

Kincasslagh Parish Newsletter, 17th May 2015

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Schedule of Masses

St. Mary's Church, Kincasslagh

Next Weekend

Saturday @ 7.00 p.m.

Sunday @ 10.00 a.m.

This Week

Monday & Wednesday @ 7.00 p.m.

Saturday @ 2.00 p.m.

St. Columba's Church, Burtonport

Next Weekend

Saturday @ 6.00 p.m.

Sunday @ 11.00 a.m.

Next Week

Monday, Tuesday & Thursday @ 10.00 a.m.

Friday @ 7.00 p.m.

Anniversaries & Masses

Bernie Breen, Glasgow & Burtonport, Months Mind, Sat 16th StC

Annie & Brian Ward, Lr Keadue, Sat 16th, StM

Peter Moy McCreath & Mary Moy Canning, Sun 17th, StM

Eileen Bonner, Months Mind, Sun 17th, StC

Julia O'Donnell, Monday evening, StM

Thomas Davidson, Wednesday, StM

Annie Sweeney, Crickamore, Months mind, Friday, StC

Bernard Whitty, Ashes present, Sat @ 2 pm StM

Mary Gallagher, Dungloe, Sat 23rd, StC

Denis Gallagher (Frank Óg), Sat 23rd, StC

Rose Gallagher, Gortnasade, Sun 24th, StM

Bernie Donaghy, Arlands, Sun 24th, StC

Fundraising Events

Caislean Oir, Annagry

Quiz on **Wednesday @ 9.30 pm**. Proceeds in aid of the **LOCAL BRANCH OF SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL**. Teams for 4, €20 per team.

St. Mary's Hall, Kincasslagh

Bingo on **Friday night at 8.30 p.m.** in aid of **KEADUE ROVERS FC**. Snowball is € 1,450 and the Jackpot stands at €3,900. Both senior and reserve teams have now finished their season and we want to thank all players & club members for their contributions throughout the year.

OFFICIAL OPENING OF OLD RAILWAY WALK

Friday evening (June 6th) and the whole day Saturday (6th June). You're going to have to keep these dates free as you are all officially invited to

this very special event which marks the 75th anniversary of the official closing down of the original railway line and will now mark the official opening date of the finished stretch of Donegal Greenway between Burtonport and Meenbannad.

We are currently putting together a programme of events which will take place between 6pm on Friday 5th and finishing up on Saturday 6th @6.

The programme of events has not been confirmed as yet but what is confirmed is that we are going to need the help and support of the local community to assist us on the day.

If you feel that you could offer some help with catering, marshaling, setting up, sponsoring a prize, making tea etc... for a couple of hours over this weekend, we would be extremely grateful to hear from you.

Can someone sort out the sunshine please :)?

Congratulations - 50th Anniversary



To Francie and Kate McGovern who recently celebrated 50 years of marriage, pictured below with their grandchildren.

PLAYMATTERS

The ArTBoX at Playmatters has now finished up for the summer but will have one last meeting this Monday when the group will take its annual outing. This year Monday 18th May the group will head out to TROPICAL WORLD in Letterkenny. Bus leaving DUNGLOE AT 9.45 - RETURNING to DUNGLOE AT 1.45. Cost €10 per family. If you have a toddler and would like to join us for the trip please book your seat by texting 086386546.

Youth Project: Well done Walk-A-Thon Crew that completed a mammoth dander of 8Km this week. Walks run each Tue with the project, new members welcome to join in (10-14 Yrs). Next dander will be a short 5Km with refreshments afterwards. Check FB or Instagram (Rosses NYP) for latest details or TEXT 086 8280149

Good luck to all members of the Donegal panel facing Tyrone next weekend in Ballybofey, especially Dungloe Minor players; Danny Rodgers, Mathew Ward, Brian O'Donnell, Barry Curran and Ryan Greene and senior player Cory Gallagher.

Befriending service

Volunteers wanted in the Rosses. Have you 1 or 2 hours in the week to spare and share. Volunteers urgently needed to visit isolated elderly people. Loneliness is considered a serious health risk. A volunteer visit of just one hour a week can make a huge difference. Volunteers will be trained and Garda vetted. For more information call 074 9561686 or contact the Rosses cDP, Chapel Road, Dungloe.

Marriage is important – Reflect before you change it

Within weeks the people of Ireland will be asked to vote in a referendum that will change the meaning of marriage in the Constitution of Ireland. Marriage is of fundamental importance for children, mothers and fathers, and society – all of us need to reflect deeply before changing it. We ask the people of Ireland to consider very carefully the profound implications which this constitutional amendment would have on the family environment and on our understanding of parenthood.

We respect the views of people who think differently to us, trusting that our sincerely held views, grounded in faith, will also be heard and respected.

We come to this debate believing that the union of a man and a woman in marriage, open to the procreation of children, is a gift from God who created us 'male and female'. Reason also points to the truth about human sexuality that makes the relationship between a man and a woman unique. Mothers and fathers bring different, yet complementary gifts and strengths into a child's life.

We cannot support an amendment to the Constitution which redefines marriage and effectively places the union of two men, or two women, on a par with the marriage relationship between a husband and wife which is open to the procreation of children.

We are concerned that, should the amendment be passed, it will become increasingly difficult to speak any longer in public about marriage as being between a man and a woman. What will we be expected to teach children in school about marriage? Will those who sincerely continue to believe that marriage is between a man and a woman be forced to act against their conscience? Can a way be found to protect the civil rights of gay people without undermining the fundamental meaning of marriage as commonly understood across cultures, faiths and down the ages?

Already, in The Children and Family Relationships Bill, it is proposed to remove mention of mothers and fathers from a whole raft of previous legislation.

We encourage everyone to think about these issues and to vote on May 22nd. The effects of this proposed amendment will be far-reaching for this and for future generations. We say to all voters: Marriage is important – Reflect before you change it.

We invite people of faith to bring this decision to prayer. In the coming weeks, and particularly in May, the month of Mary, we call for prayer for Marriage and the Family.

Bishop Boyce has asked us to announce the importance of using your vote next Friday in the referendum.