to do good fades."

In the lead up to Christmas we often get caught up in a flurry of interests and concerns. True, much of the joy of Christmas comes from giving to others, but there is so much focus on material goods and spending money that it can be difficult to remember the good news at the heart of the season. It is so easy to become distracted by the bright lights and advertising.

This Sunday is Gaudete Sunday—Gaudete means "Rejoice". It is the perfect time to recapture some of the quiet joy that Pope Francis talks about. "The joy of the gospel fills the hearts and lives of all who encounter Jesus," he reminds us. It is this personal encounter with Jesus that we celebrate at Christmas, God becoming man, the Good News announced by John the Baptist, in today's Gospel. This is the reason for our joy—the reason for the season!

-Triona Doherty

### Christmas Mass Times

Mass will take place at the following times on Christmas Eve and Christmas day:

**Christmas Eve:** 9am & 9pm

**Christmas Day:** 9am (Children's mass) & 12 noon

### The Sacrament of Reconciliation

will be celebrated in the our church on Sunday December 16th at 6:30pm.

### Parish Office Christmas Opening Hours

Open until 4:30pm Friday December 21st  
Closed December 22nd—January 6th. Reopening January 7th at 8:30am.

Please ensure all newsletter notices and mass intentions are with the parish office before end of Thursday December 20th so they will be included.

### Envelope Collection

**Monday 10th December: €663.20**

Thank You for your Generosity



- \* **Alcoholics Anonymous:** Meetings held Tuesday & Saturday at 8:30pm in Brennan's Market Square.
- \* **Whist:** Monday night 8:45pm in Day Care Centre.
- \* **St Vincent de Paul :** Local Confidential helpline 087 3696883, please call if you need help.
- \* **S.V.P. request Box is now located at back of shop.** There is a new newspaper recycling bin beside SuperValu in aid of S.V.P.

**Choir:** Choir Practice in Bunclody every Tuesday at 7:30pm. Rosary recited for sick of the parish at 7:15 pm. **New members most welcome.** If you have family members, relatives or friends who are ill at home or in hospital, please let a choir member know and they will be remembered in the rosary and prayers for the sick. All are welcome to join in the prayer.

**Singer/Musician** with a music degree and Experience, available for all your musical needs: Funerals, Weddings both Church & Civil, Anniversary masses, drinks receptions, parties etc, Contact local singer Mary Crosbie 086 3005423.

**Bunclody Parent & Toddler Group**  
Takes place Wednesday's during term time from 9:30am-11:30am in St Aidan's Hall, Irish Street, Bunclody.

**Bunclody VC Split the Pot Draw**  
Next draw Thursday 20th December.  
Recent winner: Betty Byrne €78.00  
Thank you for your support.

**Livestreaming**  
Mass in our church is available to watch online by livestream. To access the livestream go to [mcnmedia.tv](http://mcnmedia.tv) and search for **Bunclody**. All weekly masses will be available to view. If you have any questions or feedback about the system please contact the Parish Office 053 93 76190.

**Collections during Mass**  
The 1<sup>st</sup> collection is for the benefit of the Priest.  
The 2<sup>nd</sup> collection is for the upkeep of the electricity, heating, repairs etc.  
**Your support for both is much appreciated.**

**A Portrait of Bunclody**  
Exhibition running from Tuesday 4th—Saturday 22nd December 2018 in Art Bank Bunclody.  
Meet the artist afternoon taking place on Saturday 8th December from 3pm. All are welcome.  
Gallery open hours: 2-5pm Tuesday-Saturday.

**St Mary's Day Centre, Ryland Road**

The December Programme: 10am to 2pm  
Come along-enjoy a Social & Informative gathering.

**Mon 17th Dec:** Christmas Festivities & Treats.

New Members always welcome. Throughout the year we will have entertainment, information sharing, arts/crafts, guest speakers, bingo/card playing. This Club would suit 60+ age group. Entrance Fee: €4 which includes Tea & Light Lunch.

