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

Child Protection Services
To seek support o**r advice, or to report any con**cerns you may have with regard to child protection matters, please contact any the following parish safe-guarding off**icers: Paul: 087 774 5546 (Kil**more area), Pat **087 278 5156 (Tomhaggard / Mul**rankin area) and John 087 914 8009 (Kilmore Quay area).

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@alzheimer.ie



Pope Leo's Intention for November
For the proper use of wealth. Let us pray for the proper use of wealth, that not succumbing to the temptation of selfishness, it may always be put at the service of the common good and solidarity with those who have little.

When you lose someone you love,
Your life becomes strange,
The ground beneath you becomes fragile,
Your thoughts make your eyes unsure;
And some dead echo drags your voice down
Where words have no confidence
Your heart has grown heavy with loss;
And though this loss has wounded others too,
No one knows what has been taken from you
When the silence of absence deepens.

Flickers of guilt kindle regret
For all that was left unsaid or undone.

There are days when you wake up happy;
Again inside the fullness of life,
Until the moment breaks
And you are thrown back
Onto the black tide of loss.

Days when you have your heart back

You are able to function well,
Until in the middle of work or encounter
Suddenly with no warning,
You are ambushed by grief

It becomes hard to trust yourself.
All you can depend on now is that
Sorrow will remain faithful to itself.
More than you, it knows its way
And will find the right time
To pull and pull the rope of grief
Until that coiled hill of tears
Has reduced to its last drop.

Gradually, you will learn acquaintance
With the invisible form of your departed;
And when the work of grief is done,
The wound of loss will heal
And you will have learned
To wean your eyes

From that gap in the air
And be able to enter the hearth
In your soul where your loved one
Has awaited your return
All the time

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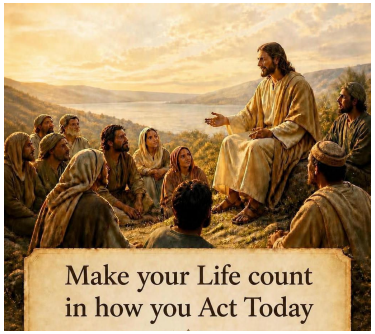




Feast of All Saints —1st November 2026

As we enter the winter, we come to the Sabbath time of year, when nature rests. In our anxiety to go places and do things in our busy lives, we miss things in the world about us and lose opportunities for grace. A sense of Sabbath, a commitment to taking time and space out of our busy lives and giving it to the sacred, can restore our openness to grace and make us alive to the miracles around us. (Sr Stanislaus Kennedy, *Gardening the Soul)*

Reflection on the Gospel for the Feast of All Saints
In today's Gospel, Jesus invites us to follow the challenging yet life-giving Way of the Beatitudes. He calls us to choose humility, compassion, justice, and peace over wealth, power, and popularity. This way of life asks us to look beyond ourselves, show mercy, and stand with those who are struggling. The Beatitudes are more than words to admire—they are an invitation to shape our choices each day. How can we live them more fully and bring God's love and hope to those around us?



Get Your Candles This Weekend
Let a candle carry your love and remembrance to those who have gone before us. Candles and LED candles are available at St Mary's Church, Kilmore, this weekend and for the next two weeks. Call in to get yours and remember your loved ones in this special way. They are available at the top of the church with a donation of two euros per candle.
All are warmly invited to the Memorial Prayer Service at St Mary's Church on Monday, November 2, at 7.00 pm. After the service, we will walk together in a candlelit procession to the graveyard, where we will pray for our departed loved ones and place our lights on their graves.



ALL THOSE WHO HAVE LOST A LOVED ONE IN THE PAST YEAR ARE INVITED TO LEAD THE PROCESSION.

Praying for the Dead in November
In November, beginning with the Feasts of All Saints and All Souls, the Church invites us to pause and remember those who have died. In a world that moves quickly and often leaves little space for reflection, taking time to pray for our loved ones is a meaningful act of love. It keeps their memory close and expresses our faith in the Communion of Saints—that we remain united in God's love, even in death. In all our churches, you can pick up a November altar list of the Dead and write out the names of all your loved ones and place them in the special place reserved for them at the top of the church.
As Pope Leo reminds us, reflecting on death can help us recognise what truly matters and choose how we want to live. Remembering those who have gone before us can inspire us to cherish the people beside us, live with greater kindness, and place our hope in God.

