

KILRUSH PARISH NEWSLETTER - SUNDAY 11TH JANUARY 2026



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EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

12th Jan Mary O'Mahoney
19th Jan Dolores Blunnie
26th Jan Teresa Lyons

WEEKDAY READERS ROTA

12th Jan Frances
19th Jan Peggy
26th Jan Gearoid
2nd Feb Sr. Mary

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS ROTA

Sat 10th Jan @ 6.30pm

Mary Watson, Michael Hogan

Sun 11th Jan @ 9.00am

Ann Marie McGreene & Ann O'Donoghue

12noon Roisin Horgan, Carol Lynch

Sat 17th Jan @ 6.30pm

Suzanne O'Shea, Stephanie Roughan

Sun 18th Jan @ 9.00am

Paul Moroney, Joan Lyons

12noon Emer McGrath, Caroline Howard

FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD – A TIME TO REFLECT ON OUR OWN BAPTISM

This is the day for us to remember the graces we have received in Baptism and to renew our Baptismal promises: On the day of our Baptism, as Pope St. John Paul II explains, "We were anointed with the Oil of Catechumens, the sign of Christ's gentle strength, to fight against evil. Blessed water was poured over us, an effective sign of interior purification through the gift of the Holy Spirit. We were then anointed with Chrism to show that we were thus consecrated in the image of Jesus, the Father's Anointed One. The candle lighted from the Paschal Candle was a symbol of the light of Faith which our parents and godparents must have continually safeguarded and nourished with the life-giving grace of the Spirit." This is also a day for us to renew our Baptismal promises, consecrating ourselves to the Holy Trinity and "rejecting Satan and all his empty promises," which our profane world is constantly offering us through its mass-media of communication. Let us ask Our Lord today to make us faithful to our Baptismal promises. Let us thank Him for the privilege of being joined to His mission of preaching the "Good News" by our transparent Christian lives of love, mercy, service and forgiveness.

Congratulations!

To David & Aisling Moran who won €645 in our Christmas Bonus Draw.

Thanks to everyone who participated & made it such a success. Our usual 50/50 draw will take place this Saturday evening after the 6.30pm mass.

ENVELOPES 2026

Sincere thanks to all those who have collected their Boxes of Envelopes for 2026 & to those who distributed others in their area. There are still a number of Boxes waiting to be collected and delivered. Please call to the Sacristy for these.

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

The Lay Led Liturgy will now take place on Friday. From January the weekday Mass schedule will be as follows:

Monday 10.00

Tuesday 10.00

Wednesday 10.00

Thursday 10.00

Friday Lay Led Liturgy

On days when there is a funeral Mass there will be no Mass at 10.00 and the daily Mass that day will be the Funeral Mass at 11.00.

PRAYER FOR NEW BEGINNINGS

Dear God, I need a new beginning in my life. I ask you to **empower and motivate my heart to believe that a new beginning is possible**. You are the Alpha and Omega, the First and the Last, the God of new beginnings and the God who writes all ends...Thank you for being the Lord of fresh starts. **Help me for get what is behind me and strain toward what is ahead**. Give me a fresh vision for the future and help me trust Your goodness and love. **Help me cultivate a joyful expectation that goodness is coming**. Help me not to **despise my small beginnings** but to rejoice in them, knowing that the small steps I take towards renewal bring you joy, too. **Give me wisdom** to discern which first steps I need to take, **and power** to carry them out. I pray for your provision — give me the resources and support I need along the way. I know that you want me to succeed, move on, and grow. I thank you for the vision and provision. Help me know you as the **God of my new beginning**. Amen

IRISH RED CROSS CLARE will hold their annual church gate collection in Kilrush & Knockerra parishes on this week end 17th & 18th. All Funds in Aid of a New Ambulance. Supporting the People of Co. Clare

REMEMBERED IN MASS THIS WEEK

Pray for: Pa O'Mahony late of Monmore, Ann Slattery nee Moore late of Moyne Court, Senan Blunnie late of Station House, Paddy Mullen who died in America & Sr. Maureen Frawley who was buried in Nenagh.

