Kilkee Parish Newsletter

Weekend of Sunday 24th December 2023 The Nativity of Our Lord Jesus Christ —Year B



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A Christmas & New Year Message

2023 has continued to be a challenging year for many people! For some of you this past year has also been tinged with sadness - especially with the passing of near and dear ones. I am particularly conscious of the added pain that brings for those who are grieving. Some have had to face a difficult time struggling with economic difficulties and the impact on them and their families.

Upset, illness, worry and difficulty may have touched yourself or those you know and love in recent times.

The message of our Christian faith at this Christmas time is one word - "EMMANUEL" - God is with us!. In the midst of all that happens to us may these words be our beacon and our hope.

Our thanks to all who help this parish to reflect God's presence with us on our journey throughout the year -

- The many people who pray each day in their homes and at church.
- Our readers, Eucharistic ministers, sacristans, collectors, all who help decorate, clean, tidy and attend to the needs of our Church celebrations right throughout the year.
- Our Pastoral Council members, our volunteer Church Stewards and all who assist with the Parish.
- Our singers, organist, musicians who enhance our celebrations and reflect the God story through their music and singing.
- Those who serve and work in our schools as Board of Management members, teachers and staff to help our young people
- develop and appreciate the gifts and talents they have been given by God.
- Those who are involved in our various parish groups and organisations in a voluntary capacity and give of their time to the planning and assistance of parish needs.
- All who are involved in giving service to others through various organisations and sporting bodies in our community.



May the Peace of Christmas be with you and yours today and into the coming New Year of 2024. EMMANUEL - God is with us! Fr. Gerry Kenny,

Recently Deceased

Noirin Mooney (née Williams), Carron, Kilkee & Kilrush

MASS INTENTIONS requested

Friday 22nd December KILKEE Church 7.00p.m.

Francis & Mary Dillon Josephine, Patrick & Aidan Galvin Josephine Heaney Deceased members of the Heaney Family John, Rita & Colm Hickie Mary Heaney Nancy & Mickey O'Kane Denise Kilcoyne (Nee O'Kane)

Sunday 24th December -Christmas Eve KILKEE Church 6.00 p.m.

Parish Christmas Mass Bouquets Intentions

Monday 25th December -Christmas Day LISDEÉN Church 9.30 a.m. Parish Christmas Mass Bouquet Intentions

Friday 29th December KILKEE Church 7.00p.m. Helen Kennedy (2nd Anniversary) John Hedderman Frank McCarthy, Grattan St

Wednesday 27th December LISDEEN Church 7.00p.m.

Kevin Marrinan & deceased members of the Marrinan Family

Sunday 31st December KILKEE Church 11.00 a.m.

Brendan O'Mara Peg Ryan Mary O'Gorman, McSweeney Terrace Raymond O'Neill, Marine Parade Ger Ryan, Marine Parade Joe Kéané, Dunlickey Rd.

Alcoholics Anonymous: Contact no's':

AA: Brigid G @ 087-7618819

AI-Anon: 01-8732699

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

Our confidential phone no is 086-2289868 and we are available to help in any way we can.

Clarecare

4 Dooneen Park, Kilrush, Co. Clare

V15 HY06

Tel: 065 905 2817

Society of

Drug Abuse

Information for parents on the issues involved. Phone lo-call 1850 700 850 (Monday- Friday 2-5pm)

Newsletter Notices to:

office@kilkeeparish.com

Deadline: Thursday - 12 noon



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Kilkee Playground & Astroturf Supporters Club In association with Kilkee Parish

Monthly Subscription : €10 December 2023Winners:

€200: John O'Mallev €100: Nolan's Traditional Fish & Chips €50: J.J Hickie €30: P.J & Margaret Blake €20: P & A Kilkee

Special reduced rates for Yearly & Half-Yearly Subscriptions. Avail of our Half Yearly subscription €50. Special Reduced rates for Clubs.

Further details from Kilkee Parish Office or Committee Members of Kilkee Playground & Astroturf.

St Senans Kilkee GAA Club Weekly Lotto Jackpot 19th December 2023 Jackpot: €10,000. No Jackpot Winner! Numbers Drawn Were: 10, 19, 23, 28, Deborah Hickie - Online Conor King - Online Yvonne McInerney - Online

Liz McSweeney - Kilkee Damien Haugh - Kilkee Congratulations to the Five Lucky Dip winners of €30 Next Draw will be held on Tuesday 2nd January 2024.

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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.

We have introduced "cashless" methods for people to donate to the parish using their 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.



- The Priests' Christmas Collection is been taken up on this weekend and during the Christmas period. Please use the Special Envelope to donate to this collection.
- A Summary of the parish income and expenditure for 2021/2022 is available together with details of how your donations are used.



West Clare Cancer Centre

Patients wishing to avail of the services can contact the office from 11a.m. to 2p.m Mon to Fri. 065 9060762/9056181

Bereaved by Suicide.

The Christmas Season can be a difficult time for people bereaved by suicide. Clare Suicide Bereavement Support volunteers are available to help you. Support and help is only a phone call away. You could phone us at one of our numbers given below and we will take it from there. We promise complete confidentiality.

086 0565373. 087 3698315.

www.claresuicidebereavementsupport.com **PCI Counselling**

Whatever you are going through we are here to help, PCI counselling service is now available free of charge in Kilkee and locations nationwide. To speak confidentially and arrange an appointment with a counsellor please call 0818 555 450, Office hours are Monday to Friday 9-5.

Clare Suicide Bereavement Support It may help to talk confidentially. Contact 086 0565373 or 087 3698315/

www.claresuicidebereavementsupport.com Defibrillator At Movasta National School A new defibrillator is installed on the front wall of the Moyasta school building. It is unlocked and is available for use by the parish.

> WW1 Deceased Edward Shannon died 20.12.1916



MASS Schedule - Kilkee Parish

LISDEEN Church:

Wednesday Evening 27th Dec: 7.00p.m. **KILKEE Church:**

Friday Evening 29th Dec: 7.00 p.m.; Sunday Morning 31st Dec: 11.00 a.m.

Masses celebrated in Kilkee Church can be accessed on the Kilkee Parish web page at www.kilkeeparish.com Mass Intentions can be booked for these Masses by contacting Kilkee Parish Office Tel: 065 9056580:

email: office@kilkeeparish.com

Doonbeg Parish Mass Schedule:

Bealaha Church: Tuesday 26th Dec 7.00 p.m.. Doonbeg Church: Thursday 28th Dec 7.00 p.m. Saturday 30th Dec 7.00 p.m.