



Kingscourt Parish Bulletin



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<p>21st/22nd January Saturday 6pm: Kitty Connolly, Anniv. Peter & Kathleen Kieran, Anniv. Frank Charles, Anniv. Muff Vigil 7.30pm: Mass. Corlea 9am: Johnny & Mary McCabe & deceased family, Anniv. 10.30am: Eugene Carolan, Months Memory, Philomena Carolan & dec family, Anniv. Willie Power, Anniv. 12 Noon: Chris Cullen, Anniv. Andrea Murtagh, Anniv, Anna Corrigan & dec family, Anniv. Peter, Grace & PJ Gorman, Anniv.</p>	<p>28th /29th January Saturday 6pm: Anne Rafferty Fausto, First Anniversary. Muff Vigil 7.30pm: Terence Farrelly & deceased family, Anniv. Corlea 9am: Mass. 10.30am: Denise Lennon - Hosie, Months Memory. 12 Noon: Catholic Schools Week Mass.</p>
<p>Tuesday 10am: Mass Wednesday 10am: Grandparents Mass for Catholic Schools.</p>	<p>Thursday 10am: Rose Anyanwu, First Anniversary. Friday 10am: Mass.</p>

<p>The Parish Office</p> <p>Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord:</p> <p>Reborn through Baptism & The Holy Spirit:</p> <p>Planned Giving Boxes:</p> <p>Catholic Schools Week 2023:</p> <p>Parish Pastoral Planning:</p>	<p>THE PARISH OFFICE IS OPEN ON <u>MONDAY, TUESDAY, THURSDAY & FRIDAY</u> FROM 10.30AM TO 12.30PM. All bookings and enquiries can be made during these times. All notices to be included in the bulletin should be at The Parish Office <u>by 10.00a.m. on Thursday.</u></p> <p>May Corbally, Keenaghan, Joe Roe, Bawn, Sean Smith, Bawnboy, Ronan Roddy, Stranorlar.</p> <p>Congratulations to Bobby Joe McNally on his recent baptism. Baptisms take place on the 2nd and 4th Saturday of the month at 4p.m. in Kingscourt Church. The next baptism preparation meeting is on Thursday 2nd February 2023 at 8p.m. in The Parish Centre, with Team B. Please note ALL BAPTISMS TAKE PLACE IN Kingscourt.</p> <p>A very sincere word of thanks to all who are currently distributing the <u>Family Giving Boxes</u> to the homes of the parish these weeks. Your financial contribution has ensured that the current parish debt has been substantially reduced and we can now plan for the future. We are asking every family to accept one and help play their part in the maintenance and future development of the parish. Thanks to all those who so generously contribute on a weekly basis, many who give a yearly contribution and others who make online donation through PayPal. Every donation makes a difference and Thank You.</p> <p>This week we honour the unique contribution of our four Catholic schools during Catholic Schools Week whose theme is <u>Walking Together in Faith and Love</u>. This will culminate in a Catholic Schools Mass of Thanksgiving on Sunday next at 12noon in Kingscourt and all are welcome.</p> <p><u>The Parish Pastoral Planning Team</u> at their recent meeting made final arrangements for the forthcoming Ecumenical service, prepared St. Valentine's Mass and extended invitations. They began work on a new historical church booklet with publication due later in year. They noted the upcoming Safeguarding training for the parish in February.</p>
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<p>The New South Window and Ulster Saints Bronach, Colmcille and Killian:</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u><i>The South Window and Ulster Saints.</i></u></p> <p>The Rose Window with the use of symbolism shapes and colour, conveys the concern for environmental issues facing the world today and also the many conflicts across the world especially in Europe and Ukraine. The outer shapes symbolise nature with the stars representing Europe, the colours of Ukraine and Kingscourt Stars. The centre panel of the bird of Peace symbolises peace and hope for the future.</p> <p><u>St. Bronach</u> is a 6th century woman from Ireland and a disciple of Saint Patrick. She built a refuge for sailors who were shipwrecked in Carlingford Lough. The stained glass window also shows St Bronach ringing a bell to warn sailors of rising storms and dangerous waters in the lough. Her feast day is April 2nd.</p> <p><u>St. Colmcille</u> is the Patron Saint of Derry city. He was an Irish abbot and missionary evangelist who spread Christianity in the northern counties and in Scotland, founding many abbeys around Ireland and in Iona in Scotland. The stained-glass window tells the story of a period from the life of Colmcille when he was exiled from Ireland to Iona by the High King after a disagreement. After many years on Iona he was allowed to return to Donegal but on condition he cover his eyes. St. Colmcille is blindfolded with his hands raised and the dove in flight above his head which symbolises his name Colmcille and peace. In the background is Iona.</p> <p><u>St. Killian</u> is a 7th century saint from Cavan. He was an Irish missionary bishop and the Apostle of Franconia, Bavaria. He was born of noble parents at Cloughballybeg near Mullagh. He was beheaded at Würzburg in Germany. The stained-glass window shows St. Killian as a young man wearing a Bishops mitre and holding a sword which was the instrument of his martyrdom as in his statue in Wurzburg. The dog is included as a symbol of love and loyalty and called Willow.</p>
<p>Week of Prayer for Christian Unity:</p>	<p><u>The Annual Service of Prayer for Christian Unity</u> will take place on this Wednesday evening in Saint Ernan's Church of Ireland Church at 7.30p.m. and all are welcome. It will be led by Canon Ian Horner.</p>
<p>Saint Valentine's Jubilee Mass:</p>	<p>We cordially invite all couples who may have had their wedding outside of the parish and are celebrating a jubilee this year to please contact The Parish Office by February 1st. We would be delighted for you to take part in our annual <u>St. Valentine's Mass</u> on <u>Saturday 11th February</u> at 6p.m.</p>
<p>Cherishing Grandparents in Catholic Schools Week:</p>	<p>We invite all Grandparents to join with us at Wednesday Morning Mass as we celebrate and honour our Grandparents during Catholic Schools Week.</p>
<p>Supporting the parish:</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Plate €1539 Development Fund €2125 Many Thanks</p>

Community Notices

Congratulations to Rachel Burns on her achievements at the BT Young Scientist. St. Mary's Brass and Reed Band AGM on Sunday 5th February at 2p.m. in The Band Hall. AGM of Dun a Ri Golf Society takes place in Clarkes Corner Bar on Friday 27th January at 9.30p.m. Schools Enrolment for 2023/2024 continues until January 27th.

