

Kincasslagh Parish Newsletter, March 14th, 2021

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Schedule of Masses Online Masses Saturday 13th @ 5.30 p.m. Sunday 14th @ 11.30 a.m. Monday @ 11.00 a.m. Tuesday @ 10.00 a.m. Wednesday @ 11.00 a.m. St. Patrick's Day Thursday @ 11.00 a.m. Friday @ 10.00 a.m. Saturday 20th @ 5.30 p.m. Sunday 21st @ 11.30 a.m.

Anniversaries and Masses

Claire McCole, Sat 13th Kitty McGonagle, Lochan Dubh, Sunday 14th Tim Doherty, Magheralosk, Monday Charlie Breen, Lackenagh, Tuesday Mary Boyle, Keadue, Wednesday Pat Kelly, Luton, Thursday Sally Gallagher, Friday Mary Sweeney, Mullaghderg, Saturday Daniel Anthony O'Sullivan, Inisfree, Sunday Recent Deaths

Owen Roe O'Neill, brother of Rory O'Neill, Arlands

John Rua Gallagher, Dungloe who was buried on Monday.

Anniversaries

Owenie Sweeney, upper Keadue

Hannah Breen, 25th Ann Margaret Clifford, nee McCafferty, Derry 1st Anniversary Francie Donnelly, Keady

For Mary, who is seriously ill in hospital with cancer.

For Ann, who is being treated with chemotherapy. For Breege, who is in hospital

Help feed 100 hungry children for a year An online guiz to support Mary's Meals will

be held on Friday, March 26 at 8pm. Entry fee/donation is \in 10. To enter: 1) log on to Mary's Meals website 2) go to start fundraising 3) click on search for friend's project 4) type in quiz.

FREE course for Donegal women. We are

providing a FREE personal development course online for women who register with the WISE Project.

The personal development course can teach you about confident body language, how to win at interviews, making it happen mindset, health and you, dressing to suit you and much much more.

Our course is starting on Monday the 22nd of March, running via zoom for 3 hours a week, for 6 weeks. To register your interest, check our Facebook page – WISE 500 or call Grainne on 086 145 2252, Michelle 086 145 2249, Penny on 086 145 2252 to register with WISE and book your place on this free course. WISE (Women's Integration, Skills and Employment) is a FREE service running in Donegal only to help unemployed women to get into or move into education, employment, or self-employment with support in their personal, career and/or business development.



COVID-19/ CORONAVIRUS SUPPORTLINE FOR OLDER PEOPLE 0818 222 024

TO VOLUNTEER YOUR HELP, VISIT **WWW.alone.ie**

Threshold of Hope

Tuesday March 30th, 8pm http://www.churchservices.tv/deirdrenichinnei de

Deirdre Ní Chinnéide invites you to cross the Threshold of Hope with her in this exciting and inspirational response to the challenges of this past year of COVID-19 .

Threshold of Hope a unique online musical gathering with gifted and creative singer, facilitator and spiritual director Deirdre Ní Chinnéide on March 30th – coming from the **Aran Islands** on the west coast of Ireland, into your own home.

In these times, when the Covid-19 pandemic has radically disrupted our lives, Deirdre invites us to venture a few steps to cross a threshold of hope. Rooted in the Aran Islands and drawing on ancient Celtic culture, Deirdre's music soothes the soul and stirs the spirit to courageous new beginnings of hope and possibilities of light during this Holy Week. Sit back, relax and allow yourself to be inspired with Deirdre's heart-felt music in these times of uncertainty.

On 19 February the four Catholic Archbishops had a meeting with Taoiseach Micheál Martin to continue the dialogue about the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic on the lives of people in our Church.

Despite assurances from the Taoiseach last month that the concerns expressed by the Archbishops would be given serious consideration, we note with disappointment that none of the issues raised has been responded to. We therefore make an urgent appeal that the following matters be addressed:

- That the easing of restrictions from Level 5 should include the restoration of public worship, albeit in a safe and limited way. For people of faith not to be free to worship until regulations return to Level 2, whilst many other restrictions are eased, is seen as particularly distressing and unjust.
- That the number of mourners permitted at funeral services be increased, with immediate effect, noting that in Northern Ireland this number has not been reduced below 25. The current restriction places immense burdens on grieving families, compounding the pain of their loss.

We strongly believe that allowing these measures would contribute greatly to giving a sense of hope and consolation to many in our Church - in line with the central message of Easter. These measures would be a substantial support to the wellbeing of individuals and parish communities, and ultimately serve the Common Good of all. We encourage Catholics to make their views on these issues known to their own TDs and local representatives. We wish to remain responsive to public health messaging. For this reason we are recommending the postponement of the sacraments of First Holy Communion and Confirmation ceremonies for the time being. We continue to keep in prayer all who are suffering in this time of Covid, and all who contribute so much to their care.

Celebrating Mother's Day



A mother is she who can take the place of all others but whose place *no one* else can take.

- Cardinal Mermillod