

KILRUSH PARISH NEWSLETTER – SUNDAY 21ST JUNE 2026

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BASKET & ENVELOPE COLLECTIONS 14/06/2026

Basket: €1,000 Envelope: €860 Priest Collection: €740 Online: €95

A PRAYER FOR FATHERS

Heavenly Father, you entrusted your Son Jesus, the child of Mary, to the care of Joseph, an earthly father. Bless all fathers as they care for their families. Give them strength and wisdom, tenderness and patience; support them in the work they have to do, protecting those who look to them, as we look to you for love and salvation, through Jesus Christ our rock and defender. **Amen.**

WEEKDAY READERS ROTA

22nd June Sr. Mary
29th June Frances
6th July Peggy
13th July Gearoid



RECENTLY BAPTISED

We welcome into the Christian Community

Seanán Blunnie & Micheál O'Brien



KILLALOE & FERNS DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK SHRINE

takes place on Sun 5th July. Please contact the Parish Office on 089-4026161. Bus price is €25 per adult and €15 per child.



DATE FOR THE DIARY

The annual Mass on Scattery Island will take place on Sunday the 9th of Aug at 3pm. Book with *Scattery Island Tours* at Kilrush Marina or online at <https://scatteryislandtours.com/book-now/>



EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS ROTA

Sat 20th June @ 6.30pm

Michael Hogan, Suzanne O'Shea

Sun 21st June @ 9.00am

Ann O'Donoghue, Paul Moroney

12noon Ann Vaughan, Emer McGrath

Sat 27th June @ 6.30pm

Stephanie Roughan, Catherine Minter

Sun 28th June @ 9.00am

Joan Lyons, Mary Clancy

12noon Delores Blunnie, Caroline Howard

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS DAILY ROTA

June 22nd Loretta Maher

June 29th Mary O'Mahony

July 6th Dolores Blunnie

July 13th Teresa Lyons



RECENTLY MARRIED

Congratulations to **Gavin Higgins & Shannon McInerney** who were married in St. Senan's Church on **12th June 2026**



50/50 DRAW

Congratulations to **A, A & S** who won €206. Next draw is Saturday 27th June after the 6.30pm mass.



POPE LEO'S ENCYCLICAL MAGNIFICA HUMANITAS –

In chapter two of the encyclical Pope Leo explores how Catholic Social Teaching gives us a framework through which we can reflect on the rights and duties of each person in this time of radical change. Pope Leo calls us to promote an integral human development, which calls us to promote every person and all dimensions of life, including the spiritual, social and ecological. At the heart of this teaching is a belief in the innate dignity of each person who we believe is made in the image and likeness of God. This belief is central in underpinning our understanding of human rights. This is why we have a responsibility to protect individuals, families and communities against any excessive concentration of power even if this is expressed through the development of *artificial intelligence*. In this regard Pope Leo reminds us that we need to support each other as "no one is saved on their own".

I LOVE YOU, DAD

and I know we don't always say it. You're from a world where men couldn't exactly express how they feel. But you've always shown it – A father who's consistent is heroic. You've been here without fail whether I just needed a lift to training or you were putting us beneath the arm of your coat when it was raining. Helping us with your homework despite a long day at work yourself, cooking every night before mom got home was how you showed us your loved her as well. It's never been big gestures, and it never had to be. Steady brushstrokes and reliability was how you painted your masterpiece. Turning up for your children everyday of our lives is how you show your love and so I – I just wanted to say I love you, too. And if I ever have girls, or boys, I know you'll show you love them in your own way as a grandfather too.

Daragh Fleming 2026

EXAM STUDENTS

As the State Examinations slowly draw to their conclusion we continue to keep the exam students of our parish in our prayers. May they be gifted the endurance needed in these final stages of their examinations and as they begin a well-earned break may God keep all the young people of our parish safe this summer.

FAMILY MASS practice on **Tues the 23rd** at 5.30 in St. Senan's Church, Kilrush.

Please come along and if you have a musical instrument bring it along. There will be a Family Mass on Sat the 27th of June at 6.30 to celebrate the gift of summer and asking God's protection on all our young people over the summer holiday.



On this Father's Day we pray God's blessing on all our Fathers and Grandfathers.

