



# 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 Sean Hogan, Rosroe, on the recent death of his mother **Agnes Hogan R.I.P.** in O'Callaghan's Mills.

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

Sat. 23rd	7.00 p.m.	Patrick, Christina + JohnJoe Toomey Thomas, Ellen + Joe Sheehan Fr. Joe + Sr. Mary Bede Quinn
Fri. 29th	7.00 p.m.	Martin Cooney
Sat. 30th	7.00 p.m.	Dawn Roughan Tom + Breda Murphy Christy Moloney + Family
Sun. 31st	10.00 a.m.	Bridget O'Loughlin



**Mass times: Wednesday + Thursday 10 a.m. Friday 7 p.m.**

Local Branch of **St. Vincent de Paul** wish to thank everyone who so generously contributed in many ways to their recent Christmas Appeal and Collection. Your generosity is very much appreciated.

**Clare Vintage Engine and Tractor Club's Tractor Run** in aid of **Sixmilebridge National School**- Wednesday 27th December 2017 **Venue:** Assembly at School at 11.00am. Tractor Run starting at 12.00 noon 1.00pm Finish at Scout Den

**Bridge Utd** will be holding their annual **Recycling Fundraiser** on SAT 6<sup>th</sup> JAN 2018. Will gladly accept all your unwanted CLOTHING, HOUSEHOLD TEXTILES i.e. Curtains, Towels, SOFT-TOYS, SHOES, HANDBAGS, BELTS, MOBILE PHONES, LAP-TOPS (with power leads)... Items can be dropped off at the Club House between 9am-4pm on Sat 6th Jan. Collections can be arranged also for any day between now and then, just let us know!! Contact Mark 086 8039059, Finbar 086 8750128 or Jonathan 0868798232.

**Sixmilebridge G.A.A. Club Lotto: Numbers Drawn 2 10 15 35 Jackpot Next week €12,000**

## Christmas and Family Times

I do believe that a good way to communicate the Christian story to people in our time is by having the Gospels in one hand and the Daily Paper in the other. In other words connect with the reality of people's lives. The Christian story is a very human one. During the past week Kathy Sheridan, a columnist with the Irish Times wrote a piece. It's worth quoting bits of it.

It can be a wonderful time when families get together or it can be an occasion when old sores are renewed. Loneliness at this time of year is inevitable by product of Christmas, days built securely - if you are lucky - around family, tradition, children, parents, joyful homecomings, laden tables. For the not so lucky the annual gathering may be a battle in a hot house of old resentments, drink problems, money worries, illness, differing ideas about child-rearing, grumpy people, sadness or grief.

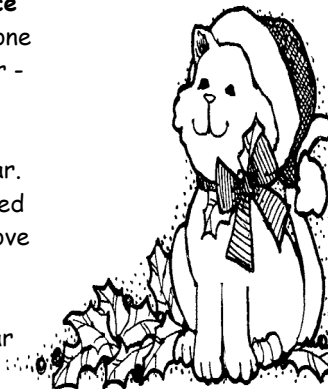
No matter what, she suggests the way to peace is tolerance. Keep your "controversial" views to yourself. Refrain from blurting out every random thought. Review your idea of "slagging" just for one day. Do not start a sentence with "no offence but..." Yes there are plenty of issues to be outraged about, but every one deserves a few days free of anger, home truths, cynicism and sniping.

**It's a day to allow gentleness and kindness come to the fore.** The Christian thing is about bringing a humane way into a world where people are exploited in different ways. Happy Christmas to everyone in our Community but especially to all the kind people.

### .... 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 2018.

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## "All Hearts are Home for Christmas"

This, tonight is the meeting place of Heaven and Earth.

For this, tonight, is the stable in which God keeps His appointment to meet His people.

Not many high are here, not many holy; not many innocent children, not many worldly wise; not all familiar faces, not all frequent visitors.

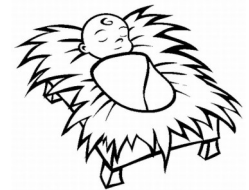
But, if tonight only strangers met, that would be enough.

For Bethlehem was not the hub of the Universe, nor was the stable a platform for famous folk.

In an out-of-the way place which folk never thought to visit there God kept and keeps His promise: there God sends His Son.



Nollaig Shona agus  
 Achdhuian,  
 faoi Mhaise Daoiobh



Rota Next Weekend	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers	Altar Servers
Sat. 30th 7.00 p.m.	Mike	C	A
Sun. 31st 10.00 a.m.	Carmel	Aidean/Aoibhe	B
Sun. 31st 11.00 a.m.	Margaret	D	A