WE REMEMBER & PRAY FOR

KILMORE QUAY: 6pm Saturday.

✞ **Oct 31st:** We pray for the soul of **Greg Stafford,** Mill Road Farm, whose month's mind occurs now. We pray for the soul of **Patricia Wheelock,** Enniscorthy, sister of Sally Griffiths who died during the week. Sympathy to her family and friends. May they all Rest in Peace. We pray for all families who have lost a loved one this year, and we also remember all our loved ones buried in St Mary's Cemetery on this weekend, the feast of All Saints and All Souls.

✞ **Nov 7th:** We pray for the souls of **Bill Roche,** Neamstown, whose anniversary occurs now. We pray for the soul of **Rose Culleton Keating**, Kilmore Quay, whose anniversary occur now. We pray for the soul of **Joe Lambert,** Cork and Wexford, whose 10th anniversary occurs now, and we remember **Gerald Lambert** at this time

TOMHAGGARD: Saturday 7.30 pm.

✞ **Oct 31st:** We pray for the soul of **Elsie Redmond,** who died during the week, sympathy to her family and friends. May she Rest in Peace. We pray for all families who have lost a loved one this year, and we also remember all our loved ones buried in St Mary's Cemetery on this weekend, the feast of All Saints and All Souls.

✞ **Nov 7th:** We pray for the soul of **Myra Kirwan,** Randalstown, whose anniversary occurs now.

KILMORE: Sunday 10am

✞ **Nov 1st:** We pray for the soul of **John Morgan**, Dublin and Ballyhealy, whose anniversary occurs now. We pray for the soul of **Patsy Byrne**, Ballygrangans, whose 9th anniversary occurs now and we also remember her husband **Vin** at this time. We pray for all families who have lost a loved one this year, and we also remember all our loved ones buried in St Mary's Cemetery on this weekend, the feast of All Saints and All Souls.

✞ **Nov 1st:** We pray for the soul of **John Morgan,** Dublin and Ballyhealy, whose anniversary occurs now. We pray for the soul of **Patsy Byrne**, Ballygrangans, whose 9th anniversary occurs now and we also remember her husband **Vin** at this time. We pray for the soul of **Dick Power,** Sarshill, whose 40th anniversary occurs now and we also remember his wife **Rita** and son **Jim** at this time. We pray for the soul of **Betty Lambert Lacey,** Ballask, whose anniversary occurs now. We pray for the soul of **Marie Banville,** Taghmon, sister of Irene Stafford and John Keane, who died during the week. Sympathy to her family and friends. May they all Rest in Peace. We pray for all families who have lost a loved one this year, and we also remember all our loved ones buried in St Mary's Cemetery on this weekend, the feast of All Saints and All Souls.

✞ **Nov 8th:** We pray for the soul of **Mary McBride,** Ballycleary, whose 2nd anniversary occurs now. We pray for the soul of **Brian O'Riordan**, Ballyhealy, whose 2nd anniversary occurs now. We pray for the soul of **John Fortune,** Ballyhealy, whose 3rd anniversary occurs now. We pray for the soul of **Pauline Dwyer,** Ballask, whose anniversary occurs now.

MULRANKIN: Sunday11.30 am

✞ **Nov 1st:** We pray for the souls of **Peader and Lil Bates,** Bridgetown, whose anniversary occurs now, and we also remember **Alan Bates**, at this time. We pray for all families who have lost a loved one this year, and we also remember all our loved ones buried in St Mary's Cemetery on this weekend, the feast of All Saints and All Souls

✞ **Nov 1st:** We pray for the soul of **Tommy Cooney**, Bridgetown, whose 3rd anniversary occurs now. We pray for the souls of **Peader and Lil Bates,** Bridgetown, whose anniversary occurs now, and we also remember **Alan Bates**, at this time. We pray for the soul of **Kathleen Codd,** Drinagh, former housekeeper in Mulrankin Church house, who died during the week, sympathy to her family and friends. We pray for the soul of **Marie Banville,** Taghmon, sister of John Keane and Irene Stafford, who died during the week, sympathy to her family and friends. May they all Rest in Peace. We pray for all families who have lost a loved one this year, and we also remember all our loved ones buried in St Mary's Cemetery on this weekend, the feast of All Saints and All Souls.