May they rest in peace

Months Mind Mass

Sean O'Brien late of Carnanes
Mass Sunday 11th January @ 12noon
Peter Keating late of Malthouse Lane
Mass Sunday 11th January @ 12noon
Finbarr O'Shea late of Breaffa
Mass Saturday 17th January @ 6.30pm
Sr. Moira Frawley Srs of St. Francis Philadelphia & Gowerhass
Mass Saturday 17th January @ 6.30pm

1st Anniversary Mass

Mary Howard late of Pella Road
Mass Sunday 18th January @ 12noon

Saturday 10th January

6.30pm Chris Halpin & Neill Woodward
Private Intention

Sunday 11th January

9.00am

12noon Sean O'Brien late of Carnanes
Peter Keating late of Malthouse Lane
Ronald Thompson late of Dublin
PJ Clancy late of Moore Street
Pakie Brennan late of St. Patrick's Terrace

Monday 12th January -10.00am

Cullinan Family

Tuesday 13th January— 10.00am Feast of the Epiphany

Wednesday 14th January—10.00am

Ian Corcoran late of Carnanes

Thursday 15th January—10.00am

Friday 16th January—10.00 Lay Led Liturgy

Saturday 17th January

6.30pm Finbarr O'Shea late of Breaffa
Sr. Moira Frawley Srs of St. Francis late of Philadelphia & Gowerhass
Peig Martin late of Moore Street
Dodo, Jackie & Paul Kelly late of Henry Street
Marie & Michael Clohessy late of Tullabrack
Louis & Margaret Quinlivan, Gower & Tullabrack

Sunday 18th January

9.00am

12noon Mary Howard late of Pella Road
Anna Mahony late of Shannon Heights
Margaret Danaher late of Pella Road
Michael Mulqueen late of Ballykett & deceased
Mulqueen & Mescall families
Daniel, Brigid, Collette, Gerard & George
Hamilton late of Vandeleur Street
Tessie Lynch nee O'Dea late of Vandeleur St



KILRUSH SHAMROCKS LOTTO DRAW

RESULTS

Numbers Drawn: 17, 29, 04, 12

5 Lucky dip winners: John Ryan, Marie Browne, Jim Young, Sinead White & Michelle Johnson.

Next draw Sunday 11th January after 6.30pm

Jackpot: €3,700

WEST CLARE FRC ACTIVITIES FOR THE OVER 55'S

Please note all the activities will recommence on Tuesday 13th January 2026. We would like to take this opportunity to wish all of our participants a very Happy New Year and look forward to welcoming you back

THANK YOU

The RNLI would like to express their sincere thanks to the continued support of the Community, the Folk Group for carol singing on Christmas Eve and all those who took part in the Christmas Day swim. The donations during the Christmas Swim amounted to €2,750 (split between RNLI and Regina House (€1,375). All donations make such a difference to our Lifesaving work, for which we are most grateful.



INIS CATHAIGH COMHALTAS

Branch thanks everyone for their contribution to the Wren on St Stephen's day. The proceeds of €1000 was presented to West Clare Cancer. Mile Buiochas to all who assisted and contributed.

WEST CLARE CANCER CENTRE

8K Run/Walk will take place on Sunday, 25th January in Kilkee. Walkers will meet at 12.30pm with a 1.00pm start, and runners will meet at 1.00pm with a 1.30pm start. All funds raised remain in Clare and support individuals and families within our local community. Registration is €20 and all are welcome

ONLINE CHAIR YOGA CLASSES

Kilrush Library are hosting a series of online Chair Yoga classes with Yoga Teacher Trish Cleary on : Friday 16th & 23rd January @ 11am & Friday 6th & 13th February @ 11am. Classes are Free, you must have access to zoom to join them. Contact kilrush@clarelibrary.ie or 065 9051504 to get the zoom link.



ATTENTION FARMERS

Would you like bee hives on your land this summer? Helping biodiversity, pollination and positive mental health. Run by fully qualified Clare Beekeepers and award winning honey producers. Limited number of hives available.

Call 087 9777011 for more info.

MICHAEL ENGLISH

will be in Concert in Mullagh Church on Sunday 25th of January at 8pm. The show is in aid of the recent work done on Star of the Sea Church Quilty. Tickets are €30 (cash only) on sale from Quilty Post Office and KIB Parish Office or online

<https://www.universe.com/events/michael-english-church-concert-st-marys-church-mullagh-clare-tickets-DKNF4T?ref=universe-discover>