

# Kincasslagh Parish Newsletter, May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2021

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## Schedule of Masses

### Online Masses

**Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> @ 5.30 p.m.**

**Sun 2<sup>nd</sup> @ 11.30 am**

**Monday @ 11.00 a.m.**

**Tuesday @ 10.00 a.m.**

**Wednesday @ 11.00 a.m.**

**Thursday @ 11.00 a.m.**

**Friday @ 10.00 a.m.**

**Saturday @ 5.30 p.m.**

**Sunday @ 11.30 a.m.**

## Anniversaries and Masses

**Aloysius Bonner**, Burtonport, Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> May

**Mary & Tom McGuinness** (nee Mary Andy Boyle, Acres) & the Boyle & Bonar families, Lackenagh, Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**Nora & Patrick O'Donnell** Dunlewey, Monday

**Nora Gallagher** & her parents **Paddy and Sarah**, Tuesday

**Peggy Sweeney**, Mullaghderg, Wednesday

**Paige McDonald**, Thursday

**John Wallace**, Roshine, Friday

**Molly and Patrick Gallagher**, Cruit, Saturday

**Patsy Gallagher**, & his son **Tony** & deceased members of the Anthony Paddy Óg Ward family Keadue, Sunday

## Recent Deaths

**Mary Hugo Ward, Belcruit and Leitir**, who was buried on Tuesday.

**Raymond Kelly**, son of Bridie Kelly nee O'Donnell, Gortnasade and Carndonagh, buried in Philidephia on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> April

## Anniversaries

**Davie McGill**, Maghera, Co. Derry

**Marguerite Boyle**, Lower Keadue

**For the sick and those under treatments**

**Alec McCrory, Derry**  
**Colin, on his journey back to sobriety**

**FREE personal development** for unemployed Donegal women  
Due to previous success's, we are providing another 6-week course for FREE, starting soon online. Three hours per week over two days covering: personality discovery, making it happen mindset, health and nutrition, win at interviews, dress to suit you, confident body language and more. Spaces are filling up quickly so book now to avoid disappointment.

Call Grainne on 086 145 2250 (East & South Donegal), Michelle on 086 145 2249 (West Donegal) or Penny on 086 145 2252 (North Donegal). For participant's feedback, check out our Facebook page – WISE 500.

WISE – Women's Integration Skills and Employment is co-funded by the Department of Justice and Equality and the European Social Fund as part of the Programme for Employability, Inclusion and Learning (PEIL) 2014-2020.

## St. Columba's



Works have quickly begun on the Guttering and Flashing at St. Columba's Church. People were asking for a way to donate so I set up a GoFundMe page two days ago and boy, have people responded! At this moment we have €5445 collected online and over €2,000 collected for the €11,500 needed to cover

the cost of this work! That is absolutely amazing in this present climate! My Gob is smacked!!

Thank you to all who have supported this work and have given us the opportunity to make good repairs on this wonderful building. I am reminded of the saying that we are only Stewards of what has been given to us, and our responsibility is to care for and pass on to the next stewards. You're a great bunch!!

**I would like to acknowledge receipt of a donation of €1,000 from the Market/Bargain Rail in the Community Centre for our renovation Work. Thank you David and Nora for your continued generosity.**

## Reopening our Churches

It was with some relief that we heard on Friday that our lockdown was coming to an end, and specifically for the Church, that we are able to open once again from the 10<sup>th</sup> of May to congregations of 50 people, for Mass, and for weddings and Funerals.

Almost instantly the question of non-compliance in Donegal found us looking at an exceptional extension of lockdown limitations here.

This is very disappointing, especially as so many people have been more than compliant over this period, and that in the Glenties electoral area until recently our figures were much lower than the national average. It also shows that we can turn that around by being extra vigilant and careful over the next week or so. Dr. Holohan has challenged us to respond in a healthy way to this observation, giving us the opportunity and challenge to flatten the numbers here in Donegal.

So it will be next week before we can determine if we are to open our doors for Mass once again. If we do, we need to re-introduce ushers to the services to assist

people with sanitization and mask wearing. I will contact the experienced ushers by WhatsApp if anybody feels that they can lend a hand, that would be much appreciated. Teams cleaning and sanitising the chapel have been working away and this has been a great service to our community. Again, we look for any new volunteers to help with this process. I find the change from being closed to being open a difficult, stressful one, but I know that within a short time it becomes the norm. It is lovely to see people in front of you at Mass, but like many of us, there is a need to adjust

So if we are released from Lockdown Jail on Monday week, let's do so safely and with great consideration for what it may mean to each individual.

