

St Mary's Killyclogher, St Mary's Knockmoyle, Corpus Christi Mountfield, Christ The King Strathroy

MASS SCHEDULE

ST MARY'S CHURCH, KILLYCLOGHER

Sunday Mass: Vigil: 9am, 11am.

Daily Mass: Monday-Saturday at 10am

Confessions: Saturday after 10am Mass

Rosary: Monday-Saturday at 9.20am

Adoration: Friday after 10am Mass
until 3.30pm. Concluding with Divine
Mercy Chaplet

ST MARY'S CHURCH, KNOCKMOYLE

Daily Mass: Monday at 7.30pm

CHRIST THE KING CHURCH, STRATHROY

Sunday Mass: Vigil 6.30pm, 10am & 12noon

Daily Mass: Tues, Wed & Thurs at 7.30pm

Confessions: Saturday 5.45-6.15pm

Adoration: Wednesday after 7.30pm Mass until
9.30pm. Concluding with Night Prayer.
(Confessions are available during Adoration)

CORPUS CHRISTI CHURCH, MOUNTFIELD

Daily Mass: Friday at 7.30pm (no evening Mass on
Friday 25 December)

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(to be used in the case of an **emergency only**)

When we were exchanging greetings for Christmas and the New Year this time last year, none of us could have imagined the year that lay ahead. It has been, for all of us, in all age brackets, a year like none other! As 'church', in March this year, priests, parishioners and parishes everywhere had to adapt very quickly to becoming an 'online parish community', but I am proud that, in our parish, we have been a resilient faith community, united in spirit and acclimatising quickly to the ever-changing rules and restrictions. Thank you very much for all your help, co-operation and patience.

Christmas, as we know, may not be celebrated with all its usual traditions and trimmings this year and, in our churches, we will celebrate Christmas in smaller units than normal; this will not take away, however, from the joy and true meaning of Christmas, the great celebration of the birth of the Christ Child.

We wish you all peace and joy this Christmas. Special Christmas blessings on all the children of our parish, especially the children who were born and baptised into our parish faith community this year. Special blessings too on the couples who were united in the Sacrament of Marriage in our parish this year.

To all who are carrying the cross of sickness this Christmas, at home, in hospital or in nursing care, may the blessings of the Christ Child be a source of strength and comfort to you. Blessings on all who care for the sick. I think especially of those who have cared for Covid-19 patients this year and all in the caring profession who comforted the sick in hospital and residents in care homes who were unable to have family visiting because of the pandemic.

To the families in our parish who have suffered bereavement this year, may our prayerful support be a comfort to you at this time. May the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace. To those who have suffered in any way in recent times, we keep you in our thoughts and prayers.

Thank you most sincerely for your ongoing support and kindness, in so many different ways, not just at Christmas but throughout the year. It is much appreciated.

We pray that brighter days are not too far away, but it is most important for all of us, in the meantime, to stay safe, create a safe environment for others and abide by the restrictions in place for our benefit.

We look forward to journeying with you in faith in the coming year and to the day when the rules and restrictions in our churches, especially for our liturgies, can be safely lifted.

***May the blessings of the Christ Child be upon you all.
Fr Kevin & Fr Declan***

ANNIVERSARY MASS

Mon 21 Dec: Michael & Kathleen Montague, Castlevue / 10am / KC
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 Tues 22 Dec: Josephine McAleer, Arleston Rd / 10am / KC
 Wed 23 Dec: Kathleen Sally, St Julian's / 10am / KC
 Thur 24 Dec: Michael McGaughey, St Julian's Cottages / 7pm / KC
 Thur 24 Dec: *1st Aniv*: Marie McDevitt, Knocksilla Grove / 11pm / KC
 Fri 25 Dec: Catherine & Harry Melley & Peter Meenagh / 9am / KC
 Sat 26 Dec: Rose McAleer, Dunbreen Close / 6.30pm / CTK
 Sun 27 Dec: Tess McKernan, Glendore Wood / 9am / KC
 Sun 27 Dec: Patrick & Margaret Mayse, Castlevue Court / 11am / KC

PARISH OFFICE: The office will be closed from Wednesday 23rd December and reopen on Monday 4th January. In the event of an emergency ONLY, please phone the emergency mobile: 07561838455.

CONFESSIONS: There will be confessions this week after the morning and evening Masses on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES: It is with regret this year due to social distancing that you had to book for Christmas Mass. The places have now been allocated and we remind you that you should not come to a Christmas Mass, unless you have booked a space.

CHRISTMAS MASS LIVE ON WEBCAM: All Christmas Masses from St Mary's Church, Killyclogher will be broadcast Live via the webcam. Visit www.cappaghparish.com Select **WEBCAM** to view Mass from St Mary's Church, Killyclogher.

This option may be preferable to those who would feel more comfortable this year to participate in the Mass from home.

Mass Times from St Mary's, Killyclogher are: Christmas Eve: 7pm, 9pm and 11pm.
 Christmas Day: 9am and 11am.

MASS SCHEDULE AFTER CHRISTMAS: There will be no morning mass on St Stephen's Day. There will be no daily evening Mass the week of 28th Dec-1st Jan.

60th ANNIVERSARY: We offer our Congratulations to Fr Donal Bennett; who will celebrate the 60th Anniversary of his priestly ordination this Monday 21st December.

PARISH DRAW: There next draw will take place this Monday 21 December. There will be 4 draws (*includes additional Christmas Draw*).

CHRISTMAS MASS - TICKETS

- Tickets must now be collected from the Parish Hall, Killyclogher on Sunday 20th December from 10am-3pm.
- Please can we ask that 1 person in your group collects the tickets - to avoid crowding or delays in the hall. The hall has been marked out and we ask those collecting the tickets to maintain a safe social-distance at all times and wear a mask/face covering inside the hall.
- Tickets not collected will be re-allocated.

GUIDANCE FOR ATTENDANCE AT CHRISTMAS MASS

1. Anyone who is feeling unwell or displaying symptoms of COVID-19 should **not** attend Mass.
2. We ask that **masks/face coverings be worn in Church**.
3. On entry and exit of the Church, an usher will spray your hands **with sanitiser**.
4. Within the Church, please **remain in your allocated row**, along with your family/social group.
5. When entering and exiting the church please **maintain a safe social distance from others**.
6. When arriving and leaving Mass - please **do not gather outside**.
7. Please show your ticket/s (enclosed) to the usher at the Church door for admittance.
8. **Your ticket is the only sign that you have an allocated seat booked**. There will be no other way for ushers to check your booking and you will not be given admittance.