✞ **Nov 8th:** We pray for all the sick in our Parish; may God grant them healing and strength.

Notice

First Saturday Devotions will be in Tomhaggard Church on Saturdays commencing Saturday 9th November at 9am. All are welcome.

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**

Newsletter Notes

Please email notes for the newsletter to Mary before Friday noon at maryokeeffearcher@gmail.com

A Prayer for the Month of November

Dear God, we thank you for the people in our lives, whom we are remembering in a special way during November. We thank God for walking with us in our dark moments of grief and loneliness. Lord, continue to be our light, giving us hope and courage. May we live out our lives treasuring the memories of our special people whom we have known and loved and help us to bring that light and hope to others. Amen. (Sr. Stanislaus Kennedy, *Gardening the Soul).*

Ballycogley Players Drama Group



A reminder that our 1 act autumn schedule kicks off this weekend, details of plays and performance venues & dates as follows - "Post-Its" by Paul Dooley & Winnie Holzman, directed by Rose Walsh, "A Little Box of Oblivion" by Stephen Bean, directed by Des Pollard, "A Dogs Life" by Pam Valentine directed by Michael Gilbert & "Somewhere Out There" - a collaboration of Ballycogley Players Youth Theatre directed by Breda Hayes, Annette Dupuy & Kathleen Tierney. Performance dates as follows: Our Lady's Island Community Centre Nov 1st, Wexford Arts Centre Nov 4th & 5th (tickets at www.wexfordartscentre.ie or 053 9123764), Stella Maris Centre, Kilmore Quay Nov 8th, Carrig on Bannow Nov 15th & Rathangan Hall Nov 21st. All performances will begin at 7.30pm and admission is €15 (pay at the door at all venues expect Wexford Arts Centre where booking is required as per details given). Best of luck to all involved. We very much look forward to seeing our lovely audiences at one of the venues, enjoy.

Community Lotto

The numbers drawn in this week's Lotto were 1. 6. 16. 29.There were 2 match 3 winners each receiving €100.There was no jackpot winner. Next week's jackpot stands at €3,400

ICA News

Chair Yoga will begin next Wednesday November 4th in Stella Maris Centre at 1pm.€10 per class. Non-members are most welcome.

A huge thank you to everyone who supported our Coffee Morning last Sunday. It was a wonderful success.

Tea and Talk thank you

Kilmore SCOPE would like to thank everyone who supported our Tea & Talk Coffee Morning, which took place in The AOH Hall, Bridgetown, on Friday, October 9th. We are delighted to announce that €424.40 was raised for Pieta House. A huge thank you to everyone who came along and supported us on the day, as well as to all the local businesses and local people who very kindly donated spot prizes. Your generosity and support helped make it such a lovely morning. It was a wonderful morning for a wonderful cause, and Kilmore SCOPE would like to thank everyone who helped make it such a success.

Service of Remembrance

Wexford General Hospital is holing their annual Service of Remembrance at Clonard Church, Wexford on Thursday 12th November 2026 at 7.30pm. The Service of Remembrance is particularly intended for families and friends of those who died at Wexford General Hospital over the past year or who have a strong connection with the hospital. However, the service is also open to anyone who wishes to attend.

Date for your Diary

Kilmore Community Choir will be holding its annual Christmas concert in St Marys Parish Church on Monday 14th December. Further details will follow. We look forward to seeing you there.

Jesus himself commonly points to things like the red sky, a hen, lilies, the fig tree, a donkey caught in a pit, the birds of the air, the grass in the field, the temple animals that he released from their cages, and on and on. He was clearly looking at the seemingly "nonreligious" world, ordinary things all around him, and appeared to do most of his teaching outside.

Imagine how different the world would be if we just obeyed that one commandment to love our neighbour as we love ourselves. (Richard Rohr)

