Diocese of Killaloe

Críocha Callan # KILMALEY-CONNOLLY-INCH PARISH

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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.kilmaleyparish.ie



MASS CARDS:

For your convenience, mass cards are now available for sale in all three **churches** in the parish.

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK:

ANNIVERSARY MASSES can be booked at 065 68 39735 or email kilmaleyparish@gmail.com.

KILMALEY—SATURDAY AT 7.30PM:

Angela O' Connor, William O' Connor 13thDec

and Bridie O' Connor.

Christy and Attracta Healy, Lispuckaun.

20thDec no intention booked

INCH—SUNDAY AT 9.15AM:

14thDec No intention booked

Noel, Joe and Declan Killeen, Clonfeigh. 21stDec

Patrick and Bridget Gregan Knock Inch.

Sean O'Connor Strasburgh Inch. The Faule family, Ballymacaula.

CONNOLLY - SUNDAY AT 10.30AM:

14thDec Christy Moloney Renagisha. Martin Hehir Bealcragga Connolly. 21stDec

Peter and Catherine Baker, Corrancreagh,

their sons **Hugh** and **Anthony** and deceased members of the Baker and

Crowley families.

Sean and Catherine Keane Corrancreigh

Third Sunday of Advent (Gaudete Sunday) Rejoice in the Nearness of God



The Third Sunday of Advent invites us to pause in the midst of waiting and choose joy. Known as Gaudete Sunday, its rose candle signals a shift from quiet expectation to a confident, hopeful rejoicing. In the Gospel, John the Baptist sends his disciples to ask Jesus, "Are you the

one who is to come?" Jesus responds not with titles, but with signs: the blind see, the lame walk, and the poor receive good news.

Joy in Advent is not naïve optimism; it is the steady conviction that God is already at work, often in ways we do not immediately see. Like John, we may also wrestle with questions or long for clearer answers. Yet Jesus reminds us that God's Kingdom unfolds in the healing, mercy, and renewal happening around us.

As we enter this week, may we notice the small signs of grace that reveal God's nearness and may those signs give us reason to rejoice.

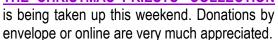
BASKET & ENVELOPE COLLECTIONS:

Weekly & Holy Day Envelopes €270 **Priest's Collection** €84

€1300 €54.461 to date! Major Repair Fund

Sincere thanks for your generosity! Contributions, can also be dropped into the Parochial House or the "mass card donation boxes" or online using the DONATE button on Kilmaley Parish Website or the IBAN numbers above.

THE CHRISTMAS PRIESTS' COLLECTION





RECONCILIATION SERVICE: The Abbey Pastoral Area will hold its Advent Reconciliation Service with the opportunity for individual Confession in the Cathedral on this Monday at 7.30pm (Please note, no Mass). Twelve priests will be available for Confession on the night. An excellent opportunity to prepare spiritually for Christmas.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION continues each Tuesday from 2 to 8pm in Kilmaley Church.

BINGO: Connolly Development Bingo Night on Mon, 29th Dec at 7pm in the Woodstock Hotel. Tickets on sale for €10 each. All sponsorship and spot prizes are greatly appreciated.

There will be no **COMMUNITY CAFE** on Dec 19th. See you all again on Jan 9th. Thanks to everyone who supported the cafe during the year looking forward to seeing you all in the new year.



ST. FLANNAN'S DAY:



Thursday next 18th December is the Feast of St. Flannan, our Diocesan Patron. Bishop Fintan and the priests of the Diocese will join with the students from St. Flannan's College on Thursday at 1pm for Mass in the College Chapel to celebrate the feast.

CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES

Kilmaley Christmas Eve at 7.30pm. Inch Christmas Day 9.15am. Connolly Christmas Day 10.30am.

Notices for Newsletter can be sent by email to kilmaleyparish@amail.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.