Kilmore Parish Newsletter

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Newsletter for the weekend of 18-19 October 2025.



Church notices

Reflection on the Gospel for the 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time.



Today's Gospel could well be called the Parable of Persistent Prayer rather than the Parable of the Unjust Judge.

In the parable, the widow was so persistent in her quest for justice that the unjust judge finally gave in to her desire. It is intention of Jesus that our prayers be persistent in order to show our total dependence on God. Prayer, when coupled with faith, produces results. We have heard Jesus a number of times emphasising the power of faith even if it is as small as a mustard seed. He also showed many times that faith was behind many of



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the miracles He performed. So let us be persistent and patient when we pray. Let us believe that God, in His mercy and grace, will answer our prayer.

Today, let us ask ourselves, "What would the Lord find in me, if he were to come today, what would he find in me, in my life, in my heart? What priorities would he see in my life?"

Weekend Masses and Anniversaries

Saturday: 6.00pm Kilmore Quay

- Toctober 18th: We pray for the soul of Paul Reynolds, Dublin, whose 2nd anniversary occurs now and Francis Walsh, Kilmore Quay, whose anniversary also occurs now.
- Toctober 25th: We pray that God will fill his people with the Holy Spirit and bring them back to the faith.

Saturday: 7.30pm Tomhaggard

- October 18th: We pray for the soul of **Kathleen Mullins**, Ballycleary, who was buried during the week, we send our condolences to all her family and friends at this time. We also pray for the soul of **Noel White**, Cousinstown, and Atlanta, Georgia, USA, who was buried in Kilmore on Friday; sympathy to all his family and friends at this time. May they both rest in peace.
- October 25th: We pray for the soul of Peter Whelan, Tomhaggard, whose anniversary occurs now.

Sunday: 10.00am Kilmore

- To October 19th: We pray for the souls of Pat and Bridget Bates, Woodville, and their grand-daughter Mary Louise, whose anniversaries occur now. We also pray for the soul of Kathleen Owens, née Cahill, Rathangan and Liverpool, whose funeral mass takes place next Saturday 25th at 12 noon in Kilmore Church with burial in St Mary's Cemetery. May she rest in peace. We pray for the soul of Ann Grainger (née O'Connell) whose cremation service took place during the week. We extend our condolences to all her family at this time.
- October 26th: We pray for the soul of John Hayes, Inchydoney, whose anniversary occurs now.

Sunday: 11.30am Mulrankin

October 19th: We pray for the souls of Mary Doyle, Killinick, whose month's mind occurs now, Kitty Earle, Lakelands, whose month's mind also occurs, and Jim Roche, Lakelands, whose 3rd anniversary occurs now. We also pray for the soul of Bridie Lynch, whose funeral took place during the week. We extend our sympathy to John and all her extended family and friends at this time. May she rest in peace.

Reader: Aiden Miskella.

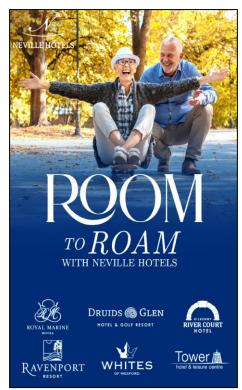
October 26th: We pray for all those who work in our emergency services.

Reader: Mary Doyle.

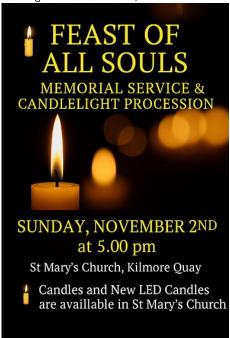
A Heartfelt Thank You

As we reflect on our 150th Celebration Mass in St Peter's Church, Kilmore Quay, our hearts are full of gratitude for the many hands and hearts that made it so special. To all who prepared, participated in, and prayed with us — thank you. From those who arranged flowers, to those who welcomed, read, and ministered on the day; to all who volunteered and supported behind the scenes — Thanks also to Chris, Sr Mary and Mag for their quiet dedication, it will not be forgotten. To our wonderful Choir, whose voices lifted our spirits and deepened our prayer — thank you. And to Liam, Kathleen, and Carmel, whose music and presence enriched the liturgy with grace and joy, we are deeply grateful.

To the Kinsella family, thank you for leading us in our final song — a moving tribute to Kilmore Quay that stirred both memory and pride in our shared story. To the team at the Stella Maris Centre, to all our volunteers who helped decorate the centre; thank you especially to Bernie and Mary and all her team for hosting such a warm and joyful Thanksgiving Supper. Your hospitality created an



evening to remember. To all who worked on our Commemorative Booklet — thank you especially to Dick and Elaine for their generosity of time and diligence in gifting us a beautiful keepsake, rich in history and memory, that will be treasured for years to come. And to Bishop Ger, whose presence and words brought encouragement and joy — thank you for guiding us in prayer and for walking with us on this milestone day. May the joy of this celebration continue to inspire us as we journey together in faith, hope, and love. With every blessing and heartfelt thanks, Fr Pat.



