

Kincasslagh Parish Newsletter, 22nd March 2020

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Schedule of Masses

St. Mary's Church, Kincasslagh

[Next Weekend](#)

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St. Columba's Church, Acres

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Sunday @ 11.30 a.m. Web Cam only

[Next Week](#)

10.00 a.m. on webcam. Monday to Friday.

11.00 a.m. Saturday. Without Congregation

The intentions below will be offered during these masses.

This is a necessary closure and one that every church needs to have for this kind of maintenance.

COVID-19 Support Line for Older People

ALONE has launched a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to the outbreak of COVID-19 (Coronavirus). Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open Monday to Friday, 8am-8pm, by calling 0818 222 024. Hours may be extended to meet the demand.

Keadue F.C

Due to the current situation, all Keadue Rovers Seniors, Reserves and Underage training and matches have been postponed until further notice.

No one Dies Alone

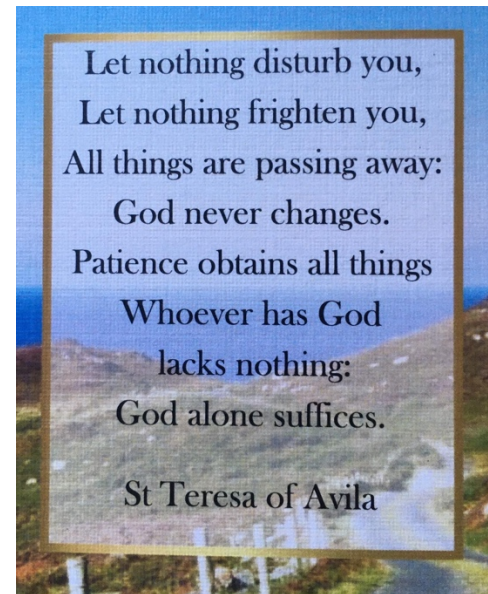
In response to the sad news that people in Italy are dying without the comfort of family and friends, there has been a movement afoot to offer the Divine Mercy Chaplet for the dying, so that at least spiritually, they are not alone at this moment.

Rosaleen McShane has undertaken to pray the Divine Mercy Chapel on our Web-cam after Mass each morning and we invite you to join in this popular prayer of Sr. Faustina.

On 25th March, Feast of the Annunciation,

Archbishop Eamon Martin is going to lead a prayer of Consecration of Ireland to the Immaculate Heart of Mary, asking her intercession to protect us from the Coronavirus. It will take place at 12 noon on the 25th and begin with the Angelus. He has asked that this be disseminated as far as possible. I am attaching a copy of the prayer that will be used and it would be good to get it out to people. Many will be able to join via Webcam, Facebook etc. I will certainly be leading the prayers from St. Columba's Web-cam in Burtonport. Many people who don't have internet or access to such things would like to have the prayers in their hands so that they

can join in at 12 noon on the day. To that end, I am attaching the prayer that will be used with this email. You can use your own channels to make sure that people know about it and have the prayer in advance.



ACT OF CONSECRATION OF IRELAND TO THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY FOR PROTECTION FROM THE CORONAVIRUS

*Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord
25 March 2020*

The Act begins with the recitation of The Angelus.

The Apostles Creed

I believe in God,
the Father Almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
He descended into hell;
on the third day He rose again from the dead;
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from there He will come to judge the living and

the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Holy Catholic Church,
the communion of Saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting.
Amen.

The First Joyful Mystery of the Rosary: The Annunciation of the Lord...

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

Most Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God and Health of the Sick,
at this time of great challenge to our country from the coronavirus,
we consecrate to Jesus through your Immaculate Heart:
ourselves, our family, the members of our parish and Diocese, and the people of Ireland.

O Mary, Queen of Ireland, when you appeared at Knock, you gave hope to your people in a time of distress and brought them comfort in a time of sorrow.

Be with us now as a sign of salvation and hope, as we entrust ourselves to your loving care.

We renew the promises of our Baptism and Confirmation and ask your intercession that we may be always faithful to Christ and to His Church.

Bring under your mantle of protection all those who are suffering because of the coronavirus, and those who care for the sick and minister to their needs,
as your Son implores us to do for one another.

O Loving Mother,
at the foot of the Cross, with steadfast faith,
your Immaculate Heart was pierced by grief at the suffering of your Son.

You know what we need during these difficult days.

Help us, O Mother of Divine Love,
to conform ourselves to the Father's will

Anniversaries and Masses

Gemma Boyle, months mind, Sun 22nd March @ 11.30 a.m.

Fanny Ward, Keadue, Monday @ 10.00 a.m.

Annie Gallagher, Chapel Gate, Wednesday @ 10.00 a.m.

Doalty & Rosaleen Sharkey, Saturday @ 11.00 a.m.

Charles McDevitt, Sunday @ 11.30 a.m.

