

# CRÍOCHA CALLAN PASTORAL AREA

## INCH-KILMALEY-CONNOLLY NEWSLETTER

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**FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT -- "Year A" 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2020**

### Public Celebration of Mass

In View of the Government Statement and the need to avoid indoor public gatherings of more than 100 people, and the difficulty of guaranteeing this in practice, following consultation I have decided as follows:

- **All public Masses in this diocese, Sundays and weekdays (with the exception of Funeral Masses and the Celebration of Marriage – see below) are suspended until 29<sup>th</sup> March or until further notice.**
- The obligation to be physically present at Mass on Sundays and Holy Days is therefore suspended for everybody until further notice.
- Priests will continue to remember the needs of parishioners at Mass celebrated privately.
- The faithful are encouraged to join spiritually in the celebration of Mass, either on parish radio or on web-cam. Parishes that have web-cams include: Kilrush, Roscrea, Ennis, Quin, Nenagh and Shannon.

Parishioners are also encouraged to pray at home, including especially prayers for the sick, for those who are caring for the sick and for all who are working so hard to protect us.

**SYMPATHY:** We offer our sympathy, support and prayers to the family relatives and friends of

- **Michael Halpin, Cluain Ard Kilmaley and formally Castlefield Kilkee** whose funeral took place in Kilkee during the week.
- **Patsy McCarthy, Cappa Lodge, Sixmilebridge and formally of Inch,** whose funeral took place in Sixmilebridge during the week.

**MARRIAGE BLESSINGS:** We congratulate and wish every Blessing to **Aisling O'Loughlin Kilmaley and Daryl Maxwell Sixmilebridge,** who were married on 13<sup>th</sup> March in St. John's Church, Kilmaley. We pray that God will bless their journey of married life and fill them with happiness.

**GROUPED ANNIVERSARY MASSES:** booked for next week will not now go ahead and can be rescheduled for a later date.

**BAPTISMS:** Only immediate family should attend the celebration of Baptisms. People who might be susceptible to severe reactions to the virus should not attend.

**FUNERALS:** The recommendation is that only immediate family and close friends would attend the funeral liturgy. A thoughtful card or note expressing sympathy might be effective in expressing our solidarity with the bereaved.

**WEDDINGS:** The recommendation is that no gathering of more than 100 persons take place indoors. Wedding guests should be limited to the Bridal Party and immediate family. Guests are asked to observe the hygiene protocols and observe social distance while in Church.

**WEEKDAY MASS TIMES: to recommence at a later date.**

**ANNIVERSARY MASSES: MARCH: APRIL:** Kilmaley Sat 18<sup>th</sup> @ 7.30pm. Connolly Sun 19<sup>th</sup> @ 10.30am. Inch Sun 19<sup>th</sup> @ 9.15am. **MAY:** Kilmaley Sat 9<sup>th</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> @ 7.30pm. Connolly Sun 10<sup>th</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> @ 10.30am. Inch Sun 10<sup>th</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> @ 9.15am.

**MINISTRY OF THE WORD: to be announced at a later date.**

**ALTAR SERVERS ROTA: to be announced at a later date.**

**BASKET & ENVELOPE COLLECTIONS:** Sincere thanks to all who contribute so generously every weekend to all the various collections:

**KILMALEY LOTTO:** Numbers Drawn 16, 22, 24, 32.. Jackpot next week €15,800. €30 winners; Noel Clancy, Tracey Reid, Alan Crehan, Shane Slattery, Geraldine O'Looney. Play online at [www.kilmaleygaa.ie](http://www.kilmaleygaa.ie)

**CLARE HOSPICE AT CAHERCALLA:** Weekly Draw Result — 1<sup>st</sup> Prize €650.00 — Ann Pilkington. 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize €200 — Deirdre Shalvey. To join contact Fundraising Office 065 682196 or [www.cahercalla.ie](http://www.cahercalla.ie)

**MASS CARDS:** Selection of signed Mass Cards, Sympathy, Get Well, Thank you, Special Occasions Mass Bouquet, Birthday Wishes, Exam Success, Wedding Day, etc. all available from Parish Office.

**PARISH FACEBOOK PAGE:** Kilmaley, Inch, Connolly Parish - Follow the link at the bottom of our parish website [www.kilmaleyparish.ie](http://www.kilmaleyparish.ie)

Notices for Newsletter to Parish Office by 1.00pm  
on Wednesday  
E-mail [kilmaleyparish@gmail.com](mailto:kilmaleyparish@gmail.com).

**KILMALEY DAY CARE CENTRE:** Due to COVID-19 the day centre will be closed. The staff at the centre are available should you require shopping, medications to be collected or a dinner delivered, please contact the centre on 065 68 39768

**MASS ON LOCAL RADIO:** Details of Masses which can be heard or viewed on line during the coming weekend. **Clare FM and Tipp FM at 9.00am on Sunday morning.** Hope this helps in some way to keep a praying community together

**RADIO MARIA IRELAND:** A Catholic radio station can be found on saorview 210 on your TV and also app can be downloaded and also on Facebook. This is just a wonderful station. Spread the word, people need reassurance at this time. Mass celebrated every day at 10.00am. Fr Eamonn and all the staff are doing brilliant work. Anyone can visit the station as well for Adoration.

