

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

In Loving Memory

We extend our sympathy to Yvonne McGowan, Cluain Droichead, on the death of her father **Liam Moroney R.I.P.** Tulla who died in Tulla during the week.

We remember all our loved ones and especially those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Sat. 28th Barry + Cathy Noonan

Sun. 29th Michael, Margaret + Christy Murphy Fri. 4th Tommy McMahon (Months Mind)

Sat. 5th Annette Fawl

Sun.6th Jackie Millane (Months Mind)
Betty White (1st Anniversary)

May they Rest in God's Love

In these times of Government lockdown and restrictions on attendances at public Masses, many people who are unable to attend Church services are interested in contributing to the support of their parish or their priests.

Sincere thanks to all our parishioners who have contributed during this time.

It is now possible to make a contribution by credit or debit card directly to your parish using the Diocesan Website — www.killaloediocese.ie. The full contribution as received by the Diocesan website will be fully paid to your parish. Simply go to the Diocesan Website and click on the red "Donate to your Parish" button on the top of the page. You will be invited to select your parish to contribute.

Your support is greatly appreciated.

First Sunday in Advent

Lord.

On this first day of Advent, give us the grace to slow down.
Let us travel with the Wise Kings, following the rising Star and seeking advice as we travel.
As the journey begins Lord, we place its destination in your hands and pray giving thanks and praise





The Advent Wreath

Advent wreaths are circular, representing God's infinite and eternal love. The candles on the Advent wreath symbolise

Hope, Love, Joy and Peace

Candle one (purple) represents **Hope**. It is often called the Prophets' candle. Candle two (purple) represents **Peace**. It is often called the Angels' candle. Candle three (pink) represents **Joy**. It is often called the Shepherds' candle. Candle four (purple) represents **Love**. It is often called the Bethlehem Candle.

The central candle (white) of the wreath represents Jesus' light coming into our world.

November comes and November goes' with the last red berries and the first white snows. With night coming early' and dawn coming late, and ice in the bucket and frost by the gate.

The fires burn and the kettles sing' and earth sinks to rest *Until next Spring.*





St. Vincent de Paul Christmas Assistance 2020

Our funds have depleted this year and we have had to apply to the local Area for assistance which we are very grateful to have received.

Hampers: SVP are not collecting food from local schools and shops this year so our hampers will contain basic foodstuffs which we are obtaining from the Redemptorists in Limerick. Hampers will need to be collected this year from G.A.A. Hall in Sixmilebridge. If you wish to apply for a hamper please contact the Holy Rosary Phone Line on 086-3024238 and leave your name and number before Friday 4th December 2020.

Donations: We would welcome vouchers for any amount for local groceries, fuel, meat etc., or of course cash is most welcome.

AWARE SERVICES As we all know, during Level 5 lockdown, many people are experiencing additional feelings of isolation. anxiety and distress as well as enduring depression, bi-polar disorder and other challenges with their mental health. These feelings are often further exacerbated during this holiday season, as people can sometimes contrast their own sadness with other peoples joy. If you, or those with whom you work wish to connect with people in relation to your mental wellbeing, please consider using the Phone In and Zoom Support & Self Care Groups, the Support Line or Support Mail, now and throughout the holiday season. These services provide support, coping skills and information - and most importantly help people who are in distress to know and feel that they are not alone in their experience. For more information about the groups https://www.aware.ie/support/ support-groups/ and all services on www.aware.ie.

"REARING THE FUTURE" Is the future our responsibility?

Copies of Fr. Harry's Book on sale in Post Office, Local Shops and the Parish Office. €10 Proceeds to Cahercalla Hospice.

An ideal Christmas Gift!

Sixmilebridge G.A.A. Club Lotto
Numbers drawn: 8 14 28 32
Next Jackpot €19,500