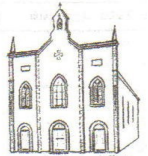




# NEWSLETTER

6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter5<sup>th</sup> May 2024

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. 4<sup>th</sup> May 2024-Sun. 12<sup>th</sup> May 2024

#### Most Holy Trinity, Bunclody

Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> May 7:00pm

Jim & Peggy Murphy Craan and also Pat, Tom & John Foley.

Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> May 7:00pm

Billy & Breda Nolan, Anniversary.

#### St Mary Magdalene Kilmyshall

Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> May 8:00pm

Ted Sinnott, recently deceased.

Helen Fitzpatrick, recently deceased.

Special Intention.

Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> May 10:30am

Denis O' Neill, recently deceased.

Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> May 8:00pm

Mary Weafer & Pat Weafer & deceased members of the Weafer & Byrne families.

Denis O' Neill, recently deceased.

Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> May 10:30am

Denis O' Neill, recently deceased.

### SYMPATHY

We offer our deepest sympathy and prayers to the Family and Friends of:

**Tom Connors, 2 Na Coilte, Bunclody**

May He Rest in Peace.

### THE HOOK OF FAITH THIS WEEK

'Synodality Explored: Facing the Future Together' is an article by Jim Thompson who recently attended a conference on synodality in Knock. The homily for the Sixth Sunday of Easter focuses on the fundamental vocation we all share in common, namely to love one another as Christ has loved us. 'For the Formation of Men and Women Religious and Seminarians' is the Pope's Prayer intention for May and we ask the question of whether we Catholics still love the Eucharist and why. Fr Eamonn Conway summarises a recent report on attitudes and behaviours in Catholic schools that highlights the importance of education as a formative experience. In advance of the 'Day for Life' celebrated on 16th June, Lord Alton explains the reasons why we should be concerned about the protection of life and why a recent programme on Ireland's abortion laws was hopelessly imbalanced. Check out these and other resources available at [www.thehookoffaith.com](http://www.thehookoffaith.com)

### PARISH ASSEMBLY

There will be a Parish Assembly on **Thursday, May 16<sup>th</sup>** in the Pastoral Centre. Parishioners from Bunclody and Kilmyshall are invited to take part in the Assembly which will consider the future development of the parish. Everybody will have the opportunity to discuss and to come with proposals on what will create the kind of Parish that everybody desires. **Fr John Dunphy, Parish Priest of Graiguecullen Co. Laois**, will give an account of Parish activities and developments in his own parish and lead the conversation on positive and constructive suggestions that will build a good future for the parish of Bunclody-Kilmyshall. We are looking forward to a great gathering and a fruitful dialogue.

### THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

A commandment of love is something of a contradiction in terms. Love is a free choice. That is what gives the thrill to the experience of being loved. Recall times when you received gestures of love from another -

- a spontaneous embrace from a husband or wife;
- a wave from a friend;
- words of comfort and affirmation

Not because the other person felt obliged to reach out to you but because they wanted to let you know you were loved. What effect did that have on you? Did it bring you joy? Perhaps you have had a glimpse of the truth of what Jesus said, that it is in loving that our joy is complete.

Often love and friendship make demands on us. Parents give freely of their times and energy to the care of their children but sometimes it requires a lot of effort. Also, in responding to the needs of friends or spouses we can be challenged to "lay down" our own "lives" at least for a time. Can you recall when a time when putting yourself out for others bore fruit for them and for you?

"I chose you". Have you had the experience of being "chosen" by someone? What was it like for you to be chosen? What was it like for you to consider yourself as one chosen by Jesus? That is what we are—chosen by Jesus and commissioned to bear fruit through our love.

### Envelope Collection

**Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> April: €695.00**

**Thank You for your Generosity**



- \* **St Vincent de Paul** : Local Confidential helpline 087 3593635, please call if you need help.
- \* **S.V.P. request Box now located at back of shop.** There is a newspaper recycling bin beside SuperValu in aid of S.V.P.

**BUNCLODY AA GROUP:** have moved to a new location, all our meetings (Tuesday & Saturday nights) will be held at St Mary's Daycare Centre, Ryland Rd, Y21 C656.

**Church Choir:**

Seeking new members. If you can sing, play an instrument or are interested in any way, please contact Eileen on 087-2933545 or the parish office on 0539376190. All are welcome to join. We practice Tuesdays at 7:30pm in the church.

**Bunclody Library**

**Digital Ambassador Drop In Clinic – Thursday 9th May 7.00 – 8.00pm.** Drop in and learn how to familiarise yourself with your digital device (phone, tablet, laptop etc.). Learn about the range of online resources accessible through Bunclody Library and become more confident using your device. No need to book, just come along. This clinic is for adults only.

**Getting Started with Photography: A Beginner's Guide (From a wedding photographer)** – Friday 10th May at 11.00am. Are you curious about photography? Recently picked up your first camera? Eager to learn how to capture great shots? In this workshop, we'll walk you through the basics of photography, helping you make the most out of your camera, improve your photos, and spot key details. Booking required.