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:** Due to COVID-19 there will be no adoration until further notice.

**INCH N.S.:** Enrolments are now being accepted for Inch N.S. for September 2020. Application Forms can be obtained from the School. Tel No: 065 6839353. Closing date for receipt of applications is at **12 Noon Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2020.**

**ENROLMENT FOR CONNOLLY N.S.:** Connolly N.S. is now enrolling for September 2020. Expression of interest forms and Enrolment forms can be obtained from the school. Drop in and view our excellent facilities and preschool. Contact **Seán O'Neill (Principal) on Tel 065 6839550** or email us on [connollynationalschool@gmail.com](mailto:connollynationalschool@gmail.com)

**CONNOLLY N.S BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL OPERATOR:** Connolly N.S. are looking for interested enthusiastic parties with the competence to operate a Before and After School Service for Connolly N.S. Applicants apply in writing to, Chairperson Board of Management Connolly N.S, Fr Martin Blake, Connolly, Ennis Co Clare before 31<sup>st</sup> March 2020

**TROCAIRE:** The Trocaire Lenten Campaign focuses on Madris and her family who live in Kenya. They are suffering the effect of climate change. Rains don't come, crops wither. Alex and little Joy-Faith often get just one meal. Madris is doing all she can to provide for her family but she can't do it without you. Please give this lent. Trocaire Boxes are available in the porch of the Churches.

**BUS TO KNOCK SHRINE:** on Sunday the **19<sup>th</sup> of April.** Please contact Stephen at 0861943960 to book.

**CLARE SUICIDE BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT:** continues to offer phone and text support to people who have been bereaved by suicide in Co Clare in these exceptional times. You are welcome to call or text 087 3698315 or 086 0565373 and speak with a volunteer. You may find our website helpful at [www.claresuicidebereavementsupport.com](http://www.claresuicidebereavementsupport.com).

**WORKSHOP FOR CHOIRS:** Liam Lawton will do a workshop for choirs in the area on **Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2020** from 7.30pm to 9.30pm in **Miltown Malbay Community Hall.** Liam will teach some music along with teaching other composers. All choir directors and members are welcome more information from Fr. Donagh 087 2322140

**BEGINNING EXPERIENCE WEEKEND:** For people who have lost a spouse through death divorce or separation **3<sup>rd</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> April 2020** at Redemptorist Centre Esker Athenry Co. **Galway,** Tel; Maureen 087 6646896 or Mary 087 9384446.

**DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES:** The Killaloe Diocesan Pilgrimage will be led by Bishop Fintan Monahan who warmly invites you to join him in Lourdes from the **26<sup>th</sup> June to 1<sup>st</sup> July.** The cost this year is €725 per person sharing. €20 discount for online booking at [www.joewalshtours.ie](http://www.joewalshtours.ie). Booking forms can be obtained from: Joe **Walsh Tours, 143 Lower Baggot Street, Dublin 2.** Telephone: (01) 2410810. A limited number of sick pilgrims will be accommodated in the Sanctuary of Lourdes at a cost of €638. Applications for sick pilgrims only to Fr. Tom Ryan, Pilgrimage Director, Cathedral House Station Road Ennis Co. Clare. Telephone: (065) 6824043.

**SILENT RETREAT:** Theme: **"If you but knew the gift of God".** Preached by: Fr. Kilian Byrne at Esker Retreat Centre, Athenry, Co. Galway. **April 13<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup>** Cost: €380 fullboard. Contact: **Helen 00353 86 1678027 / helly-williams@gmail.com / www.foyerofcharity.ie.** A privileged time to come away from noise and distractions, and listen to the Spirit of God, - Who is Love. Silence, prayer, teachings & liturgy of the Church.

**COVID-19 SUPPORT LINE FOR OLDER PEOPLE:** ALONE has launched a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to the outbreak of COVID-19 (Coronavirus). Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open Monday to Friday, 8am-8pm, by calling 0818 222 024. Hours may be extended to meet the demand.

#### **REFLECTION FOR MOTHERS DAY:**

*God our Creator, we pray: for new mothers,  
coming to terms with new responsibility;  
for expectant mothers, wondering and waiting;  
or those who are tired, stressed or depressed;  
for those who struggle to balance the tasks of work & family;  
for those who are unable to feed their children due to poverty;  
for those whose children have physical, mental or  
emotional disabilities;  
for those who have children they do not want:  
for those who raise children on their own;  
for those who have lost a child:  
for those who care for the children of others:  
for those whose desire to be a mother has not been fulfilled.  
Bless all mothers, that their love may be deep and tender,  
and that they may lead their children  
to know and do what is good, living not for themselves alone,  
but for God and others. Amen*

**HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY TO ALL MOTHERS**