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Schedule of Masses

Online Masses

Saturday 30th @ 5.30 p.m.

Sunday 31st @ 11.30 a.m.

Monday @ 11.00 a.m. St. Bridget

Tuesday @ 10.00 a.m. Blessing of Candles

Tuesday Kincasslagh @ 11.00 a.m. Blessing of Candles (Facebook only)

Wednesday @ 11.00 a.m. St. Blaise, online blessing at end of Mass

Thursday @ 11.00 a.m.

Friday @ 10.00 a.m.

Saturday 6th @ 5.30 p.m.

Sunday 7th @ 11.30 a.m.

Anniversaries and Masses

Leo Carroll, Saturday 30th

Toney Owenie Manus Gallagher,

Tullyisland, Sunday 31st

Ellen McCole, Burtonport, Monday

Mary Ferry, Crickamore, 1st

Anniversary, Thursday

Fred Sharkey, Mullaghderg Mountain, Friday

Stephen Sweeney & his Grandfather

Charlie, Sat 6th February

Mary Ward, Milltown/Lackenagh, months mind, Sunday 7th.

Recent Deaths

Mike McCabe, the Bronx

Anniversaries

Charlie Ward, Kerrytown

Jimmy Ward, Bartley, Meenmore

Anna Ward, Bruckless

Hugh Bradley, 6th Anniversary

Kincasslagh Parish Newsletter, January 31st, 2021

Ann McCormack, ill: Nuala from the North, ill: Lucy, operation and Chemo: Adam McGuinness, heart surgery: Danny Dougherty, ill: Mike, brain scan: Jessie & George Ritchie, ill: John Hynes, ill in hospital:

Church Envelopes

Thank you for your continued support online and by dropping off your envelopes to the churches. If you use the envelops we provide they are in the Churches which are still open for private prayer during the day. There is a number on each envelope and it is our practice to record the donations from each envelope. If you want your name to be recorded in a separate entry as the name that fits that number of envelope, please write your name on the next two envelopes and we will make a record. If you wish to remain anonymous just use the envelope without putting your name on it.

Some people are more comfortable making their donations online now. There is a **PayPal** donate button on the www.kincasslagh.ie website. This is not a free service. PayPal will take a percentage of each donation, e.g., a €20 donation releases €19.97 to us. A €100 donation releases €96.25. If you wish to make your payment direct without the cost of PayPal here are the BIC and IBAN numbers for the Church accounts.

KINCASSLAGH CHURCH ACCOUNT,

BIC :BOFIIE2D,

IBAN: IE33BOFI90487858877323

And

St. Columba Burtonport Parish

BIC: BOFIIE2D

IBAN: IE05BOFI 904878 78674363

Some still use the Fundraising account for Kincasslagh Church from Last year which is fine

Upcoming Dates to remember

Monday 1st February, Feast of Saint Bridget. We encourage you to make crosses at home on the eve, Sunday and we will say a prayer of blessing at Mass on St. Bridget's day.

Tuesday 2nd February, Candlemas day or the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord.

Traditionally the candles used for the next year in the church are blessed this day at Mass and many people bring their own candles to chapel to be blessed that day. If you wish this to happen please bring your candles to the Chapel in a bag with your name on it on Monday and I will bless them on Candlemas. Fr. Matt will offer 10.00 a.m. Mass in St. Columba's and I will offer 11.00 a.m. Mass in St. Mary's that day.

Wednesday 3rd February, Feast of St. Blaise.

Blessing of throats. Even if the chapels were open would will not be doing individual blessings, but we can ask St. Blaise to bless our throats at home using the prayer that will be provided.

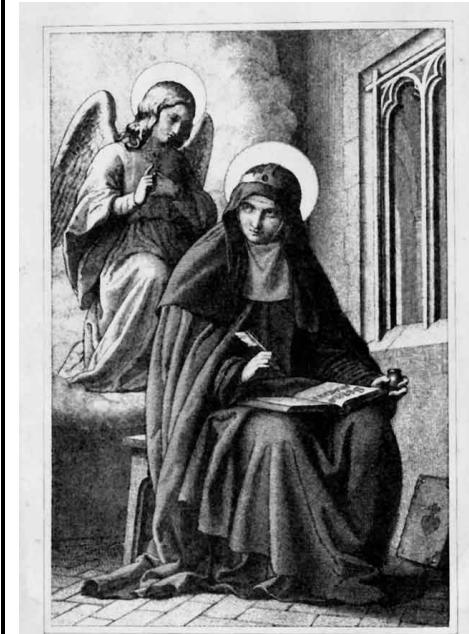
Wednesday 17th February, Ash Wednesday is a penitential time which is the beginning of forty days of preparation for Easter. The application of ashes is a symbol of the beginning of that journey, but not vital for it to start. If chapels are open, ashes can be sprinkled on the head of a penitent. If they are not, we can all begin our Lenten journey without them.

Sunday 4th April, Easter Sunday. This is the culmination of Holy Week, when Christians walk with Jesus through his passion, death and Resurrection.

Brigid is one of Ireland's earliest recorded saints, and along with St. Patrick, one of our most famous. It is thought she was born sometime between 452 and 456 AD in Faughart, a few miles from Dundalk in Co. Louth.

Brigid's father was a wealthy chieftain named Dubtach. Legend has it that she caused him great annoyance with her generosity, giving away his valuable goods to the poor and needy. It is thought by some that Brigid's mother, Brocseach, was a slave in Dubtach's

household.



Eventually, Dubtach became so frustrated with his daughter's behaviour that he decided to try to remove her from his household. He approached the King of Leinster and offered to sell Brigid to him. Admiring her courage and persistence, the king granted Brigid her freedom.

St. Macaille, the bishop, allowed her to form a religious order and Brigid founded the first convent in Ireland on Croghan Hill, Co. Westmeath, and many young women joined her and her community flourished.

The practice of the Brigid's cross making came from a story of how she used the rushes to explain Christ to a dying pagan chieftain, who converted.

Brigid is thought to have died on 1 February 524 when in her early seventies. Her feast day is celebrated every year on the first day of February.