

**KILRUSH PARISH NEWSLETTER— SUNDAY 24TH DECEMBER 2023**  
**INIS CATHAIGH PASTORAL AREA**



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**OH HOLY NIGHT**



**HEAVENLY FATHER**

May our Christmas season be a time of reconciliation & peace. May the love of Christ be with us, may His peace surround us. May our Christmas be a time of healing, giving & sharing. May your spirit be with us, as we share & care in Jesus blessed birth. **Amen**

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS ROTA**

*Christmas Eve*

**Sun 24th @ 6pm** Caroline Bolton, Mary Clancy & Brian Clancy

**@ 9pm** Stephanie Roughan, Suzanne O'Shea & Michael Hogan

*Christmas Day*

**Sun 25th @ 9am** Joan Lyons

**12noon** Emer McGrath, Carol Clynch, Sr. Noreen

**Sat 30th @ 7pm** Mary Watson, Michael Hogan

**Sun 31st @ 9am** Mary Clancy

**12noon** Seamus Burke, Teresa Lyons

**BASKET & ENVELOPE COLLECTION 10/12/23**

**Envelope:** €1,145 **Basket:** €665 **Online:** €130

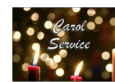
**WEEKDAY READERS** 25th Peggy 1st Jan Gearoid  
 8th Sr. Mary 15th Zennie 22nd Frances

**CHRISTMAS COLOURING COMPETION**

Congratulations to the following winners:

4-6 years Aoife Cunningham 6-8 years Claire McMahon  
 8-10 years Emily Cunningham 10-12 years Heidi Browne  
 Please pick up your prize from the Sacristy this weekend.

**CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE**



St. Senan's Parish Choir will lead us in song with many favourite Christmas Carols this Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> December at 4pm in St. Senan's Church.

**NEW YEARS EVE CEREMONY**

"Pray out the Old Year Pray in The New Year" Our parish will close the year 2023 on Sun 31st Dec with a special closing ceremony at 11.30pm in St. Senan's Church and will end at 12.05 on New Year's morning.

We extend a warm welcome to join with us for 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. 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.

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS DAILY ROTA**

Jan 1st Ann Vaugh Jan 8th Loretta Maher Jan 15th Mary O'Mahony  
 Jan 22nd Teresa Lyons Jan 29th Mary Moody

**FEAST OF THE HOLY INNOCENTS**

On Thurs 28th Dec we celebrate the feast of the Holy Innocents. We remember all the little children who died by the order of King Herod. On Thursday evening at 7pm we will celebrate a Mass during which we will honour and remember all babies who died during pregnancy, around the time of birth or after birth. We will honour them by calling their names & lighting a candle. If a name was not chosen we will say "Baby & Family Name". A book will be placed in the church where the names can be written. We extend a warm welcome to this special time of remembrance during the Christmas journey.

**PRIESTCHRISTMAS COLLECTION** will take place at all Masses on Christmas & Christmas Day. We sincerely thank you for your extreme generosity throughout the year. Envelope available in your box of envelopes & envelopes are available at the church doors.

**MASS ROTA**

**SAT EVE DEC 23RD**

KILRUSH 6.30PM  
 KNOCKERRA 8.00PM

**SUNDAY DEC 24TH**

KILRUSH 6.00PM  
 KNOCKERRA 6.00PM  
 CREE 6.30PM  
 COORACLARE 8.00PM  
 KILMIHIL 7.00PM  
 KILRUSH 9.00PM

**CHRISTMAS DAY**

KILRUSH 9.00AM  
 KILLIMER 10.30AM  
 COORACLARE 10.30AM  
 KILMIHIL 11.00AM  
 KILRUSH 12NOON



**SAT EVE DEC 30TH**

KILRUSH 6.30PM  
 KNOCKERRA 8.00PM

**SUNDAY DEC 31ST**

KILRUSH 9.00AM  
 COORACLARE 10.30AM  
 KILMIHIL 11.00AM  
 KILRUSH 12NOON

**SAT EVE JAN 6TH**

KILRUSH 6.30PM  
 CREE 8.00PM

**SUNDAY JAN 7TH**

KILRUSH 9.00AM  
 KILLIMER 10.30AM  
 KILMIHIL 11.00AM  
 KILRUSH 12NOON

**ADORATION OF THE**

**BLESSED SACRAMENT** will not take place on Thurs 21<sup>st</sup> Dec / Fri 22<sup>nd</sup> Dec/ Thurs 28<sup>th</sup> / Fri 29<sup>th</sup> Dec. Blessed Sacrament Chapel will reopen on Thurs 4<sup>th</sup> Jan 2024. Sincere thanks to all who give of their time in prayer every Thurs & Fri. Every blessing for the Christmas & much happiness in 2024.

