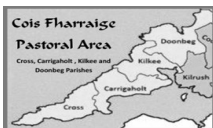




# Kilkee Parish Newsletter

Sunday 25th January 2026



Website: www.kilkeeparish.com  
Email: office@kilkeeparish.com  
Parish Office: 065-9056580

**Alcoholics Anonymous:**  
Contact no's :  
**AA: Margaret M @**  
**087-1632643**  
**Al-Anon: 01-8732699**  
**087- 6899112**

**Society of St Vincent de Paul**  
Our confidential phone no is **086-2289868**  
and we are available to help in any way we can.

## Cois Fharraige Pastoral Area Clergy (Kilballyowen, Carrigaholt, Kilkee & Doonbeg Parishes):

**Fr. Gerry Kenny Co-P.P., Kilkee: 065-9056580 ;**

**Fr. Michael Casey, Co-P.P., Cross: 065-9058008**

**Other Clergy:** Fr. Michael Collins, (Kilrush) 065-9051206 & Fr. Tony Casey, (Cooraclare) 065-9059008

### MASS Schedule - Kilkee Parish

#### LISDEEN Church :

**Wednesday Evening : 7.00 p.m.**

#### KILKEE Church :

**Friday Evening : 7.00 p.m.**

**Sunday Morning : 11.00 a.m.**

Masses celebrated in Kilkee Church can be accessed on the Kilkee Parish web page at [www.kilkeeparish.com](http://www.kilkeeparish.com)

Mass Intentions can be booked for these Masses by contacting Kilkee Parish Office Tel: 065 9056580; email: [office@kilkeeparish.com](mailto:office@kilkeeparish.com)

### Doonbeg Parish Mass Schedule :

**Bealaha Church : Tuesday 7.00 p.m..**

**Doonbeg Church: Thursday & Saturday 7.00 p.m.**



**Weekend of the 25th January 2026**

Friday Evening 23rd January 7.00 p.m Maureen Flynn

Sunday Morning 25th January 11.00 a.m. Karen Reilly

**Weekend of the 1st February 2026**

Friday Evening 30th January 7.00 p.m Katie Marrinan

Sunday Morning 1st February 11.00 a.m. Shay Hynes



### Eucharistic Ministers

Weekend of 25th January: Team D

Weekend of 1st February: Team A

### Blessing of Candles

The blessing of candles for home and church use will take place this year on

Next Sunday 1st February at the 11.00 a.m. Mass in Kilkee and on

Wednesday 4th February at the 7.00 p.m. Mass in Lisdeen

Parishioners can leave candles marked for either home or church use at the churches before these times and collect same on the days afterwards.



*The Traditional Blessing of Throats will take place after Masses in Kilkee Church on next Sunday 1st February*

### Parish Weekly Envelopes—2026

We are grateful to our parishioners who contribute to the needs of the parish using the box of weekly envelopes.

These are available for collection at Kilkee church.

If you wish to contribute in this way and cannot find your box of envelopes, please contact the parish office at 065 9056580 / email: [office@kilkeeparish.com](mailto:office@kilkeeparish.com)

### Kilkee Parish Donations

*We thank you for your continued support of our parish collections.*

*You can donate to the parish using the following methods:*

- Placing your donation into the buckets at the entrance to Kilkee Church during Mass Times.
- Using the special secure boxes on the inside walls of Lisdeen and Kilkee churches at any time.
- Using the special Donate button on the parish website to make a contribution from your bank card.

If you prefer to use "cashless" methods for your donation to the parish using your bank card or mobile phone payment facility, you can use the "Tap 2 Donate" system near the TV screen at the entrance to Kilkee Church or the following QR Code will bring you to the portal for donations to the parish.

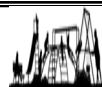


**Making your Will?**  
Please remember **Kilkee Parish** among the benefactors in your will.  
Donations made in this manner will greatly assist the parish with its ongoing work.

**Drug Abuse**  
Information for parents on the issues involved.  
freephone Helpline 1800 459 459 or at the email support service ([helpline@hse.ie](mailto:helpline@hse.ie)) and is open Mon-

### Clarecare

4 Dooneen Park, Kilrush, Co. Clare V15 HY06  
Tel: 065 905 2817 Opening Hours: Mon to Fri 9-30am to 5pm county.



**Kilkee Playground & Astroturf Supporters Club**  
**In association with Kilkee Parish**  
**Monthly Subscription : €10**

**December 2025 Winners : €200: Mary McGrath, Chapel St**

**€100: John Lynch €50: Marian Dooley**

**€30: Tess O' Loughlin €20: Francis & Ann Naughton**

**Special reduced rates for Yearly & Half -Yearly**

**Subscriptions. Avail of our Half Yearly subscription €50.**

**Further details from Kilkee Parish Office**

**Members of Kilkee Playground & Astroturf**



**St Senans Kilkee GAA Club**  
**Weekly Lotto Jackpot 20th January 2026**  
**Jackpot: €10,000.**

**Numbers Drawn : 1, 13, 19, 32**

**Lucky Dip Winners:**

**Michael Reilly Terence O'Neill Karen Reilly**  
**Siobhan O'Mahoney Declan McDonnell**  
**Jackpot will remain at €10,000 next week's draw will take place on Tues January 27th.**

### Prayer for Peace in our World

Loving God, We pray for the people of Ukraine, those caught up in the Middle East conflict, and for all those affected in any way by war in our world that you will be close to them and protect them.

