

## Kincasslagh Parish Newsletter, February 14th, 2021

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## **Schedule of Masses Online Masses**

Saturday 13th @ 5.30 p.m. Sunday 14st @ 11.30 a.m. Monday @ 11.00 a.m. Tuesday @ 10.00 a.m.

Ash Wednesday @ 10.00 a.m. Acres & 11.00 a.m. Kincasslagh

Thursday @ 7.00 p.m. Friday @ 10.00 p.m.

Friday @ 7.00 p.m. Mass for Victims

Kincasslagh (Online only)

Saturday 20th @ 5.30 p.m. Sunday 21th @ 11.30 a.m.

## **Anniversaries and Masses**

Mary Ellen Boner, months mind. Sunday 14th

Maureen Genoversa USA died recently of Covid-19, Monday Birthday Bouquet & remembering

Charlie Beales, Thursday John Gallagher, Friday

Mary (Maureen) Bonner, months mind, Sat 20th

Gemma Bovle, Lackenaah and formally Newcastle West, Sunday **Recent Deaths** 

Charlie McBride, Dungloe & Birmingham who died on Wednesday, Son of Paddy McBride land Breege O'Donnell Annagry. funeral arranaements later.

**Noel Canavan** from the north who died on Friday

Gerald McCloskey, Derrymacash JT Higgins

## **Anniversaries**

Bridget Gillespie, Belcruit Eddie O'Donnell, Mullaghderg

An Online Mass for Victims and survivors of **Abuse will be held** on Friday evening at 7.00 p.m. in St. Mary's for the Day of Prayer for all victims and survivors of abuse. Please join with me and with priests and people all over Ireland in praving for all those who have suffered abuse in the Church and outside of it. To report a concern, or complaint of child abuse, either current or historical, please contact Margaret Northage the Designated Liaison Person for the diocese on 086 2183 011 or you can go directly to the statutory authorities:

Tusla (Child & Family Agency) – tel: 074 91 23672/23770.

Gardaí National Protective Services Bureau tel: 01 6663430/6663435.

In an emergency, please contact Letterkenny Garda Station on 074 91 67100.

Free Counselling & Support is available through Towards Healing, an independent organisation providing professional support for people who have experienced institutional, clerical or religious abuse in Ireland.

Freephone - Rol: 1800 303416.

Freephone - N. Ireland & UK: 0800 0963315, Freephone - Hearing Impaired: 085 8022 859

Ash Wednesday, a day of fasting, is the first day of Lent in Western Christianity. It occurs 46 days (40 weekdays plus 6 Sundays) before Easter and can fall as early as 4 February or as late as 10 March. Ash Wednesday is observed by many Western Christians, including Catholics, Lutherans, Methodists, Analicans, and Presbyterians.



According to the canonical aospels of Matthew, Mark and Luke, Jesus Christ spent 40 days fasting in the desert, where he endured temptation by Satan. Lent originated as a mirroring of this, fasting 40 days as preparation for

Easter. Every Sunday was seen as a

commemoration of the Sunday of Christ's resurrection and so as a feast day on which fasting was inappropriate. Accordingly, Christians fasted from Monday to Saturday (6 days) during 6 weeks and from Wednesday to Saturday (4 days) in the preceding week, thus making up the number of 40 days.

Ash Wednesday derives its name from the practice of blessing ashes made from palm branches blessed on the previous year's Palm Sunday, and placing them on the heads of participants to the accompaniment of the words "Repent, and believe in the Gospel" or "Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return".

This year I have prepared envelopes with a little auarter teaspoon of ashes inside which will be blessed on Wednesday in both chapels and left there for parishioners to collect and distribute with their family. Ashes at home can be given using the words above.

FREE Online Customer Service starts again on Tuesday 2nd March. Why not receive a certificate from the comfort of your home for

Places are limited so book early to avoid disappointment. If you are interested or know any ladies who may benefit from this, please contact us. T & Cs apply.

You can contact us by phone (see numbers on poster) or by our Facebook page – The WISE Project (https://www.facebook.com/WISE500/) or call us on 086 145 2252 for Grainne (Letterkenny area), 086 145 2249 for Michelle (Dunaloe area) and 086 145 2252 for Penny (Inishowen area)

WISE - Women's Integration, Skills & Employment is a FREE service for Donegal women to assist them into education and/or employment through personal and/or career development.

This project is part supported by the Irish Government and the European Social Fund (ESF) as part of the ESF Programme for Employability, Inclusion and Learning (PEIL) 2014-2020.

In 2014 we started the Cloth of Sorrows, where people brough squares of cloth to the chapel in Burtonport that was 8"X8". And either wrote their sorrow/pain on it



or included their sorrow on an accompanying piece of paper. Some of our parishioners set to sewing these squares together, resulting in a beautiful patchwork auilt made up of the sorrows of our parishioners, which we draped at the foot of the cross each year since, coupling our sorrows to those of Christ on the Cross. The seamstresses sewed in the accompanying prayers into the guilt. This year we invite you to do the same. Squares of cloth 8"X8" will be left in the chapel and can be taken home, written upon or have a note pinned to it, or just leave it blank if your sorrow is private but put a little heart symbol or the like on it to include your sorrow privately. If you live away and cannot access the chapel, please send your cloth to Maragret Rose Bonner, Burtonport, Co. Donegal and it will be included in the growing fabric of our Cloth of Sorrows.

Cloth of Sorrows