

Fundraising Project

FRIENDS OF ST MARY'S CHURCH, KINCASSLAGH PARISH



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A Brief History of St Mary's Church, Kincasslagh

St. Mary's Church, in Belcruit was the parish Church of Lower Templecrone. Built in 1856, it has served the people of the parish for over a century and a half. A fire in the sacristy in 1927 saw it badly damaged, but was reopened in 1929 after repairs. The baptismal records between 1900-1927 were lost in the fire.

The Church is cruciform in shape, and boasts a fine gallery with a choir loft. The original altar made from Italian marble was adapted for the new liturgy after Vatican II and stands as an impressive structure in the sanctuary area. The church is built right on the seashore, barely visible from the main road. Its position is confusing until you realise that in the time it was built, nobody had a car, and the beaches around the area were a popular path for locals to get from one place to another. Looking out from the back of the chapel, its positioning becomes clear. It served a pedestrian congregation who could easily access the church from the many beautiful beaches along our shore.

Our hope for the Future.....

It is with thanks to a great community that St Mary's Church and its grounds are kept to a high standard. The numbers of people attending weekly masses has decreased, in turn the weekly collection has also decreased. Our Church building and grounds need constant maintenance and repairs and so we are looking to see if members of the community at home or further a field would like to help support St Mary's Church.

The first project needing addressed is a new heating system and essential maintenance with an estimated target of over €80,000. So how can you help? You can help by entering into our monthly draw.

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We need you ...

How will it work

For €5 per week (€20 per month) you will be supporting St Mary's church on a regular basis along with being in with a chance to win one of our monthly prizes.

Payments can be made by

- Standing order to IBAN IE19 BOFI 9048 7843 220708
BIC BOFI IE 2D
Account KINCASSLAGH PARISH
- Annual cheque
- You can take a Friends of St Mary's Church envelope and donate weekly or monthly at any mass you attend, so long as the envelope is in before the 20th of each month.
- On the First Sunday of the month St Marys hall will be open for tea after mass where you can call in for a chat and tea with all the Friends of the church and leave your donation there.

or alternatively if you are just wanting to make a donation and not be entered in the draw you can do so at any time by hitting the Donate button on the Parish Facebook page.

If your donations is €250 per year or more (and you are happy to allow us) we could also claim the tax credit on a charitable donation.

You will receive a Friends of St Mary's Church, Kincasslagh Parish newsletter by email twice a year to keep you informed of any projects that are underway and news of upcoming events in the church.

The Friends of St Mary's Church, Kincasslagh parish is run by a small committee with the support of our Parish Priest.



Friends

BECOME OUR CHOSEN

Family

Please Sign Up

Name (to which a note will be made of contribution if requested)

Address . _____

Eircode .

Telephone no. _____

Email address (to which the newsletter will be sent)

I/we understand that a sum of €20 will be payable every month to the friends of St Mary's Church, Kincasslagh Parish or I/we understand that St Mary's Church, Kincasslagh Parish will forward the completed Standing Order Mandate to the bank indicated and that €20 will be taken from my/our account on the first of each month, or a sum of £240 to be paid annually via cheque or Standing Order and paid into the St Mary's Church, Kincasslagh Parish bank account until I/we advise the bank otherwise.

I/we agree that if we wish to cancel this order I/we will notify St Mary's Church, Kincasslagh Parish of this decision.

Signature _____

Date: _____

Please return this form to a Committee Member together with your Cash/Standing Order Mandate/cheque made out to St Mary's Church so we can update our records

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT AND GOOD LUCK