**Parish Safeguarding Representatives:** Aishling Horgan

## REMEMBERED IN MASS THIS WEEK



**Pray for:** Mary Grogan nee Lahiff late of Ballyurra, PJ O'Dea late of Vandeleur Street who died in Chicago, Mairead Burrige nee Grogan late of Australia & Gowerhass & Anna Small late of Baltimore USA  
**May they rest in peace**

### Saturday 23rd December

**6.30pm** Terry Muschamp late of Nagles Terrace  
Stephen & Eileen O'Brien late of Carnanes  
Billy, Maggie & William Shields  
Josephine Galvin late of Island View & Moyasta  
Brendan Crowley & family late of Monmore House  
Stephen, Bridget, Martin, John & Patrick Casey late of Crawford Street  
Mary & John Shannon & family late of Nagles Terrace  
Bernie & Noel Burke late of Tullabrack  
Dolores Danaher late of Hector St & Crawford St

### Sunday 24th December—Christmas Eve

**6pm** Family Mass

**9pm** Christmas Vigil



### Monday 25th December—Christmas Day

**9am**

**12noon**

### Tuesday 26th December—10.00am

**Christmas Mass Bouquet mass**

Holy Souls

### Wednesday 27th December—10.00am

**Christmas Mass Bouquet mass**

Charles W. Glynn late of Frances Street  
Sheila Glynn late of Leadmore

### Thursday 28th December—10.00am

**Christmas Mass Bouquet mass**

Martina O'Dea late of Kilrush  
John (Jackie) & Teresa Wilson late of Labasheeda

### Friday 29th December—10.00am

Holy Souls

### Saturday 30th December

**6.30pm** John Hickey late of High Street

### Sunday 31st December—New Years Eve

**9am** Bridget & Patrick Lynch  
Lizzy Roche & Daisy Griffin  
Chris & Christina Dixon

**12noon** Pat Durack late of Ennis Road  
Deceased members of Eir & An Post



## KILRUSH FOOTBALL CLUB—LOTTO

Numbers Drawn: 08,03,22,01

**Match 3 Winners:** Sinead O'Gorman, Mary McKeown  
Lynch & Louise McKiernan

**Next Draw Sunday 24th December. Jackpot: €4,700**

### CAHERCALLA HOSPICE DRAW 19/12/23

1st Prize €650— Rose Enright, Inch

2nd Prize €200— Kim Kennedy, Limerick



**CHRISTMAS DAY CHARITY SWIM AT CAPP** The annual Christmas Day Charity Swim will take place on Christmas morning 25th December at 10.30am at Cappa Pier. PLEASE SUPPORT



### WEST CLARE TURKEY RUN, Vandeleur Woods, Kilrush, St. Stephen's

**Day** Please join us for our charity 5K FUN

jog, walk, crawl on St. Stephen's Day at 11am sharp. **Voluntary contributions** welcome on the morning, our beneficiary is Kilrush St. Patrick's Day Festival.



**WEST CLARE CANCER CENTRE** With Christmas fast approaching we would like to let you know that we will still be here if you need us. We will close Christmas Day and St Stephen's day. We will be open again on the 27th, 28th and 29th and closed on Monday 1st and then back to business as normal on January 2nd. Please don't hesitate to call us, email us or drop us a direct message on our social media platforms at any stage. Tel: 065 9060762 or email: westclarecancercentre@gmail.com

### ENVELOPES 2024

The new boxes of envelopes for 2024 are now ready for distribution. We would gratefully appreciate if the people who usually give them out would call to the Sacristy after mass to collect same. Sincere thanks to all those who have already collected theirs. We know it's a busy time for everyone so we appreciate all your help.



### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

A sincere thanks to all have contributed so generously to the recent St. Vincent De Paul Collection. All the contributions received helped to make a better Christmas for many families.

### RECENTLY MARRIED

*Congratulations to*  
**Donal Madigan & Rachel Costello**  
*Who were married in St. Senan's Church on*  
**16th December 2023**

