

*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](http://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

### 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 is free to call our Bereavement Support line 1800 80 7077 Monday to Friday 10am to 1pm.

### Pieta

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/email [helpline@alzheimier.ie](mailto:helpline@alzheimier.ie)

*Be gentle with each other today. You have no idea how much we all hurt.*

### Save the Date! Garden Party and Plant Sale

Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> May 2pm-6pm sees the welcome return of a favourite fundraising event in the Kilmore Quay RNLi calendar, the garden party in Ballyburn. There will be a plant sale, refreshments, entertainment, garden games and fun for all the family!

### Community Lotto

The numbers drawn in this week's Lotto were 7. 21. 27. 28. There were 6 match 3 winners each receiving €35. There was no jackpot winner. Next week's jackpot stands €10,000

A pious old man prayed five times a day while his business partner never set foot in church. And now, on his eightieth birthday he prayed thus:

"Oh Lord our God! Since I was a youth not a day have I allowed to pass without coming to church in the morning and saying my prayers at the five specified times. No! a single move, not one decision, important or trifling did I make without first invoking your Name. And now, in my old age, I have doubled my exercises of piety and pray to you ceaselessly, night and day. Yet here I am, poor as a church mouse. But look at my business partner. He drinks and gambles and, even at his advanced age, consorts with women of questionable character yet he's rolling in wealth. I wonder if a single prayer has ever crossed his lips.

Now, Lord, I do not ask that he be punished, for that would be unchristian. But please tell me: Why, why, why... have you let him prosper and why do you treat me thus?"

"Because," said God in reply, "you are such a monumental bore!"

The Rule in a monastery was not, "Do not speak," but, "Do not speak unless you can improve on the silence."

Might not the same be said of prayer? (Anthony de Mello *Prayer of the Frog*.)

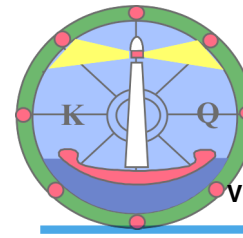


### Totalitarianism

To the disciples' embarrassment the Master once told a bishop that religious people have a natural bent for cruelty. "Why?" demanded the disciples after the bishop had gone. "Because they all too easily sacrifice persons for the advancement of a purpose." Said the Master. (Anthony de Mello, *One Minute Wisdom*)

*In a world where you can be anything – be kind.*

*It is okay to feel you are on the right path, but it is NOT okay to think that yours is the only path.*



## NEWS & REFLECTIONS

### St Peter's Church Kilmore Quay Co Wexford

V Rev Fr. Patrick Mernagh: 086 2256794



Sixth Sunday of Easter – May 10<sup>th</sup> 2026

*May the nourishment of the earth be yours  
May the clarity of life be yours  
May the fluency of the ocean be yours  
May the protection of the ancestors be yours  
May the faith that moves mountains be yours*

We welcome Fr Sean Devereux to our Parish this weekend to celebrate all our weekend masses with you, as I join, and wish the Ballycogley Players and the other three Wexford drama groups from the County the very best for the RTÉ All Ireland Drama Festival 2026 Gala Awards to be held this Saturday night and it will stream live on [rte.ie/culture](http://rte.ie/culture).

### Reflection on the Gospel for the 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

In today's Gospel Jesus says to his disciples "If you love me, you will keep my commandments". The most essential commandments Jesus shared with his followers were, firstly to love God with all your hearts and souls and secondly to love all others as we love ourselves. The second commandment is essential to the first because the way we love God with all our hearts and souls is to treat others as we would want them to treat us. Left to ourselves, this is not always an easy thing to do but Jesus promised to send his Holy Spirit to help us and to remind us all that he asks of us. So, we ask the Holy Spirit, whom we first received in Baptism, to keep filling our thoughts, words and deeds so that we fulfil his command to love others as ourselves.

*During this special Easter period, may we be strengthened, comforted and inspired by the Holy Spirit of*



*God.*

### Pope Leo's Anniversary Message

One year into his papacy, Pope Leo XIV's core message is clear:

- Do not become desensitised to suffering — the world's "images of death" must move us to compassion and action.
- Renew hope where life is fragile, especially among the poor, the sick, and those living with insecurity.
- Strengthen relationships and seek peace, both locally and globally.
- Let faith inspire charity, not complacency.

This anniversary was not a celebration of office, but a reminder of mission.





**WE REMEMBER & PRAY FOR KILMORE QUAY: 6pm Saturday**

† **May 9<sup>th</sup>**: We pray for the soul of **Jim Archer**, Chapel Gardens, whose 3<sup>rd</sup> anniversary occurs now, and **Frank Scallan**, Kilmore Quay, whose 4<sup>th</sup> anniversary occurs now. We pray for the soul of **Mollie Keating**, Newtown, whose anniversary occurs now.