We pray for world leaders, for compassion, strength and wisdom to guide their choices.

We pray for the world that in this moment of crisis, we may reach out in solidarity to our brothers and sisters in need.

May we walk in your ways so that peace and justice become a reality for the people who are suffering and for all the world. Amen.



Why do Catholics light prayer candles?

The sight of burning votive candles is common in most Catholic churches. The candles are usually placed before statues of saints or at shrines. But how did this tradition get its start?

The practice of lighting candles probably has its origins in the custom of burning lights at the tombs of the martyrs in the catacombs in Rome. The lights burned as a sign of solidarity with Christians still on earth. Because the lights continually burned as a silent vigil, they became known as vigil lights.

Vigil lights (from the Latin *vigilia*, which means "waiting" or "watching") are traditionally accompanied by prayers of attention or waiting. Another common type of candle offering is the votive light. Such an offering is indicative of seeking some favour from the Lord or the saint before which the votive is placed.

Lighting a candle is a way of extending one's prayer and showing solidarity with the person on whose behalf the prayer is offered.

By lighting candles we remember and truly live the words of Our Lord: "I am the Light of the World." We not only pray, but our prayers become smaller symbols of the one light of Christ. In burning candles, our prayers rise up to Heaven day and night.

Prayers for a saint's intercession are also common because of their friendship with God in heaven.



### West Clare Cancer Centre

Looks after a very large geographic area. "Here at the West Clare Cancer Centre we provide a valuable and confidential service to our community and beyond. To avail of our taxi service to and from chemotherapy and radiotherapy treatments, counselling & complementary therapies please contact us by phone 0659060762 or email [westclarecancercentre@gmail.com](mailto:westclarecancercentre@gmail.com)

### The West Clare Cancer Centre 8K Run/Walk

Will take place this 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. Best Wishes to Walkers and

### Runners on Sunday!

### Grow Mental Health

Grow Mental Health- Friendly Community based groups for anyone experiencing mental health issues by empowering people to nurture their positive wellbeing by supporting personal growth through education, peer support and self-teaching.

Ennis Meeting- Maria Assumpta Hall. Monday 7.30pm/ Tuesday 2pm. Contact Celia 086-1526966/[grow.ie](mailto:grow.ie)

### Slow Stitching Workshop at Kilkee Library

Gene Clohesy will host a series of Slow Stitching workshops at Kilkee library, beginning on Friday 6th February from 10.30am to 1.30pm. Places are limited. Please contact the library for bookings and further information. [kilkee@clarelibrary.ie](mailto:kilkee@clarelibrary.ie) 065 9056034

### West Clare Drama Festival 202

Season Tickets for the West Clare Drama Festival 2026, Doonbeg Community Hall, which will run from 7th to 15th of March, are available to buy for €90 on our website: [www.westclaredramafestivaldoonbeg.com](http://www.westclaredramafestivaldoonbeg.com)

We have 5 Groups in the Confined Section, and 4 Groups in the Open Section. Doors will be open at 7.15pm and Curtain up at 8.00pm, except on the final night, when the doors will be open at 6.45pm and Curtain up at 7.30pm.

### West Clare FRC Activities for the Over 55's

New this year - Online weekly Singalong sessions on Tuesdays starting @ 2.30pm. We look forward to sharing this lovely time with anyone in Clare and beyond who wishes to join us. This initiative can benefit people living with Dementia, people with reduced mobility, limited transport options and anyone who would like the opportunity to sing a song in good company from the comfort of their own home.

For further information contact us on 0659052173

### Scoil Réalt na Mara

Are now taking Enrolments for September 2026, Forms are available from the school or email us [scoilrealtnamara1@gmail.com](mailto:scoilrealtnamara1@gmail.com)

### Eucharistic Ministers & Liturgical Readers

A sincere Thank You to all our Eucharistic Ministers and Readers you have given continuous support to Kilkee Parish. It is that time again when we invite new members of our Parish Community to join our existing teams. Participation in the Celebration of the Mass makes the ceremony more meaningful and a lovely way of helping in our Parish. Visiting Eucharistic Ministers and Readers are most welcome. For further information contact Fr. Kenny at the Parish Office 065 9056580.

