# Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 16th July 2023

#### Diocese of Killaloe

# **# KILMALEY-CONNOLLY-INCH PARISH #**

Críocha Callan Pastoral area

IBAN numbers for personal banking donations:

PP: Fr. John McGovern 065-6839735. Fr. Donagh O' Meara Mullagh & Miltown Malbay 087-2322140 Fr. Martin Shanahan, Inagh 087-7486935 Parish Current Account: IE09 BOFI 9042 1030 1660 28

Priests' Salary Account: IE56 BOFI 9042 1073 5476 56.

scheduled masses. Contact 065 68 39735.

**Mass times** ~ **Kilmaley:** Saturday 7.30pm, Thursday and Friday 10am. **Connolly:** Sunday 10.30am, Monday and Tuesday 10am. Inch: Sunday 9.15am, Wednesday at 8pm

## THE PARISH OFFICE IS TEMPORARILY CLOSED.

For all Parish business please contact Fr John on 065 68 39735 or email kilmaleyparish@gmail.com. Website: www.kilmalevparish.ie

#### MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK:

#### Kilmalev:

Sat 15th 7.30pm Paddy Dillon, Connolly.

Matt and Anne Hickey, Slaveen Sean Hickey, London and Slaveen, Micko Hickey, Tullassa Mary and Danny Hickey, Bealcragga.

Sat 22<sup>nd</sup> 7.30pm Martin Queally Lahaknock. Thomas Casey Knockadangan.

Inch:

- Sun 16th 9.15am Danny and Maureen O'Malley Ballymacaula. Maureen Hayes Inchmore and Mary Wed 19th 8pm Haves Inchmore.
- Sun 23rd 9.15am No intention booked

#### Connolly:

Sun 16th 10.30am Kathleen McMahon, Connolly.

Sun 23rd 10.30am No intention booked

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION on Tuesdays from 2 to 8pm in the "crying room" at Kilmaley Church. If you can commit to an hour please contact Mary on 0872399797.

KILLALOE DIOCESE AUTUMN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES is from 2<sup>nd</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> October. €780 full board. Booking to Joe Walsh Tours 89 Harcourt Street Dublin 2 D02WY88. Tel: 01-2410800 www.joewalshtours.ie

### THE PARABLE OF THE SOLUER (THE PARABLE OF THE FOUR SOILS)



This parable invites us to think from multiple perspectives - If the sower is Jesus (God) and the seeds God's words (vision and action), then the parable speaks of spreading of the word of God. We, people, become the soil; at times not

very receptive or momentarily receptive: hearing God's word but then letting it die off or be choked out with competing interests

At another level though, we could be the sower. Is Jesus telling his disciples that in God's kingdom they must be him? From this perspective we are invited to think about what we say and do - what we sow. Yet again, we could be the seed, thrown by God into circumstances of varying possibility. Facing defeat at times, finding fertile ground at other times. However you may interpret it, the parable contains lessons to be learned: do not be deterred; expect challenge; chose what to sow carefully; don't stop planting! The parable of the sower is an invitation to hope. Today the world is changing far more rapidly than Jesus' could have ever imagined. We must find innovative and new solutions for the challenges of our times. Tradition is not enough, we must live with creativity. We live in a much more secular society than ever before and the traditional methods for sharing the stories of Jesus; evangelising, are less effective. This does not mean that what we sow does not have value but that the method of sharing must use the best biblical knowledge with imagination, creativity and boldness. This parable itself challenges us to move into new ways of living with God. ncec.catholic.edu.au

## **BASKET & ENVELOPE COLLECTIONS:**

ANNIVERSARY MASSES can be booked for any of the

Weekly Envelopes	€580.
Priests Collection	€142.
Other collections	€98.

We sincerely thank you for your generous contributions, they are vital in keeping our parish going. They can also be dropped into the Parochial House or into one of the secure collection boxes available in Kilmaley Church or online using the IBAN numbers above.

YOUTH 2000 SUMMER FESTIVAL for 16 to 35 year olds takes place in Clongowes Wood College, Clane, Co Kildare from Thur 10th to Sun 13th Aug 2023 It includes inspiring talks, music, prayer, concert, workshops, dramas, share groups, reconciliation and healing service and Mass. Donation only and we have buses going from all over Ireland. For more information and to book your place go to www.youth2000.ie

KILMALEY LOTTO: 8th July: Numbers drawn 14, 20, 28, 30. No Jackpot Winner. Next Jackpot €4,350. "Win a house" ticket winner Riona O'Loughlin. €30 winners, Mary Fitzgerald, Rose Casey. Play on line at www.kilmaleygaa.ie. Tickets also on sale locally.

**COLAISTE MUIRE REUNION** of the Leaving Cert Class of 1983 is on Sept 16th in Ennis. - Contact Mary Howard at maryhoward2009@gmail.com for more details

Notices for Newsletter can be sent by email to *kilmaleyparish@qmail.com* or drop them in the letterbox at Kilmaley presbytery by 1.00pm on Wednesday. We include notices for parish and church related events. Where space permits we also include notices for local not-for-profit groups.