**Special Ministers for December 2018**

**Ministers of the Word:**

7:00pm: Evelyn Mulrennan  
9:00am: Gertrude Rowlands  
12 Noon: John Varghese

**Eucharistic Ministers:**

7:00pm: Goretti Kavanagh/Maura Quinlivan  
9:00am: Geraldine Roberts/Leanne Nolan  
12 Noon: Sarah Burke/Celia Burns

**Altar Servers:**

7:00pm : B  
9:00am : C  
12 Noon : A

**Flower Society:** Team

**Shrine Rota:** John Burke & Elizabeth Dockrell

**KILMYSHALL NOTES**

**Choir:** Choir practice in Kilmyshall every Monday at 7:30pm. New Members most welcome.  
**Prayer Group:** meet every Wednesday after 7:30 pm Mass in the Oratory. All are welcome.  
**Eucharistic Adoration:** Every Tuesday in the Church from 10:00am to 4:00pm. New Adorers always welcome.  
**Hall bookings and use of hall equipment MUST** be booked through Denis O' Neill at 087 2196565.  
**Split-the-Pot:** Peg McDonald €157, Seller: KNS  
**Second Collection:** €220

**Eucharistic Ministers - December 2018:**

Saturday Night: Patrick Murphy  
Sunday Morning: Anne Tyndall

**Ministers of the Word - December 2018**

**Saturday 22nd:** Aaron Whiting  
**Sunday 23rd:** Michael Doyle

Colouring sheets are available at back of the Church for the children, and may be used during Mass.

2019 Envelopes available at the back of the church and also in the Parish Office on Tues/Friday 9am—1pm

**PARISH CHRISTMAS COFFEE MORNING**

Will take place on Saturday 22nd December after 11:00am mass in the pastoral centre. All are very welcome to come and enjoy mince pies and cream.

**FDYS Bunclody**

would like to thank all those who contributed to their recent church gate collection which raised €260. They would also like to extend their thanks to those who donated prizes to their fundraising bingo.

**Lighting of Walking track at GAA Pitch**

The walking track at the GAA pitch in Bunclody will be lit from 7pm to 9pm every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. Annual membership €10. OAP membership €5

**PARISH INFORMATION**

**Most Holy Trinity Bunclody**

**V. Rev. Laurence O' Connor P.P. 053 9377319.**

**Weekend Masses:** Saturday: 11:00am & 7:00pm  
Sunday: 9:00am & 12 Noon.

**Weekdays:** Monday - Friday 9 :00am.

**Confessions:** Saturday 11:30am & 6:30pm.

**Please let us know when a relative is sick in hospital or at home**

**Parish Office Opening Hours:**

Monday & Tuesday: 8:30—3:30 Wednesday & Thursday: 8:30—4:30  
Friday: 8:30—1:00 Closed for lunch 1:00—1:30 Mon—Thurs

**Contact:** 053 9376190

E-mail: [bunclodyparishoffice@eircom.net](mailto:bunclodyparishoffice@eircom.net)

**All notices for newsletter to be in before Thursday at 1:00pm. Visit our website at [www.bunclodyparish.org](http://www.bunclodyparish.org)**

Like and follow our new official Facebook page - The Church of the Most Holy Trinity Bunclody.

**St. Mary Magdalene Kilmyshall**

**Fr. Pat Duffy C.C. 053 9377188**

**Weekend Masses:** Saturday: 8:00pm & Sunday 10:30am.

**Weekdays:** 9:30am Monday (Eucharistic Service),  
9:30am Mass Tuesday, Thursday & Friday,  
7:30pm. Wednesday.

**Confessions :** Saturday 6:45pm to 7:30pm. Anytime by request.

**Prayer Group:** meets Wednesday after 7:30pm Mass in the Oratory (behind Parochial House)

Visit our website at [www.kilmyshallparish.com](http://www.kilmyshallparish.com)

**Kilmyshall Parish Office is open every Tuesday & Friday 9:00am-1:00pm. Email: [kilmyshallparish@gmail.com](mailto:kilmyshallparish@gmail.com).**

**DESIGNATED SAFE GUARDING PEOPLE**

**Bunclody:** Susan Norris 087 0525440  
**Kilmyshall:** Barbara Murphy 087 9580705