

It helps if you remember that everyone is doing their best from their level of consciousness. (Deepak Chopra)

You are not Alone

ALONE is a national organization that strives to enable older people to age at home, safely and securely, for as long as they wish. If you are an older person who would like to learn more about this service, please call ALONE's National Support Line on 0818 222 024. Available seven days a week from 8am to 8pm.

Domestic Abuse

You do not have to live with control and abuse in your home. Support is right here in your community. Visit www.safeireland.ie to find your local service or call the National Abuse Helpline 1800 341 900

Diocesan Child Protection Services

For support or advice or to report any concerns you may have regarding child protection matters, please contact the following parish representatives: Kilmore Quay; **John Stafford**: 087 914 8009; Kilmore: Tomhaggard / Mulrankin: **Pat Roche** 087 278 5156.

Samaritans Helpline

Call Us Free, From Any Phone. Find Out More Now. You Talk, We Listen. Call Us Free on 116 123.

Bereavement Support Line

If you or someone you know is struggling at this time, we are here to help you. It's free to call our Bereavement Support line 1800 80 7077 Monday to Friday 10am to 1pm.

Pieta House, Preventing Suicide and Self Harm

If you have any concerns, please contact our team on 0818 111 126. Pieta Crisis helpline 1800 247 247 or text Help to 51444

Women's Refuge

For women in crises there is a 24-hour Free Helpline 1800 220 444

Alzheimer Society of Ireland

The Alzheimer Society of Ireland's National Helpline Service is open six days a week. Call 1800 341 341 or email helpline@alzheimier.ie

Let us look at our shortcomings and leave other people's alone:
There is no reason why we should expect everyone else to travel by our road. (Teresa of Avila).

In Times of Sorrow

May you see God's light on the path ahead
When the road you walk is dark.
May you always hear,
Even in your hour of sorrow,
The gentle singing of the lark.
When times are hard, may hardness
Never turn your heart to stone,
May you always remember
when the shadows fall,
You do not walk alone.



BEST OF LUCK to the KILLAG SHOW next Thursday 10th July.

The Parish office will
be closed on Thursday.

Mass will be as usual
at 10am.

Mystery Tour

Our Mystery tour is now full. Leaving Kilmore on Monday morning 15th September and returning on Tuesday evening 16th September. There is a charge of €150 per person sharing and €200 for single occupancy. Full payment is needed by the end of July.

40th Annual Seafood Festival

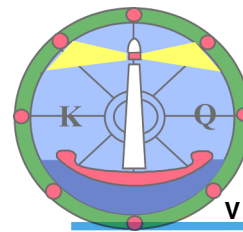
Our community has reached the magnificent milestone of 40 years of voluntary community effort as we open the Seafood Festival next Thursday, July 10th. The busy programme continues to Sunday 13th July. We welcome the support of all in the community, including groups and organisations. If you can give any help please join the volunteers as we celebrate this remarkable achievement. Come along and have fun.

Parish Meals on Wheels

The very busy and important community service continues to look for your support so if you can spare an hour or two during the week to help your neighbour please contact the Centre and Bernie at 053 9129922. Our regular drivers will take holidays so we need your help.

Community Lotto

The numbers drawn in this week's Lotto were 4. 11. 21. 29. There were 3 match 3 winners each receiving €70. There was no jackpot winner. Next week's jackpot stands €9200.



NEWS & REFLECTIONS St Peter's Church Kilmore Quay Co Wexford

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14th Sunday in Ordinary Time – 6th July 2025

Falling apple blossom reveals the burgeoning fruit

At this time of year, we hope for good, sunny weather so that it will be warm enough to sit in the garden and really enjoy it. We need these lazy afternoons in the sunshine; we need to treat ourselves, to love ourselves, to give ourselves a rest. Because unless we start loving ourselves and realising our own preciousness, we are wasting our lives. It is as serious as that. (Sr Stanislaus Kennedy, *Gardening the Soul*)

Reflection on the Gospel for 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time



On this fourteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time, the Church draws our attention to the need for and importance of peace in our world. We are also reminded that Christ is the source of our peace. In today's gospel, Jesus equips us with the message we must bring to our world: "Peace be with you." It is a gift we must offer to our world. Jesus knows very well that this is what our world needs most, and he is ever ready to let us have it. With the peace that Christ offers us, we must be prepared to transform our world from a culture of war and hatred to a culture of peace. He invites us to be instruments of his peace. The absence of peace in any heart, family, community, society, or nation leaves it devastated while the presence of peace helps communities to develop and thrive.

