



Sixmilebridge + Kilmurry Parish Newsletter

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Parish Office

Mon - Fri. 10.00 a.m. - 12.00 Noon
For Booking of Masses, Baptisms & Weddings.

Baptisms take place at 12.00 Noon on Sundays in Sixmilebridge + Kilmurry

We extend our sympathy to David Deighan + family on the death of **Evelyn Deighan** in Dublin during the week.

We remember all our loved ones and especially those whose Anniversaries occur at this time. **May they Rest in Peace**

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| Sat. 19th | 7.00 p.m. | Patrick, Christina + JohnJoe Toomey Donnie Ryall Tom + Breda Murphy Pa + Peggy Sheehan Dawn Roughan Fr. Joe + Sr. Bede Quin |
| Sun. 20th | 10.00 a.m. | Clune Family Rossroe |
| | 11.00 a.m. | Kevin Whelan |
| Sat. 26th | 7.00 p.m. | Thomas, Ellen + Joe Sheehan |
| Sun. 27th | 10.00 a.m. | Bridget O'Loughlin |

Mass times this week: Tuesday + Wednesday 10.00 a.m.

Mass Times for Christmas:

Sixmilebridge: Christmas Eve: 6 + 9.00 p.m
Christmas Day: 11.00 a.m.
Kilmurry: Christmas Eve: 9.00 p.m.
Christmas Day: 10.00 a.m.



At our Saturday evening Mass this weekend, our Scouts will be bringing **The Peace Light of Bethlehem** to us. We will light our Sanctuary Lamp from this which is ever lighting throughout the year in front of Blessed Sacrament. We are ever grateful to our Scouts for this.

The Peace Light Prayer

Light of Bethlehem: burn brightly in our hearts this Christmas.

Light of Peace: heal the bitter wounds in our community show us the path of forgiveness and love.

Light of Comfort: strengthen the sick, the needy, the prisoners and all those who cannot be home this Christmas Day.

Light of Hope: guide our way forward as we begin a New Year.

Light of the World: teach us to love you more and more each day.

Light of Bethlehem: shine in our lives this Christmas and always.

Amen

"A Community Reflects" It's a time for that.

Over the last few weeks we have been active in our spiritual preparation for Christmas. We had two very special events

On Tuesday night last we had a big gathering of people for a reflective, prayerful service of reconciliation led by Bishop Willie. It was one of the biggest crowds and nicest experience we have ever had.

On Thursday night we had the Cluster Carol Singing. We had choirs from Newmarket, Shannon as well as our own. We had readings, reflections and Blessings. This again was a most uplifting experience and one appreciated by all.

A few years ago it was said that events are going to bring home to us that we need to turn back from the God of Mammon (money - technology) to the real God. During 2015 these events have arrived to remind us - **climate change - around us here the floods - violence in Parish and other places - people being uprooted from their own countries - the refugees (no homes) - people living in fear in their own homes.** These and other events are bringing home to us that the time has come to turn back to God, to prayer.

Pope Francis, now recognised as one of the great world leaders, has reminded us in setting aside the coming year as a year of Mercy, Compassion, Forgiveness to play our own part in changing the world we live in and the way we live with one another.

We want to wish all of you a happy and a peaceful Christmas.

In doing that we want to remember in a very special way those who have lost loved ones, who find this time of the year lonely, those who will not be back home and in a very special way our sick.

The Blessings of the Child Jesus on all of us.

...from the Parish Office

Just a little note to everyone at Christmas and New Year - to thank you all for your friendship and support during the year.

May your Christmas be filled with the beauty of God's Love and may good health and happiness be with you every day of the new year 2016.

Puff

National School Enrolment Junior Infants September 2016 Application Form contact ..
Sixmilebridge: 369544 Kilmurry: 367623

Sixmilebridge ICA recently held their Annual 45 Drive in Gleeson's Bar the winners on the night were John Liddy, Eamonn Healy and Vinny Purcell. Sixmilebridge **ICA** would like to **thank** everyone who attended the 45 Drive and also a big thank you to Jack & Deirdre Gleeson and Brian Casey for running the event.

Sixmilebridge GAA Gala Celebration Banquet. 1st Jan in Radisson Blu at 7pm. Begin 2016 on a high note and enjoy a social gathering of our community. Tickets €40. High demand so order today. Available from Louise or Laura, or by texting 0872155042 or through the Club Facebook.

Sixmilebridge G.A.A Bumper Christmas Bingo on Monday 21st 8.45 p.m. Spot Prizes, Raffle and Super Prize money. Your support is much appreciated.

The Sixmilebridge/Kilmurry Mens Shed would welcome donations of unwanted functioning woodwork tools such as saws, carpenters benches, vices, planes, sanders etc., from individuals or organisations. Donations of these tools would be greatly appreciated. Contact 087-6672566 or 086-3596355
Local Scouts Christmas Cards on sale in all shops. €1 each. Lovely picture of their new Scout Den. Photo by Pat Higgins.

Treasure Hunt by car in aid of Slainte an Chlair: Sunday 27 December Clare Cancer Support. Registration at Powers pub Tulla 1 to 2pm prizes raffle refreshments music etc. at 4.30 pm. Fee 10 euro per car.

Thank You

Sacristan's **AnneMarie** and **Puff** thank you all most sincerely for your contribution to Sacristan's Collection recently.

Sixmilebridge G.A.A. Club LOTTO
Numbers drawn 2 6 13 23
Congratulations! to the winner
NEXT JACKPOT



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| Sat. | 26th | 7.00 p.m. | Carmel | C A |
| Sun. | 27th | 10.00 a.m. | Emma | Chris/Martina D |
| Sun. | 27th | 11.00 a.m. | Carmel | D A |