Remembering our Dead on the Feast of all Souls

You are invited to gather in love and remembrance for all our departed on Sunday, November 2nd at 5.00 pm at St Mary's Church, Kilmore, for a Special Memorial Service and Candlelit Procession. A candlelit procession to the graveyard will follow the service, honouring those we carry in our hearts. Candles and new led lights are available in St Mary's Church this weekend and for the next two weeks. Call in to buy your candle. All are welcome to join this sacred evening of prayer, memory, and light. The Memorial Service starts at 5pm and then we will process to the Graveyard to pray for all our Loved ones and place our lights on their graves. All are Welcome.

Mission Sunday 2025

Pope Leo XIV calls on every Catholic parish to take



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part in World Mission Sunday, 19 October, recalling how the generosity that day concretely enables and sustains the good work of missionaries worldwide, as he saw

firsthand while serving in Peru. World Mission Sunday is the Holy Father's annual appeal for spiritual and financial support so that the life-giving work of overseas mission and missionaries can continue. It always falls on the second last Sun-

day in October, This year there are Special envelopes available for you to take home and return next week with your donation to help missionaries in the poorest part of the world.



Thank you in advance for your generosity.

The Feast of All Saints

The Feast of All Saints occurs on Saturday 1st November and is a Holy day of Obligation and mass will be celebrated n St Mary's Church, Kilmore, at 11am, All are welcome.

The Altar lists for the Dead for the month of November are now available at the back of all the churches. Please take one home and enclose your list of the dead and your offering.

Donations to our parish

If you haven't yet collected your parish envelope for the new year, please call to the sacristy after mass. And if you are a PAYE and self-assessed taxpayer: When you give €250 or more in any year to the Church via the envelope system or other donations, the Church can claim tax back from the Revenue, at no extra cost to you. Copies of the certificates are available in each Church this weekend – we would be grateful if you could please complete and return to the Parish Office. For anyone new who would like to participate in the scheme, please also complete the same certificate to sign-up. Alternatively, please contact Fr. Pat in the Parish Office.

October Rosary Prayer Times

October is the month of the Holy Rosary and The Rosary prayer times for this month are: Tomhaggard each evening at 7pm and 3pm on Sunday, Kilmore each evening at 6:30pm, and Kilmore Quay 7:15 Sunday to Friday. All are welcome.

Parish Newsletter

Our newsletter is available on the parish website each week at www.kilmore_parish.com. Please take home a copy home to a housebound neighbour so that he/she feels connected to the parish.

Mass online and via the parish radio

To access Mass on the parish website, go to www.kilmoreparish.com. The webcam goes live 15 minutes before Mass. To access Mass on the parish radio, tune in to 103.90FM.

Requests for Anniversary Masses

All requests for anniversary masses must be made to the parish office. The office is open Tuesday to Friday between 10.30am and 12.30pm. We cannot accept any requests that are left on the answering machine in accordance with GDPR.

Child Protection Services

To seek support or advice, or to report any concerns you may have with regard to child protection matters, please contact the following parish safeguarding officers: Paul: 087 774 5546 (Kilmore area), Pat 087 278 5156 (Tomhaggard/Mulrankin area) and John 087 914 8009 (Kilmore Quay area).

Community notices

Ballycogley Players Drama Group

A special autumn schedule is in store for you all over the next few weeks. Ballycogley Players present "Drama Through The Decades", one-act comedy "A Pound on Demand" by Seán O'Casey and "Moments and Memories", a trip down memory lane celebrating 50 years. Performance dates are as follows:-

- 29th & 30th Oct: Wexford Arts Centre, nightly at 8pm, booking <u>www.wexfordartscentre.ie</u> or by phoning 053 912 3764,
- 2nd Nov: Carrig on Bannow Community Centre.

- 7th Nov: Our Lady's Island Community Hall,
- 9th Nov: Rathangan Hall,
- 14th Nov: Ballycogley Hall, and
- 16th Nov: Stella Maris Centre, Kilmore Quay.

All performances apart from Wexford Arts Centre begin at 7.30pm with admission on the door €10. The cast for the full length 2026 circuit play "All My Sons" by Arthur Miller and directed by Brigid Scully has been announced as follows: Joe Keller - Sean Carthy, Kate Keller - Catherine Murphy, Chris Keller - Ronan Berry, Ann Deever - Ciara Spellman, George Deever - Edward Hayden, Dr Jim Bayliss - Colm Doyle, Sue Bayliss - Siobhan Murphy, Frank Lubey - Fr Pat Mernagh, Lydia Lubey - Trish Boyce, Bert - to be confirmed. We wish Brigid and her cast all the very best with rehearsals over the next few months.



This week's Community Lotto

The numbers drawn in this week's Lotto were 3, 22, 24, and 29. There were three match-three winners each receiving €70. There was no jackpot winner. Next week's jackpot stands at €4600.

Parish Meals on Wheels

The service demands are growing with more people joining and we continue 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 053 912 9922. Thank you.

Cleaning service available

Reliable, hard-working Ukrainian lady seeks cleaning work in the Kilmore area. References available. Please call 089 491 2516.

Vinyl Music Night

We are delighted to invite all music lovers, audiophiles, nostalgia-seekers, and curious newcomers to our upcoming second Vinyl Music Night on Thursday 30th October, 8pm-9.30pm, in the AOH Hall, Bridgetown. For further information reach out to Stephen at sheffernan2222@gmail.com or 087 228 9102.

Next newsletter

Items for publication in next weekend's 'Community notices' are very welcome and should be submitted before 12 noon on Fridays to kilmorenewsletter@gmail.com.