With St. Francis of Assisi, let us pray:

"Lord, make me an instrument of your peace, where there is hatred, let me sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; and where there is sadness, joy."
Peace be with you all!

Pope Leo's Intention for July

Let us pray that we might learn to know how to choose paths of life and reject everything that leads us away from Christ and the Gospel.



Pilgrims of Hope at Lough Derg & Knock this July

Pioneers and friends of the PTAA are invited to mark the Jubilee of Hope on pilgrimage at Lough Derg from Friday 11 July - Sunday 13 July. The three days of prayer, keeping Vigil and fasting will allow us to connect in prayer with all who live under the shadow of addiction. Details from www.pioneers.ie.

Prayers will be offered at Our Lady's Shrine for all who work in alcohol and drug treatment centres around Ireland. Contact Fr Robert McCabe via prayer@pioneers.ie for further details.





WE REMEMBER AND PRAY FOR

KILMORE QUAY: Saturday: 6.00 pm.

✠ **July 5th:** We pray for all work on the seas; May God protect them in their daily work.

✠ **July 12th:** We pray for the souls of **John Power**, Kilmore Quay whose 1st anniversary occurs now, **Terence Lawton**, Grange, 8th anniversary, **Audrey Walsh**, Kilmore Quay and **Séan O'Reardon**, Malahide whose anniversaries occurs now.

TOMHAGGARD: Saturday: 7.30pm.

✠ **July 5th:** We pray for the souls of **Mai, Nick and Séan McGrath**, Tenacre, and Breda and Paddy Kehoe, Genstown, all whose anniversaries occurs now.

✠ **July 12th:** We pray for peace throughout the whole world.

KILMORE: Sunday: 10.00 am.

✠ **July 6th:** We pray for the soul of **Des Quigley**, Kilmore whose 2nd anniversary occurs, **Pat Doyle**, Libgate, 3rd anniversary, **Marie Biere, nee Pierce**, formerly of Gollough & Hamburg, Germany, whos anniversary occurs and **Liam Sheil**, Rackardstown, whose anniversary occurs now.

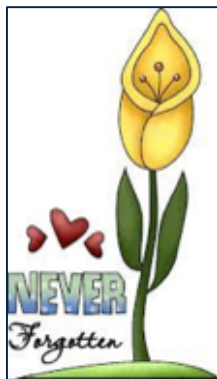
✠ **July 13th:** We pray for the soul of **Michael Maguire**, Neamstown whose month's mind occurs now, **Joe Barry**, The Hill, 4th anniversary, **Peter Bates**, Grange, 18th anniversary and **Josie Hayes**, Inchydoney, whose anniversary occurs now.

MULRANKIN: Sunday 11.30am

✠ **July 6th:** We pray for all the sick in our Parish; may God grant them healing.

✠ **July 13th:** We pray for all the people suffering in our world as a result of war, poverty and homelessness.

✠ We also remember and pray for our loved ones who have gone before us and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time. May they all rest in peace



"I believe that when death closes our eyes, we shall awaken to a light of which our sunlight is but the shadow."
(Schopenhauer)

When our earthly life is over, all that matters is the love you shared and the difference you made.

Reflection – Forgiveness

To forgive before the heart hardens, the door closes, day turns to night, the sun goes down.

To forgive the past, the accidents of life, the mistakes of other people.

No keeping records of wrong. No blaming of others. No conditions.

Forgive all—the living, the dead, oneself, God.

To forgive is to release another from bondage, to walk in freedom, to be assured of divine pardon.

Christ waits.

Parish Office



The Parish office is open Tuesday to Friday after 10am Mass to 1pm for booking anniversary masses, baptisms etc. Mass cards, various greeting cards, baptismal candles and other religious objects on sale. Tel: 053 91 35181

Devotions

Devotions are in St Mary's Church, Kilmore on Monday and Friday at 6.30pm and on Sunday 3pm – 4pm. All are welcome to attend.

Mr Ned Byrne, RIP.

The Community Development Association and our parish community is saddened at the recent passing of Ned Byrne, of the former Hotel Saltees in Kilmore Quay. Along with his brother Tommy, they contributed much to our area with the hotel being a very popular venue. The hotel offered great support to our Seafood Festival and provided us with many great nights. We extend our deepest sympathies to Tommy and family at this time.