Recent Deaths

Charlie Breen, who was buried on Thursday
Sally Gallagher, Dungloe who was buried on Thursday. Sister of Mary Logue, Kincasslagh @ Pat the Cope Gallagher, Dungloe

Patrick Houston, Birmingham and formerly of Lackenagh who died on Wednesday. Sister in Law of Nora Houston, Pole Road

Donal Forker, Annagry

Anniversaries

Pat James Bonner, Keadue

Painting of Kincasslagh Chapel

The painting of the Interior of Kincasslagh Chapel will Commence on Monday 23rd March and will take about four weeks to complete. As all Masses are on our webcam in Acres for the foreseeable future, and we don't envisage a return to participation of the congregation before that, we are taking this opportunity to close the chapel for the necessary refurbishments.

Unfortunately this will also mean that any funerals will also need to take place in St. Columba's, or in another parish church if that is the choice of the family.

and to do what Jesus tells us -
He who took our sufferings upon Himself, and bore our sorrows to bring us, through the Cross, to the joy of the Resurrection.

O Blessed Mother, Our Life, our Sweetness and Our Hope,
we wish that this Consecration be for the glory of God and that it lead us safely to Jesus your Son.

A Naomh-Mhuire, a Mháthair Dé, guigh orainn na peacaigh, anois agus ar uair ár mbáis.
Amen.

BLESSING

May your servants be shielded, O Lord
By the protection of your loving-kindness,
That, doing what is good in this world,
They may reach you, their highest good.
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

May Almighty God bless you, the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

From the Diocesan Office

With regard to Funeral Ministry it is strongly advised that attendance at the home of the deceased be kept to an absolute minimum and if possible be avoided altogether for people and priests. Events like the Rosary are definitely to be avoided. We want to avoid any possibility of carrying the virus into such a situation or that priests with conditions of their own are not compromised. Also, the Funeral Liturgy needs to exclude contact elements like the carrying of gifts and symbols.

Rosary every evening at 9.15 p.m.

Bishop Alan is praying the Rosary and leading an Examen via the Cathedral webcam and Raphoe Diocese Facebook each evening at 9.15pm. You are welcome to join in that and if you know any people who have internet access and might not have heard about it please let them know.

INFORMATION FROM CIVIL REGISTRAR'S OFFICE

We are advising couples who contact us seeking to make an appointment to serve notice of intention to marry that

If their marriage ceremony date is near to

three months i.e. it is now March and they are planning to be married in June
They do need to present in person in the usual way to serve notice of intention to marry. When the couple attend at our office (or any other civil registration office) they will find that staff are practising social distancing.

If their marriage ceremony date is in July 2020 or further in the future

They will be provided with a Postal Notification Form and asked to complete, sign and return same to our office (or to any other civil registration office).

The Postal Notification Form must arrive in a civil registration office no later than three calendar months ahead of the date of their marriage ceremony

The couple will be contacted and advised to make an appointment to attend in person at a civil registration office to present documents and collect their Marriage Registration Form

The in person appointment must take place no later than five days prior to the date of their marriage ceremony.

This method of processing marriage notification will last until the end of first week in April at the earliest. We anticipate that we will be instructed to extend this method beyond that date.

If a couple already have a Marriage Registration Form which states a marriage ceremony date which has now been rescheduled because of hotel closure/covid 19 measures

They should contact the civil registration office where the MRF was issued and make an appointment to 'swap' their existing MRF for another MRF which states the new marriage ceremony date.

Because they will be asked to sign their new MRF couples should bring their photo identifications with them to that appointment.

There will be no need to provide all other documents again and no need to pay another fee

INFORMATION REGARDING LOURDES PILGRIMAGE

The Raphoe Diocesan Pilgrimage due for departure on the 24th May 2020 has been RESCHEDULED to the 25th May 2021. All fares that you have paid have been transferred to 2021. I thank you for all your support in what has been a very difficult and challenging time. Meanwhile I hope you and your family remain safe and I ask you for your prayers for the world at this time.

NEW RAPHOE DIOCESAN FACEBOOK PAGE

Attached below is the link for the new Diocesan Facebook page. Please share this link as widely as possible as each night at 9.15pm the Bishop will lead the Rosary and a time of Prayer. This prayer time can also be found at www.churchservices.tv/letterkenny

<https://m.facebook.com/Raphoe-Diocese-108004564165043/>

*Thinking of You
This morning, when I
wakened and saw the sun
above, I softly said
"Good morning, Lord,
bless everyone I love".
Right away I thought of you and
said a loving prayer, that He
would bless you specially and
keep you free from care.
I thought of all the
happiness a day could hold
in store;
I wished it all for you
because no one deserves it
more.*



Act of Spiritual Communion

A Prayer by St. Alphonsus Maria de Liguori

**My Jesus,
I believe that You are present
in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love You above all things,
and I desire to receive You into my soul.**

**Since I cannot at this moment
receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace You as if You were already there
and unite myself wholly to You.**

Never permit me to be separated from You.

Amen.

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Web Cam

My thanks to all who contacted me over the last week with kind messages regarding our broadcast Mass. I never realised just how important this piece of technology would become for us. It has obviously become a source of comfort to so many people around the globe. When I begin my prayers in St. Columba's each morning and look upon the empty pews, I know that little camera is a conduit for the Lord to allow the grace of the Sacrament to reach everyone of you. The empty pews do not bother me so much, I still offer this great Holy Sacrifice for you as I always do and I firmly believe that you receive the graces of this sacrament. That doesn't mean that I will be sorry to see your ugly mugs once again when this is over!! ☺