

KILRUSH PARISH NEWSLETTER – SUNDAY 24TH MAY 2026

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PRAYER BEFORE EXAMS

O God, help me during my examinations.
To remember the things which I have
learned and studied.

Help me to remember well and to think
clearly. Help me not to be so nervous, or
excited that I will do myself an injustice.

Keep me calm and clear headed.

Help me try my hardest and to do my
very best.

Amen

ROSARY AT THE GROTTA

For the month of May there is Rosary at the Grotto each
evening (Sun-Fri) @ 7pm. Saturday evening @ 6pm.



LEAVING CERT GRADUATION

On Wednesday Fr. Michael celebrated the
Graduation Mass for the students of Kilrush
Community School. It was a celebration in which the
students acknowledged their journey since commencing in
Kilrush Community School while looking ahead to the future
and asking God's blessing and guidance. We congratulate the
students, staff and parents of this years Graduation Class.
We keep them and their families in our prayers.

WEEKDAY READERS ROTA

25th May Sr. Mary

1st June Frances

8th June Peggy

15th June Gearoid

KILLALOE & FERNS DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK SHRINE

takes place on Sun 5th July. We are inviting new members from the
parishes and communities to consider attending our pilgrimage. The Ark
Children's Club at the HUB is available for those coming with small children
(open Wed-Sun). Anyone interested in travelling to Knock 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 is scheduled to take
place on Sunday the 9th of August at 15.00. Nearer to the
time you can book a place on the ferry through *Scattery Is-
land Tours* at the Marina



EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS ROTA

Sat 23rd May @ 6.30pm

Michael Hogan, Stephanie Roughan

Sun 24th May @ 9.00am

Joan Lyons, Mary Clancy

12noon Ann Vaughan, Emer McGrath

Sat 30th May @ 6.30pm

Suzanne O'Shea, Catherine Minitier

Sun 31st May @ 9.00am

Ann Marie McGreene, Ann O'Donoghue

12noon Dolores Blunnie, Caroline Howard

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS DAILY ROTA

May 25th Dolores Blunnie

NATIONAL BIODIVERSITY WEEK

Re-committing to the 'Return to Nature Clare Church Biodiversity Project'

This week we celebrated National Biodiversity Week where we explored the
rich variety of life in Ireland. As a parish we have committed to work with
Clare Co. Council as part the '*Return to Nature Clare Church Biodiversity
Project*'. The project came about in 2023 when the Irish
Bishops' Conference agreed on a policy that parishes would
return 30% of church grounds to nature by 2030. If you
would be interested in getting involved in this project,
please give you name into the Parish Office so that we as a
parish can reach our 2030 target of 30% of church grounds being returned
to nature.



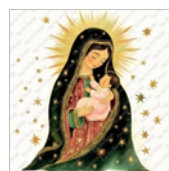
MAY THE MONTH OF OUR LADY

Regina Caeli

The Regina Caeli ("Queen of Heaven") is an
ancient Latin Marian hymn and prayer
traditionally recited or sung by Catholics
during the Easter season. It replaces
the *Angelus* prayer from Easter Sunday until
Pentecost Sunday. The prayer is a joyful
celebration of the Resurrection of Jesus
Christ and asks for the intercession of the
Virgin Mary. It reads:

**Queen of Heaven, rejoice, alleluia.
For He whom you did merit to bear,
alleluia.**

**Has risen, as He said, alleluia.
Pray for us to God, alleluia.**



GRAVEYARD MASSES 2026

Monday 8th June Breaffa @ 7.30pm

Tuesday 9th June Kilcarroll @ 7.30pm

Wednesday 10th June Churchyard @ 7.30pm

Thursday 11th June Old Shanakyle @ 7.30pm

Friday 12th June New Shanakyle/ All Saints @ 7.30pm

REMEMBERED IN MASS THIS WEEK



Months Mind Mass

Michael Lane late of Shannon Heights
Mass Saturday 23rd May @ 6.30pm

1st Anniversary Mass

Tracey O'Gorman late of Woodfield
Mass Saturday 23rd May @ 6.30pm

Saturday 23rd May

6.30pm Tracey O'Gorman late of Woodfield
Michael Lane late of Shannon Heights
Michael Tevlin late of O'Gorman Street
Doreen Howard late of Frances Street
Private Intention
Gerry Brennan late of Cappa
John & Margaret Cuggeran late of Stewart Street
Tom, Noreen & John McDermott late of O'Gorman St
Jackie & Mary O'Brien late of Henry Street
Mary Malone late of Ballyurra

Sunday 24th May

9.00am Michael Gilligan late of Moyne
Mary Hehir late of Monmore

12noon Helen Whalley late of St. Patrick's Terrace
Raymond Clancy late of Vandeleur Street
Aidan Cahill late of Dooneen Park
Maisie & Jack Cahill late of Dublin & Woodlodge
Gerald & Benny Cahill, England & Woodlodge
Grace Considine late of Vandeleur Street
Mary, James, Pat & Seamus Liddane, Moore St
Flan Brew late of Henry Street

Monday 25th May—10.00am

Tuesday 26th May— 10.00am

Pat Griffin
Sean Cleary

Wednesday 27th May—10.00am

Thursday 28th May— 10.00am

Friday 29th May—10.00am Lay Led Liturgy

Saturday 30th May

6.30pm Patrick (Pakie) Cussen late of Woodfield
James J O'Reilly late of Virginia USA
Paddy Durack late of Ennis Road
Joe Griffin late of Doonbeg Road

Sunday 31st May

9.00am

12noon

KILRUSH SHAMROCKS GAA DRAW

Numbers Drawn: 06, 08, 17, 31
5 Lucky Dip Winners; Rosie Jenkins, Pat O'Donoghue,
Dylan O'Brien, Michael Slattery & Rian Bermingham
Next draw Sunday 24th May
Jackpot: €5,600

WEST CLARE FRC ACTIVITIES FOR THE OVER 55'S

Please note all the activities below take place in Kilrush
Community Centre, unless otherwise specified.

QUIZ TIME – Thursday 28th May @ 2.30pm. Challenge
your memory and general knowledge while having fun! For
further information please contact us on 065 9052173

BINGO

Kilrush Shamrocks Football Club are holding a fundraising
Bingo night this Thursday 28th May in Community centre
Kilrush at 8.30pm, doors opening at 7.30pm.

BABY MASSAGE

Only 2 Places left to fill on Clarecare's Preparing for
Life Infant Baby Massage Classes. Five FREE weekly
classes will start on Monday, the 8th of June, 2026
from 10.30am to 12.00pm in Glebe House, (V15 DT67)

CLARECARE OVER 65S

is now up and running Monday to Thursday each week.
In the interim we will be hosting this from the Vandeleur
walled garden. If interested, please contact Caroline on
0868328575

VANDELEUR WALLED GARDEN

Biodiversity Week

Join us for a nature filled workshop where little
explorers ramble through our biodiversity garden.

Build your own mini insect Inn using recycled &
sustainable materials. This Saturday 23rd May at
11am. Cost €10 ages 4 -12years. Spaces are lim-
ited, book at bookings.vandeleurwalledgarden.ie

West Clare Family Resource Centre

If you like what we do for the Community and would
like to help us keep on doing it, you can nominate us
for the Health & Wellbeing Special Draw - closing
date is this Sunday 24th May!

[https://movementforgood.com/.../special/
health-wellbeing...](https://movementforgood.com/.../special/health-wellbeing...)

Enter "West Clare Family Resource Centre" and click
on the search button, then click on our name. It
takes only 2 minutes! Or visit our Facebook page.
Thank you for your support