Tomhaggard Novena 2025

The annual novena to Saint Anne will take place in Tomhaggard starting on 18th July till Friday 26th July with mass each evening at 7:30 PM in the Grotto with weather permitting. The Patron Mass will be held on Sunday the 20th at 2:00 PM followed by our field day in Tomhaggard Social Center. There will be no mass on that Sunday evening. We are appealing to you all for donations for the bottle stall, the produce stall, the wheel of fortune and bric a brac. You can leave them in the sacristy before mass or leave them at the parish office during the week during opening hours. All donations of buns or cakes for the teas each night would also be greatly appreciated, Full details on website.

Newsletter Notes

Please email notes for the newsletter to Mary Archer at maryokeeffearcher@gmail.com or phone 087 2480288 before Friday noon. Thank you

Your job is not to judge. Your job is not to figure out if someone deserves something. Your job is to lift the fallen, to restore the broken and to heal the hurting.

Thank You to All Involved in the Blessing of the Boats at Kilmore Quay

I'd like to extend my sincere gratitude to everyone who contributed to making last weekend's Blessing of the Boats such a beautiful and memorable occasion in Kilmore Quay. A special thank-you to the wonderful members of the Women's Shed, whose creativity and thoughtfulness shone through in the handcrafted scallop shell keepsakes gifted to the boat owners—an elegant and meaningful gesture that will be cherished.

To James Kehoe, thank you for the generous hospitality and for giving me the pleasure of experiencing the harbour from your boat—your kindness added a personal and joyful touch to the day. To Liam, Ruth and all members of the Choir who turned up to add their melodic voices of praise and song it was great, and finally to the unseen heroes behind the scenes who do not want me to mention their names, and whose tireless efforts in coordinating the many moving parts of the event did not go unnoticed—thank you for your dedication, organisation, and for bringing everyone together so seamlessly.

To all involved, whether behind the scenes or at the forefront, your efforts are deeply appreciated and helped create a truly special community celebration.



Congratulations Fr Eamon Salmon

On Sunday last, 29th June, in the parish of Ballygarrett, deacon Eamonn Salmon was ordained to the priesthood by Bishop Ger Nash for the diocese of Ferns. We wish him every blessing in his future ministry. More on the parish website click to discover more.

Lifeboat Day Kilmore Quay 2025

Our annual Open Day and fundraiser, will take place on Bank Holiday Sunday, August

3rd 2025. Lots of family fun with games, entertainment, stalls, and refreshments at the marina and Lifeboat house. If you would like to have a stall in the marina area on the day, please contact Johnny on 087 753 3611. Donations for the bottle stall in advance of Lifeboat Day accepted at the Lifeboat house between 9am and 5pm. Thank you for your continued support, it is very much appreciated. We look forward to seeing you on Lifeboat Day.

Pilgrimage to Knock

The annual Pioneer pilgrimage to Knock Shrine will take place on Sunday 20 July.

Blessings

'Good luck, girl, *agus go mbeannai Dia thu*,' was how my father always said goodbye to us, each time we left home. At the time, I didn't notice it, but now I realise that when he said those words, he would raise his hand, in a gesture of blessing. My mother did it differently; she blessed us with holy water as we went to bed as children, and every time we left home she blessed us in the same way, and she did it until she died, much to our embarrassment as teenagers.

Formal blessings are rare in our society now (apart from in church) but parents do it all the time to their children – laying a hand on their head or shoulder, wishing them well. A lovely custom, and one we might remember and enact more consciously. (Sr. Stanislaus Kennedy, Gardening the Soul).



St. Anne's Novena Tomhaggard, Co. Wexford 18 - 26 July 2025	
Mass in Grotto or Church All other events in the Social Centre	
18 Fri	Opening Mass @ 7.30pm Celebrant: Fr Pat Mernagh Followed by: Tea & Pongo
19 Sat	Mass @ 7.30pm Celebrant: Fr Pat Mernagh
20 Sun	Patron Mass @ 2pm Celebrant: Fr. Michael Hore Followed by: Family Field Day
21 Mon	Heading Mass @ 7.30pm Celebrant: Fr. Jim Cogley Followed by: Tea and Pongo
22 Tues	Mass @ 7.30pm Celebrant: Fr. Danny McDonald Followed by: Social Jammers
23 Weds	Mass @ 7.30pm Followed by: 30 minute History Tour Followed by: Table Quiz in the Hideout
24 Thurs	Mass @ 7.30pm Celebrant: Fr. Michael Hore Followed by: Ballycogley Players
25 Fri	Mass @ 7.30pm Celebrant: Fr. Michael Hore Followed by: Variety Night
26 Sat	Closing Mass @ 7.30pm Blessing of Religious objects Celebrant: Fr. Pat Mernagh Followed by: Tea & Pongo & Draw
Visit our 'Tomhaggard Village' page	