



# NEWSLETTER



4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent

22<sup>nd</sup> December 2024

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## 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. 21<sup>st</sup> Dec. 2024-Sun. 5<sup>th</sup> Jan 2025**

#### Most Holy Trinity, Bunclody

**Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> December 11:00am**

Sean Carton, 1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary.

**Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> December 7:00pm**

Agnes Raleigh, St. Mary's Villas 6<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.  
Nick & Bridie Brown.  
Jim & Maura Ryan.

**Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> December 12 Noon**

Joan Moore, St Mary Villas, 43<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary also thinking of her son Jimmy and husband Jim at this time.

**Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> December 9:00am**

Patrick Jordan, 25 St. Mary's Villas and deceased members of the Jordan family.

May Lineham & Kitty O'Brien & deceased members of the Lineham family.

**Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> December 9:00pm Christmas Vigil**

Molly & Aidan Whelan Anniversary.  
Martin, Ellen & Patsy Redmond & Lockie Power.

**Friday 27<sup>th</sup> December 9:00am**

Miroslaw Gogol, 11<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

**Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> December 7:00pm**

Chrissie Fitzgerald.  
Richard O'Leary.

Peter & Margaret Ryan, Graiguebeg.

**Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> December 12 Noon**

Pat Connaughton, 12<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

**St. Mary Magdalene, Kilmyshall**

**Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> December 8:00pm**

Phyllis Weafer, 1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary.

**Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> December 10:30am**

Helen & Owen O'Brien, Anniversaries.

#### **Most Holy Trinity Church**

**We invite you to our Family Mass**  
Mass dedicated especially for families  
**Sunday December 22<sup>nd</sup> at 12 Noon**  
Activities for Children for Ages 4 -7 years  
(in the Pastoral Centre)

**Bible stories,  
Colouring pages  
Fun activities**

Youth readers for Prayers of the Faithful  
(Ages 8 -17 years)

**Please tell sisters before Mass starts**

#### **First Friday**

Fr. O' Connor will visit the sick and housebound of the parish on **Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> January**, following his usual route.

### THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

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?

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 another. When have you witnessed that kind of generosity in others, or have been able to act in this way yourself?

Mary is praised for her faith, because she believed the promise made her by the Lord would be fulfilled. In this she is a model for us. 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?

### BUNCLODY CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

#### **Christmas Eve**

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> December  
Vigil Mass at 9:00pm

#### **Christmas Day**

Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> December  
Family Mass (Blessing of Toys) at 9:00am  
Mass at 12:00noon

#### **St Stephen's Day**

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> December  
Mass at 9:00am

#### **Monday 6th January**

Mass at 11:00am

### KILMYSHALL CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

**TUESDAY 24<sup>th</sup> December (Christmas Eve)**  
Mass at **6:00pm & 8:00pm**

**WEDNESDAY 25<sup>th</sup> December (Christmas Day)**  
Mass at **10:00am** (Blessing of toys)

**Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> & Friday 27<sup>th</sup> December**  
**NO MASS IN KILMYSHALL**

**SATURDAY 28<sup>th</sup> & SUNDAY 29<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER**  
**MASS AS NORMAL**

**NO ADORATION** on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> or Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> Dec.

**ADORATION** will resume on  
**Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2025**

**RECONCILIATION SERVICE WILL TAKE PLACE IN BUNCLODY CHURCH ON SUNDAY 22<sup>ND</sup> DECEMBER AT 7:30PM**

Wishing all our parishioners and your families and all those who are home visiting for Christmas a very Happy, Holy and Peaceful Christmas and may you be blessed with peace and joy this Christmas time.

Fr. O' Connor, Fr. Duffy & Sisters

- \* **St Vincent de Paul** : Local Confidential helpline 087 3593635, please call if you need help.
- \* **S.V.P. Requests are to be handed into shop.**

**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.

#### Bunclody Parish Office

The Parish Office will be closed for two weeks from Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> December. There will be no Newsletter for the weekends of 28<sup>th</sup>/29<sup>th</sup> December and 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> January.

Wishing everyone a Happy & Peaceful Christmas from Breda & Liz.



#### Bunclody Parish Flower Society

Thank You to all Our Members who have decorated our Church this year. If you would like to volunteer or donate flowers/greenery please contact

Eileen Carton on 087-2933545 .

