



Sixmilebridge + Kilmurry Parish Newsletter



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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 Kevin Barrett, Kilmurry, on the death of his mother **Maura Barrett R.I.P.** in Cork recently.

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

- Sun. 21st 11am Webcam Moira Hennessy
Betty O'Keeffe
Patrick + Bridget O'Neill
Timmy McDonnell
Joan Skehan
- Sun. 28th 11 am Webcam Tom Quin + Quin Family
Mona, Paddy + Frank O'Halloran
Tracey Phelan
Ann O'Malley
Mary Meehan (Months Mind)

Please join us for Mass via Webcam

First Communion and Confirmation

We have been asked to advise Parents and Schools that we will not be setting dates for First Communion and Confirmation as of yet this year. This is to avoid disappointment in rescheduling.

Sending our deepest sympathy to Dr. Tony Holohan and his Family at this really difficult time on the passing of his wife Emer. May she Rest in Peace.

First Sunday of Lent

Every Lent is a new beginning; sometimes beginnings are welcomed, other times it's a case of half and half. We welcome Lent as a time to make our faith fresh, but we know from other Lents that it's hard to keep going, and it lasts a long time!

We might wonder about the true purpose of Lent. The focus of Lent is not on what we give up but on what we are given. We focus our minds on the self-giving love of Jesus which we will celebrate in Holy Week. We allow ourselves to believe in this love. Often it's difficult to believe in the tender love of God, but it conquers all else in the world; it is given in the mercy and compassion of God.

Lent pours the grace of forgiveness into our world, which we need individually and as a people. We need to know that God is bigger than any of our sins, wars, violence and hatred.

Maybe we can ask what our Lent does for others, rather than just what we are doing for Lent. It is a time of renewal, which shows in love, forgiveness and care of others in our lives.

*"Lord, by your cross and resurrection you have set us free;
You are the saviour of the world."*

Prayer for Spiritual Communion

My Jesus I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I Love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my Soul.

Since I cannot, at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace You as if you were already there and unity myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from you. **Amen**

St Patricks Day Virtual Event. Clare County Council invites Clare people at home/abroad to take part, by recording and submitting a performance, prizes to be won. For more details see www.clarecoco.ie.

Fr. Flann Lynch ofm cap Two Videos

Fr. Flann Lynch -A super response to Covid - search on Goggle or on You Tube
Fr. Flann Lynch - The Wild Ox's Strength: A Response To COVID.

The Triest Community Employment Scheme

(sponsored by Brothers of Charity Clare Services) are currently recruiting, the following positions in the Clare Services: Support Workers, Cleaners, General Maintenance, Art & Craft Assistants & Sports and Recreational Supports. Please contact the local DSP Employment Services/ Intreo Office to check your eligibility and to apply for this vacancy or *contact -Thomas Gilligan at 065-6823123 / 086 380 9994.*

COVID-19 Support Line for Older People:

ALONE manage a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to COVID-19. Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open seven day a week, 8 a.m. – 8 p.m. by calling 0818 222 024

Library Notice 'Clare Reads'...The book 'This is Happiness' by Niall Williams is a Keep Well and an Ireland Reads initiative to encourage reading in the community. Please contact Sixmilebridge Library on 061-369678 or sixmilebridge@clarelibrary.ie if you would like one. There are a limited number of free copies available.

Sixmilebridge G.A.A. Club Lotto

Numbers drawn: 1 2 3 32

Next Jackpot €20,000