

Kincasslagh Parish Newsletter, 27th April 2025

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St. Mary's Church, Kincasslagh

Day	time	Masses this week
Sat 26	6.30	Dinny Rosie & Annie Ann Boyle
Sun 27	10	Anne McGonagle, Belcruit
Wed 30	7	Molly & Patrick Gallagher, Cruit
Fri 2	1pm	Wedding
Sun 4	10	Günter Jakob , Belcruit

St. Columba's Church, Burtonport

Day	time	Masses this week
Sun 27	11.30	Mary Rodgers, Acres
Mon 28	10	Annie Ann and Dinnie Rosie Boyle, upper Keadue, Meenbannad
Tues 29	10	Vernon Ward, Meenagowna
Thur 1	10	Intention
Fri 2	10	
Sat 3	6.30	Una Cotter, Crolly 1st anniversary
Sun 4	11.30	

Anniversaries

Dom Gallagher, Glasgow

<p>Our parish bank details. St Columba Burtonport Parish A/C IBAN: IE05BOFI90487878674363 BIC: BOFIE2D. Kincasslagh Church A/C IBAN IE33BOFI90487858877323 BIC BOFIE2D</p>

Parish Baptisms take place in Acres Church on the 1st & 3rd Saturdays of the month & in Kincasslagh Church on the 2nd & 4th Saturdays at 2.00 p.m., or 4pm if there is a wedding.

ST COLUMBA'S COMMUNITY CENTRE

Crochet is on Wednesday mornings at 11am
BURTONPORT RAILWAY WALK
 Date for your diary. Our annual Easter Monday 5km walk in aid of Burtonport Railway walk takes place on Monday 21st April at 3pm. Refreshments will be served in the centre after the walk. Annual draw for a large hamper donated once more by Sean and Frances Bonner Meenmore. Lines €2 each or 3 for €5.
 A reminder that membership for Friends of the Railway is now due for 2025 at €12 for the year. We thank you for your continuous support.
NEW BEGINNINGS COMMUNITY SHOP
Opening times Monday- Thursday 9am-1.30pm
 A great selection of items available at very reasonable prices

The **Burtonport Darkness Into Light Committee** are holding an information/registration day in the Burtonport Community Centre Sunday 4th May from 12pm, please call in and say hello if you would like to sign up and join us for the walk on the 10th May. We are also seeking volunteers/stewards to help out on the morning of the walk on Saturday 10th May. The walk will begin at 4:15am so volunteers will be needed at the Burtonport Community Centre at 3:15am. If you are interested please contact us in any of the below ways: Email - burtonport@darknessintolight.ie. Phone Aoife on 0862695577 or message our Facebook or Insta.

Dates for your Diary

10 th May,	First Holy Communion Day
31 st May,	Parish Mission Starts
7 th – 8 th June,	New Weekend Schedule begins
19 th June	Mass at Mass Rock for Corpus Christi
9 th -10 th August,	Graveyard Blessings
15 th August,	Turas in Cruit Graveyard

The **2025 Easter Fundraising Campaign for Bóthar** supports education for trafficked girls in Tanzania. Make this year a Spring of Hope at www.bothar.ie. Email: info@bothar.ie Tel: +35361414142

Divine Mercy Sunday

There will be a Holy Hour and recital of the Divine Mercy Chaplet in St. Columba's Church on Sunday 27th April, (Divine Mercy Sunday), @ 3pm to conclude the Novena together.

All Ireland Rosary Rally | June 7th | Knock

The 40th All Ireland Rosary Rally takes place on Saturday the 7th of June this year. Great speakers include Archbishop Francis Duffy, Fr John Harris OP, Mgr. Steve Rossetti, Christine O'Hara, Danielle Stephens, Fr Rory Brady, Fr Luke De Masi, and more. Bishop Donal McKeown will be the Main Celebrant of the 3pm Mass which includes anointing of the sick. Dana will also sing. Buses are going from all over Ireland. See www.allirelandrosaryrally.com for more details and a list of buses.

What is Divine Mercy Sunday

In a series of revelations to St. Maria Faustina Kowalski in the 1930s, our Lord called for a special feast day to be celebrated on the Sunday after Easter. Today, we know that feast as Divine Mercy Sunday, named by Pope St. John Paul II at the canonization of St. Faustina on April 30, 2000. The Lord expressed His will with regard to this feast in His very first revelation to St. Faustina. The most

comprehensive revelation can be found in her *Diary* entry 699:

My daughter, tell the whole world about My inconceivable mercy. I desire that the Feast of Mercy be a refuge and a shelter for all souls, and especially for poor sinners. On that day the very depths of My tender mercy are open. I pour out a whole ocean of graces upon those souls who approach the fount of My mercy. The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment. On that day are opened all the divine floodgates through which graces flow. Let no soul fear to draw near to Me, even though its sins be as scarlet. My mercy is so great that no mind, be it of man or of angel, will be able to fathom it throughout all eternity. Everything that exists has come from the very depths of My most tender mercy. Every soul in its relation to Me will contemplate My love and mercy throughout eternity. The Feast of Mercy emerged from My very depths of tenderness. It is My desire that it be solemnly celebrated on the first Sunday after Easter. Mankind will not have peace until it turns to the Fount of My mercy.

In all, St. Faustina recorded 14 revelations from Jesus concerning His desire for this feast. Nevertheless, Divine Mercy Sunday is NOT a feast based solely on St. Faustina's revelations. Indeed, it is not primarily about St. Faustina — nor is it altogether a new feast. The Second Sunday of Easter was already a solemnity as the Octave Day of Easter^[1]. The title "Divine Mercy Sunday" does, however, highlight the meaning of the day

What graces are available and how do we receive them?



In her *Diary*, St. Faustina records a special promise given to her by Jesus. He told her to communicate it to the whole world:
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graces upon those souls who approach the fount of My mercy (699).

In three places in her *Diary*, St. Faustina records our Lord's promises of specific, extraordinary graces:

I want to grant a complete pardon to the souls that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion on the Feast of My mercy (1109).

Whoever approaches the Fountain of Life on this day will be granted complete forgiveness of sins and punishment (300).

The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion will obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment (699).

To receive these graces, the only condition is to receive Holy Communion worthily on Divine Mercy Sunday (or the Vigil celebration) by making a good [Confession beforehand](#) and being in the state of grace and trusting in His Divine Mercy.

By these conditions, our Lord is emphasizing the value of confession and Holy Communion as miracles of mercy. The Eucharist is Jesus, Himself, the Living God, longing to pour Himself as Mercy into our hearts.

In addition, our Lord says through St. Faustina that we are to perform acts of mercy:

"Yes, the first Sunday after Easter is the Feast of Mercy, but there must also be acts of mercy" (742).

"The graces of My mercy are drawn by means of one vessel only, and that is trust. The more a soul trusts, the more it will receive" (1578).

The worthy reception of the Eucharist on Divine Mercy Sunday is sufficient to obtain the extraordinary graces promised by Jesus. A plenary indulgence^[1], obtained by fulfilling the usual conditions, also is available.