#### 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 053 9376190. All are welcome to join. We practice Tuesdays at 7:30pm in the church.



Kilmyshall Hall Committee would like to thank all who organised the recent fundraising events for Kilmyshall Parish Hall. All who Sponsored prizes helped and supported in anyway. All your efforts helped realise the sum of €1,540.00. It is very much appreciated.

#### PILGRIMS OF HOPE

As part of Jubilee 2025, students undertaking the Diploma in Pastoral Ministry from our Diocese will lead a prayer service in Clonard Church at 7:00pm on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> January which celebrates thanksgiving, hope and joy. This will be a great opportunity to share in the hope-filled journey of our Diocese by embracing a synodal Church where lay people take on important leadership roles in mission and ministry. This is an important part of our Diocesan Plan, which is called 'Our Future Church'. All welcome. As Church, we are 'a people advancing on its pilgrim way towards God' (Evangelii Gaudium, 111).

**Garbandal 2025 Ryanair Dublin to Santander** (there is only one flight in and out per day) 5 Day Pilgrimage. Dates March 24<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup>, April 21<sup>st</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup>, May 19<sup>th</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup>, July 14<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup>, August 18<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup>, October 20<sup>th</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup>. You book your own flights. We look after your accommodation, bus transfers and tour guide. Prices €380 sharing single €490, **flights not included.**

#### Volunteer Drivers Needed

Are you available to volunteer for an hour or so once a week or once a fortnight? Bunclody/Halfway House Meals on Wheels are looking for volunteer drivers, for about one hour, at lunchtime, on Monday, Wednesday and Friday each week to deliver hot meals to people living in Bunclody, Kilmyshall, Kilrush, Clohamon, Kildavin, & Clonegal. We need more volunteer drivers to be able to deliver hot meals to the growing number of people in our community who request the service. Each Sunday evening, drivers commit to approx. one hour drive on one of the days, for the forthcoming week via a WhatsApp group - not an arduous commitment. If you think you can spare an hour on an intermittent basis, please contact Brigid on 087 2699411 to discuss. **Thank You.**

#### Kilmyshall Collections

**Envelopes:** Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> December €395.00  
**Second Collection** Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> December: €155  
**Your Support is Appreciated**

#### 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 13<sup>th</sup> December – Brigid Jordan –€101- Seller: K.N.S.** 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, Kilmyshall Parish Office, & Kilmyshall School. **The pot is split between Kilmyshall School & the Parish. Draw takes place every Friday. Your support is greatly appreciated. Next Draw Friday 10th January 2025.**

Come and See Prayer meeting next Monday 23rd Dec. at 8pm in Kilmyshall Parish Office. All are welcome.

#### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS JANUARY

**Saturday Night:** Ann Farrell

**Sunday Morning:** Nellie Long

#### MINISTERS OF THE WORD

**Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> December:** Martina Kelly

**Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> December:** Nellie Long

**Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> January:** Mary Atkinson

**Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> January:** Janette O'Neill

#### **KILMYSHALL PARISH**

#### **SENIOR CITIZEN CHRISTMAS DINNER**

**SUNDAY 5<sup>th</sup> January 2025 at 2pm**

**IN KILMYSHALL COMMUNITY HALL**

**Tickets: €20.00**

**to book Contact Janette 086 3681772**

#### KILMYSHALL HALL MEETING

A meeting to form a new committee for the development and management of Kilmyshall Parish Hall will be held on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> January at 8:15pm in the Parish Hall. Anyone interested in participating would be very welcome.

#### 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:

**Bunclody Parish Office is closed for Two Weeks. It will re-open Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2025.**

Contact: 053 9376190 E-mail: [mostholyltrinitypo@gmail.com](mailto: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 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](http://www.kilmyshallparish.com)

#### Kilmyshall Parish Office Opening Hours

**Tuesday & Friday 8:30am – 4:30pm,**

**Email: [kilmyshallparish@gmail.com](mailto:kilmyshallparish@gmail.com).**

#### DESIGNATED SAFE GUARDING PEOPLE

**Bunclody:** Gertrude Rowlands 087 6847698.

**Kilmyshall:** Mary Mc Keown 086 8973152.