Parish Safeguarding Representatives: Niamh Bell & Mary Ryan

REMEMBERED IN MASS THIS WEEK



Pray for: Avril Brand late of Tullabrack & Maura Buggle
Prophet late of Moore St who died in New York
May they rest in peace

Months Mind Mass

Leo Gildea late of Dublin & Kilrush
Mass Thursday 25th June @ 10.00am

Saturday 20th June

6.30pm Gerard & Mary Daly late of Griffin Road
Sonny & Rose Carey & family late of Ballykett
Paddy & Bridie Frawley late of Vandeleur St
Paddy & Maureen Flanagan, Vandeleur Street
Kevin O'Dea late of Vandeleur Street
Larry Farrell late of Drogheda
Private Intention
Jack McInerney & family late of Moore Street
Private Intention
John & Mary Shannon late of Nagles Terrace &
Lourda Shannon

Sunday 21st June

9.00am Michael (Gaston) O'Gorman late of Keane's Rd
12noon Edel & John Kelly late of Wood Road
James Sheridan late of Kilrush & Canada
Sean Downes late of St. Patrick's Terrace

Monday 22nd June—10.00am

Patrick (Paddy) Flanagan late of Crawford Street

Tuesday 23rd June— 10.00am

Wednesday 24th June—10.00am

Thursday 25th June – 10.00am

Leo Gildea late of Dublin & Kilrush
Private Intention

Friday 26th June—10.00am Lay Led Liturgy

Saturday 27th June

6.30pm Ollie Kelly late of Griffin Road
Mary Daly late of John Street
Gerry O'Donnell late of Nagles Terrace
Patrick Molohan late of Nagles Terrace

Sunday 28th June

9.00am Caroline Crowley late of Carnanes
12noon Jimmy & Ann McKiernan late of Cappa
Tom Grogan late of Parknamoney



KILRUSH SHAMROCKS GAA DRAW

Numbers Drawn: 03, 19, 26, 29

3 Match 3 Winners: Suzanne O'Shea, Brian
Scanlan & Margaret Ryan

Next draw Sunday 21st June **Jackpot: €5,900**

WEST CLARE FRC ACTIVITIES FOR THE OVER 55'S

QUIZ TIME – Thursday 25th June @ 2.30pm. Challenge your memory and general knowledge while having fun!

ART EXHIBITION – Our Art Group are exhibiting some of their paintings in Bowman's Lane for the month of June! Go along and have a look. The paintings are all for sale. For further information please contact us on 065 9052173

BEAT THE DARKNESS

Charity walk raising funds for MS Ireland & West Clare Mental Health Association. Join us in the early hours as we walk until sunrise. Venue : Bandstand Kilkee, Time 4.45am, Date : August 2nd Book via Eventbrite " Beat the Darkness" This event is run in conjunction with Evan Garvey Fitness

SUMMER FESTIVAL

at Vandeleur Walled Garden from Fri June 26 to Sun June 28, 2026.

Led by singer Brian Kennedy, the Kilfenora Céilí Band & beloved Kerry comedian Bernard Casey. Local favourite Patrick Roche will bring his much-loved afternoon dancing session on Sunday. Younger visitors are in for a treat with the return of Poppy's Bee-ology Show – a joyful mix of juggling, storytelling, puppetry, and science that celebrates the secret life of bees. For more information and tickets visit www.vandeleurwalledgarden.ie



SUMMER SPANISH WORKSHOP for adult beginners at Kilrush Community Centre V15VK31 Wednesdays 1st & 8th July from 6-8pm. Only 10 places available. €25 per workshop. Email: intispanishacademy@gmail.com



IRISH SIGN LANGUAGE TOUR OF SCATTERY ISLAND

On Thursday June 25th, your OPW tour guide accompanied by and Irish Sign Language interpreter will take you on an informative tour of Scattery Island. Ferry departing at 11am. Bookings at www.scatteryislandtours.co or 085 250 5514

BOOK LAUNCH

The launch of Lords and Masters: Celebrating Kilrush Shamrocks Historic Five-in-a-Row 1975-1979 will take place on Saturday, 27 June, from 11.00am to 12.30pm at the Vandeleur Walled Garden. Entry is free and all are welcome. Attendees can enjoy music and light refreshments in what promises to be a fitting celebration of a proud sporting legacy.



KILRUSH SHAMROCKS GAA FAMILY FUN DAY

at the Cricket Field, Sunday 28th June from 12noon-

3pm. €20 per family (includes

voucher for BBQ). Bouncing

castle, Face painting, Penalty

shoot out (football), Penalty

shoot out (hurling), Fun games

& BBQ. **FUN FOR ALL FAMILY**

