

KILRUSH PARISH NEWSLETTER

SUNDAY 1ST JANUARY 2012

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PRAY & PLAY ROTA

Sunday 01/01	Susan Bermingham, Avril Bolton, Rita McAnaspie, Mary Maguire
Sunday 08/01	Helen O'Brien, Fiona O'Brien, Deirdre Hehir, Lisa O'Sullivan
Sunday 15/01	Angela Bolton, Kay Deloughrey, Angie Bermingham, Blanaigh Troy
Sunday 22/01	Fiona Honan, Karen Honan, Kathleen McKiernan, Aisling Corcoran
Sunday 29/01	Linda O'Gorman, Siobhan Lyons, Mary Lyons, Bernie Crotty
Sunday 05/02	Helen Crowley, Nuala Flavin, Shirley Gilligan, Mary Gilligan
Sunday 12/02	Mary O'Sullivan, Marie Brew, Niamh Murray, Noreen Lynch
Sunday 19/02	Karen Soffe, Mary Bolton, Michelle Johnson, Mairead McInerney

Pray & Play at the 10.00am mass every Sunday

FAMILY PRAYER

We give thanks Lord God, who has blessed us with life and love. You have given us the gift of the family. Help us to nurture and protect, to guide and to love each other. Through the intercession of the Holy Family, Jesus, Mary & Joseph protect us. Give us wisdom and courage, joy and faithfulness in responding to our special vocation as a Christian family, so that we may help each other to grow in grace and love to the Glory of God.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS ROTA FOR 2012 The new rota for 2012 is now available. We would ask all Ministers of the Eucharist to pick up their copy from the Sacristy after mass today.

BAPTISMAL COURSE will take place Thursday 5th January @ 8.30pm in the Community Centre. Please contact the parish office @ 9051093

PRIEST COLLECTION Thanks to all who contributed to this collection last weekend. If you were away or forgot you can still hand in your contribution to any of the Priests.

READERS FOR JANUARY 2012

7.00pm	Mary B. McMahon	10.00am	Maura Carmody
12noon	Anne Hayes	Monmore	Brigid Kelly

NEW YEARS EVE CEREMONY

Our parish will close the year 2011 on Saturday 31st December - New Years' Eve with a special closing ceremony. This service will commence at 11.30pm in St. Senan's Church and will end at 12.05 on New Year's morning. We invite all parishioners to attend this special service when we give thanks for the many graces and blessings which have been given to us as we travel along the road of life. We know that many will enjoy the usual festivities but if you could spare some time to come to Church for this 35 minutes it would be the best way possible to start the New Year and to give thanks to God for all the blessings he has heaped on us. And you will still have plenty of time to enjoy the celebrations.

Light Refreshments will be served

FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY

Friday 6th January the Feast of the Epiphany, is a Holy Day of Obligation.

The following are Mass Times:

Kilrush:	Thursday 5th @ 7.30pm	Friday 6th @ 10.00am, 12noon & 7.30pm
Monmore:	Friday 6th @ 8.30am	

The Epiphany is of Greek origin and it means 'Appearance' the Roman Catholic Eastern & Anglican Churches celebrate the Feast on January 6th. The eastern churches recognise the Epiphany as the anniversary of the Baptism of Christ. The western Churches commemorates it principally, for the revelation of the Gentiles of Jesus as the Saviour, as portrayed by the coming of the Three Wise Men. In both eastern & western Churches it secondarily commemorates the Marriage of Cana, at which Christ performed his first miracle. Epiphany has been known to be celebrated earlier than AD 194, it is older than Christmas & has always been a festival of the highest rank. In Ireland it is better known as the Feast of Little Christmas or Nollag na Mban or Women's Christmas.

MASSES FOR THE COMING WEEK

Sunday 1st January—New Years Day

8.30am

10.00am

12noon Gerry Clancy late of Keane's Rd
Michael O'Dea late of Frances St

Monday 2nd January—10.00am

Tuesday 3rd January—10.00am

Wednesday 4th January-10.00am

Thursday 5th January –10.00am

7.30pm

Friday 6th January—Epiphany

8.30pm

10.00am Ita McMahon late of Ennis Road
John Joe & Ann McMahon
Mary B McMahon, St. Patrick's Tce

12noon Paddy O'Loughlin, Henry Street
Fr. John O'Brien

7.30pm

Saturday 7th January

10.00am

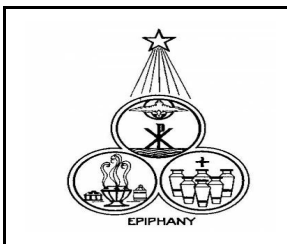
7.00pm Mary Keane late of Kilkee Road
Johnny & Ellen Carey, Crawford St
Deceased McNamara family, Ballykett
Teresa Keating late of Frances St &
deceased family members

Sunday 8th January

8.30am John Madigan late of Monmore

10.00am

12noon May Keating late of Burton Street



A NEW YEAR BRINGS A NEW BEGINNING

As the new year starts and old year ends,
There's no better time for making amends
For all the things we sincerely regret
And wish in our hearts we could somehow forget.
We all make mistakes—it's human to err -
But no one need ever give up in despair,
For God gives us all a brand new beginning,
A chance to start over and repent on our sinning....
And when God forgives us, we too must forgive
And resolve to do better each day that we live
By constantly trying to be like Him more nearly
And to trust in His wisdom and to love Him more dearly—
Assured that we're never out of His care
And we're always welcome to seek Him in prayer.

NEW SHANAKYLE & ALL SAINTS

As a result of the horses being left into the graveyards, Clare Co. Council had no alternative but to put a lock on the main gate. However the lock will be opened from 10am—4pm sharp each day for the next few weeks.

SEWING CLASSES

Learn how to use a sewing machine and how to do alterations and other attractive sewing projects. 7 lessons will start Sat 21st January 2012 9.30am - 11am in Youth centre Kilrush. For more information please contact: Susanna 085 1243 416

NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION TO VOLUNTEER

The 50th International Eucharistic Congress are delighted to announce that they have now over 700 registered volunteers from all over Ireland and continue their call to volunteers as more are needed. Recently, the first volunteer induction training sessions were held and there will be more induction training sessions in January. Why not make it your News Years' resolution to volunteer. Register now and make a difference!

IEC2012 ON FACEBOOK

The 50th International Eucharistic Congress invites you to join the preparations to the Congress via Facebook. Through their social media, the Congress team are making available news, photos, videos, reflections, interesting links, website updates, spiritual resources and much more! Go to www.facebook.com/IEC2012 and press "like". You are also welcome to subscribe to the IEC2012 online newsletter to keep up to date with all the latest Congress news on www.iec2012.ie/subscribe

WHY NOT STUDY THEOLOGY IN 2012

The Dominican Order is offering a distance learning theology programme leading to a range of possible qualifications from certificate level up to honours degree. Contact : The Priory Institute, Tallaght Village, Dublin 24. Tel: 01 4048124 enquiries@prioryinstitute.com

**ST. SENAN'S SUPER LOTTO DRAW
WILL RETURN ON MONDAY 9TH JANUARY 2012
AT O'LOONEY'S.**

JACKPOT €7,000

**WISHING YOU ALL A HAPPY NEW YEAR & WE LOOK
FORWARD TO YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT.**