† **May 16<sup>th</sup>**: We pray for all the children who received the Sacrament of Communion in our Parish this weekend. May they continue to build on their faith in the years ahead.

**TOMHAGGARD: Saturday 7.30 pm.**

† **May 9<sup>th</sup>**: We pray for the soul of **Owenie Whelan**, Ballyregan, whose 1<sup>st</sup> anniversary occurs now.

† **May 16<sup>th</sup>**: We pray for the soul of **Peter Sills**, Gollough, whose month's mind occurs now, and we also pray for **Mikie Codd**, Gollough, whose 31<sup>st</sup> anniversary occur now. We pray for **Seamus, James and Ellen Corcoran**, Genstown, all whose anniversaries occur now.

**KILMORE: Sunday 10am.**

† **May 10<sup>th</sup>**: We pray for the soul of **Jo Doyle**, Libgate, whose 1<sup>st</sup> anniversary occurs now. We pray for the soul of **Paul Hayes**, Inchydoney, whose anniversary occurs now. We pray for the soul of **Jerry Anglim**, Ballyhealy, whose anniversary occurs now.

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† **May 17<sup>th</sup>**: We pray for the souls of **Billy Winters**, The Beake, whose 1<sup>st</sup> anniversary occurs now and **Peter Rowe**, Tullibards, whose 7<sup>th</sup> anniversary occurs now.

**MULRANKIN: Sunday 11.30 am.**

† **May 10<sup>th</sup>**: We pray for the soul of **Carmel Ryan**, Roscrea and Kinsale, whose month's mind occur now. We pray for **Sile Corish, Jnr**, Sweetmount, whose 3<sup>rd</sup> anniversary occurs now. We pray for the soul of **Ciaran Cave**, Mulrankin, whose 7<sup>th</sup> anniversary occurs now.

† **May 17<sup>th</sup>**: We pray for the soul of **Margaret Sinnott**, Mulrankin, whose 21<sup>st</sup> anniversary occurs now.

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

**Reflection**

*We can never judge the lives of others because each person knows only their own pain and renunciation.*

**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. **053 919 1830**

**Diary Dates**

Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> May 2pm-6pm fundraising event in the Kilmore Quay RNLi calendar, the garden party in Ballyburn.

Patron Sunday in Kilmore May 31<sup>st</sup> at 2pm The New Cemetery, Kilmore. Field Day afterwards in the school. All Are Welcome. All members of our Parish Choirs are invited to Sing on the Day to honour all our loved ones and pray for them on this day.

Patron Grange Cemetery – Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June @ 7.30 Seafood Festival '26: We look forward to another great community event and Festival from July 9th to 12<sup>th</sup>

**Sacrament of Communion**

The children from our Parish will be receiving the Sacrament of Communion next Saturday at 11am in Kilmore Parish Church. We hope they all have a lovely day with their family and friends.

**Lourdes Pilgrimage**

We wish all those travelling on the Lourdes Pilgrimage this year a safe journey and may they return refreshed mentally, physically and spiritually.

**Newsletter Notes**

Please email notes for the newsletter to Mary Archer before Friday noon at [maryokeeffearcher@gmail.com](mailto:maryokeeffearcher@gmail.com)

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).

**Religion**

A priest ordered his deacon to assemble ten men to chant prayers for the recovery of a sick man. When they had all come in, someone whispered into the ear of the priest. "There are some notorious thieves among those men." "All the better," said the priest. "When the Gates of Mercy are shut, these are the experts who will open them." (Anthony de Mello, *Prayer of the Frog*.)



*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.*



Hearty Congratulations to Kilmore Team 1 who won the Co Wexford Shield this week and will represent Wexford at the National Phoenix Competition in Castlesanderson in August. They also won "Spirit of the Shield" and "Best Bases" awards along with a Gold Standard. Team 2 achieved a Silver Standard in their first Scout Shield, a fantastic achievement for such a young team.

**Stella Maris Centre Community Café**

Don't forget to book your table for breakfast or lunch at the Centre and contact Bernie at 053 9129922. Take away meals and platters of sandwiches available for all your occasions.

TOMHAGGARD CLEAN COASTS GROUP

**DUSK CHORUS WALK**

**Tacumshane Lake**

18<sup>th</sup> MAY 7.30PM

WITH ORNITHOLOGIST CIAN CARDIFF

PARK AT BIDDINGSTOWN CASTLE

REFRESHMENTS AFTERWARDS AT THE CASTLE

FREE EVENT

**JOIN US IN PRAYER**

† **ST MARY'S ROSARY**

MON - FRI 6:30 PM  
WED 6:30 PM (GROTTO)

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**ST PETER'S KILMORE QUAY**

MON - FRI 7:15 PM

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**TOMHAGGARD GROTTO**

EACH EVENING  
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