



Holy Family

NEWSLETTER

27th December 2020

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 26th Dec - Sun 3rd Jan 2020

Most Holy Trinity Bunclody



Sunday 27th December 11:00am

John Doyle, Ballypreacus.

Mirek Gogal.

Monday 28th December 11:00am

Pat Connaughton, 8th Anniversary.

Thursday 31st December 9:00am

Chrissie Fitzgerald.

Mick Fitzgerald.

Saturday 2nd January 11:00am

Mary O'Connor, 1st Anniversary, Carrigduff.

Richard O'Leary.

St Mary Magdalene Kilmyshall

Sunday 27th December 10:30am

Special Intention.

John & Elsie Lacey and deceased members of the Whelan & Lacey family.

Saturday 2nd January 8:00pm

Pat, Mary & Bridget Mary Murphy, Cashel.

Sunday 3rd January 10:30am

Anna Flynn- Murphy, Anniversary.

Due to Current Restrictions Weekend Masses will be held at 11:00am Saturday & Sunday Mornings for the foreseeable until guidelines change. We hope everyone stays safe and has a Happy & Healthy New Year.

SYMPATHY

We offer our deepest sympathy and prayers to the family and friends of:
Art O'Neill, Glasslacken
May he Rest in Peace.

Bunclody Parish Office Christmas Hours

The Parish Office will be closed all of next week and will re-open on Tuesday 5th January at 8:30am-4:30pm.

Livestreaming

Mass is available to watch online. To view go to mcnmedia.tv and search: **Bunclody**. All masses available live. Contact the Parish Office on 053 9376190 with any queries you may have.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Simeon and Anna welcome Mary, Joseph and Jesus to the Temple. They have been waiting for this moment. What kind of Messiah were they expecting? Simeon

welcomes this family who must have seemed 'ordinary' and poor. He can see that this child will be 'a light....for the glory of your people'. Already there is a note of reversal; of

boundaries being stretched. Mary is told that this child 'is destined for the fall and the rising of many'. There will be challenging times ahead for this family. Simeon knows that many thoughts will be exposed for God's invitation and welcome has no boundaries and this

radical hospitality might not sit well with everyone. Anna rejoices for all those who were looking for a change, for hope, she knows that this child will overturn systems of oppression and exclusion.

Luke is interested in how humanity responds to the Gospel. If Jesus' message is really good news, then this requires a shakeup; a shakeup which challenges comfortable assumptions about the way God works. God's abundant invitation to all may not sit comfortably with many. While Anna prays and fasts for a change of heart in the way Jerusalem operates, Simeon warns Mary that this will not be an easy road.

Many situations in our world today need a shake-up, especially in our church. This can be uncomfortable as we have to let go of certain things and invite freshness. What situations in our own society and in our church require a shake-up; an uncomfortable but necessary change so that God's love and welcome can shine through? Jesus came to show us how to live. We must constantly look back at his example.

'We often make do with looking at the ground...I wonder if we still know how to look up at the sky? Do we know how to dream, to long for God, to expect the newness he brings, or do we let ourselves be swept along by life, like dry branches before the wind?' (Pope Francis)

Jane Mellett

Fr. O'Connor, Fr. Wall, Fr. Duffy, & all the Sisters wish you and your families a very Happy Christmas and Happy New Year.

We take this opportunity of thanking you all for your co-operation, support & generosity throughout the year.

- * **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 now located at back of shop.** There is a new newspaper recycling bin beside SuperValu in aid of S.V.P.