**Storytime for 4 to 7 year olds.** – Saturday 11th May 11.00 – 11.30am. Join us for a special story time for 4 to 7 year olds. Booking required.

**Kids Movie Afternoon for Ages 7+ – Saturday 11th May 2.30 – 4.00pm.** Join us for a fun children's classic movie this afternoon suitable for ages 7+. Booking essential.

**Please note all events in the library are FREE of charge.**

**Conversations with Women in the Bible**

This Conference will be on 10<sup>th</sup> May 2024.

**Venue:** Ballyvaloo Retreat & Conference Centre, Blackwater.

**The speaker:** Thérèse Fitzgerald.

**Times:** 10:00a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

**Cost:** €30 (includes lunch) pay on the door.

**Booking Essential:** Contact Sara or Catherina at 056 7722870 9.00 am – 5.00 pm Monday to Friday or e-mail regionaloffice@ssjg.ie before May 7<sup>th</sup>.

**Bunclody Parish Office**

We have a selection of Signed mass cards, Sympathy Cards, Mass Bouquets, general cards including wedding and baptismal cards, Rosary Beads, Communion Cards, Prayer Books, Baptismal Candles, St Anthony prayer cards and various other prayer leaflets and Holy Water bottles are also available in the parish office, during office hours.

**Special Ministers for May 2024**

**Ministers of the Word:**

- 7:00pm: Evelyn Mulrennan
- 9:00am: John / Helena Byrne
- 12 Noon: Mary Canning

**Eucharistic Ministers:**

- 7:00pm:
- 9:00am: Ellen Delaney / Joe Byrne
- 12 Noon: Maureen Byrne / Liz Whelan

**Altar Servers:**

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

**Flower Society:** Eileen Carton

**KILMYSHALL NOTES**

If you have anyone sick at home or in hospital and would like Fr Duffy to visit, please let Fr. Duffy or the Parish Office know, please contact 053 9377188 or 086 4460232.

**Choir:** Rehearsals every Tuesday at 7:30pm in Most Holy Trinity Church, Bunclody. New Members welcome.

**Split the Pot Winner: Friday 26<sup>th</sup> April – Tom Sth Africa €143- Seller: Redmond's Bar.** Envelopes are available from H.W.H Shop, Steemer's, Cahill's Hardware, D & M Laundrette, Tirlán, Redmond's Bar, Byrne's Hardware Ryland Lower, Kilmysshall Parish Office, & Kilmysshall School. **The pot is split between Kilmysshall School & the Parish. Draw takes place every Friday. Your support is greatly appreciated.**

**300-1 Club April Results: Promoter: Janette O'Neill:**

**1<sup>st</sup>:** Phil Kelly, Ballyphilip Heights, **2<sup>nd</sup>:** Aidan & Jane Kenny, **3<sup>rd</sup>:** Larry & Tina Doyle, **4<sup>th</sup>:** Betty O' Toole, Hackettstown, **5<sup>th</sup>:** Claire Whiting, **6<sup>th</sup>:** Pauric & Deirdre Byrne, **7<sup>th</sup>:** Dowling family, **8<sup>th</sup>:** Mick & Pattie, **9<sup>th</sup>:** Marie Connor, **10<sup>th</sup>:** Maryann Foley, Killanure.

**Ministers of the Eucharist May**

**Saturday Night:** Marie Dowling

**Sunday Morning:** Janette O'Neill

**Ministers of the Word**

**Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> May:** Mary Atkinson

**Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> May:** Chris Atkinson

**Come join us on Sunday 2nd June for Clohamon 5 a side street Tug-of-War. A great fun event.**

Tug-of War starts at 4pm sharp. Registration of teams from 3-3.30pm. All teams of 5 welcome, men's and ladies competitions –no mixed teams, Runners/trainers to be worn by all participants, 3 meter pull. Winners and runners up will be presented with medals on the day, Winners will receive a perpetual Cup. There will also be a barrel of beer which entitles all participants to a free pint in the village bar Clohamon. Tug of war starts at 4pm sharp. Music in the Village bar 7pm to 9pm. Raffle on night. For any information contact Eilish Kavanagh 0871345229.

If you or someone you know is in need of a hot dinner delivered to your home by volunteer drivers three times per week. Please contact Brigid on 087 2699411 to discuss eligibility.

**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.

**Bank Holidays:** Masses on bank holidays will be held at 09:00am.

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

**Bunclody Parish Office Opening Hours:**

**Monday: 9:00am-1:00pm Tuesday: 8:00am-4:00pm, Wednesday: 8:00am-3:30pm, Thursday: 8:00am- 3:00pm Friday: 8:00am-12 Noon, Saturday: 8:00am-1:00pm.**

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

All notices for newsletter to be in before 1:00pm on Wednesday or we can not guarantee inclusion that week. Visit our website at [www.bunclodyparish.org](http://www.bunclodyparish.org)

**St. Mary Magdalene Kilmysshall**

**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.kilmysshallparish.com](http://www.kilmysshallparish.com)

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

**DESIGNATED SAFE GUARDING PEOPLE**

**Bunclody:** Susan Norris 087 0525440.

**Kilmysshall:** Mary Mc Keown 089 9539811.