Mount Leinster Community Employment Vacancies

Bunclody Tidy Towns – General Operative (1)
Job Reference – 2164609

Caretaker/Maintenance Castledockrell (1)
Job Reference – 2164608

Parish Secretary – Bunclody (1)
Job Reference – 2165920

Contact: Employment Services Bridgepoint Enniscorthy and quote reference to check eligibility
Local D.E.A.S.P (Intreo) Office Enniscorthy
053-9239300. Garda vetting will apply.
D.E.A.S.P eligibility criteria applies
(MUST be in receipt of D.E.A.S.P. payment)

Reflection for weekend 26th & 27th Dec. 2020

'The Annunciation' by Elizabeth Jennings,

Nothing will ease the pain to come
Though now she sits in ecstasy
And lets it have its way with her.
The angel's shadow in the room
Is lightly lifted as if he
Had never terrified her there.
The furniture again returns
To its old simple state. She can
Take comfort from the things she knows
Though in her heart new loving burns
Something she never gave to man
Or god before, and this god grows
Most like a man. She wonders how
To pray at all, what thanks to give
And whom to give them to. "Alone
To all men's eyes I now must go"
She thinks, "And by myself must live
With a strange child that is my own."
So from her ecstasy she moves
And turns to human things at last
(Announcing angels set aside).
It is a human child she loves
Though a god stirs beneath her breast
And great salvations grip her side.

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Special Ministers for January 2021

Ministers of the Word:

7:00pm: John Varghese
9:00am: John Byrne
12 Noon: Sarah Burke

Eucharistic Ministers:

7:00pm:
9:00am:
12 Noon:

Altar Servers:

7:00pm : Altar servers
9:00am : are not currently
12 Noon : attending mass.

Flower Society: Margaret Byrne & Monica Mernagh

Shrine Rota: Mary Canning & Kitty Jordan

Sponsorship of Newsletter for December 2020

**Pat Lennon Bar and Funeral Directors,
Main Street, Bunclody
(053) 937 7341 / 086 8727519**

KILMYSHALL NOTES

Choir: Is not currently being held due to COVID19.

Prayer Group: Rosary At 7:00pm on Wednesday in the church followed by Mass and Benediction at 7:30pm

Eucharistic Adoration: Resumes Tuesdays in the church on January 5th 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: Envelopes available at HWH, Steemers, Cahill's, D & M Laundrette, Glanbia, Byrnes Hardware Ryland Lower & Kilmyshall Parish Office.

Winner Friday 18th December: Jack Murphy €106.

Seller: K.N.S. Next draw Friday 8th January 2021

2nd Collection: €340.00

300-1 Club Draw Results December: 1st Mary Connell, Cromogue 2nd Pat & Kathleen Creane 3rd Mary Hogan, Bunclody 4th Aidan Kenny, Cametigue 5th Pat & Marie Byrne, Mullawn 6th Paul Redmond, Ballyphilip 7th Maria Treacy, Myshall 8th Michael Murphy 9th Elizabeth David 10th Una & Jimmy Murphy, Kilmyshall

Please inform Fr Duffy or Kilmyshall Parish Office if a relative is sick or in hospital Contact:
053 9377188 / 086 4460232

Due to Covid-19 restrictions

No Public Masses will take plain Kilmyshall until further notice. The Church will remain open for private prayer.

Adoration will resume on Tuesday 5th January 2021



*Wishing all parishioners a very
Happy Christmas and a Happy,
Healthy and Safe 2021*



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 inform us if a relative is sick in hospital or at home

Parish Office Opening Hours:

Tuesday & Wednesday 8:30am - 4:30pm

Friday: 8:30am - 1:00pm

Closed for lunch 1:00 - 1:30pm Mon - Thurs

Contact: 053 9376190 E-mail: mostholyltrinitypo@gmail.com

All notices for newsletter to be in before 4:30pm on Wednesday or we can not guarantee inclusion that week. Visit our website at www.bunclodyparish.org

St. Mary Magdalene Kilmyshall

Fr. Pat Duffy C.C. 053 9377188 / 086 4460232

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

Weekdays: Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 9:30am
Monday & Wednesday 7:30pm

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

Visit our website at www.kilmyshallparish.com

Kilmyshall Parish Office is open every Tuesday & Friday 9:00am-1:00pm. Email: kilmyshallparish@gmail.com. PLEASE LET FR. DUFFY OR THE PARISH OFFICE KNOW IF ANYONE IS SICK OR IN HOSPITAL PHONE 053 9377188.

DESIGNATED SAFE GUARDING PEOPLE

Bunclody: Susan Norris 087 0525440

Kilmyshall: Barbara Anne Murphy 087 9580705