

ROSCREA, BOURNEA, KYLE & KNOCK

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Website: www.stcronanscluster.ie Email: roscrearc@gmail.com Facebook: Parishes of Roscrea, Bournea, Kyle & Knock**Parish Office Working Hours: Tuesday to Thursday 10am-1pm***Items for Parish Newsletter to be submitted by 1pm each Wednesday please***Mass Intentions This Week – ROSCREA***Available via Parish Radio or Webcam***Sat 16th May 6.30pm:** Anniv Mass for Deceased Members of the Walsh Family, Ballinock.**Sun 17th May 11.30am:** Months Mind Mass for Stephanie Searson;
Anniv Mass for Alfie Kelly;
Anniv Mass for Bill & Kathleen Brewer;
Anniv Mass for Brendan Deane.**Fri 22nd May 10am:** Anniv Mass for Joe Maloney, Ballybritt.**Sat 23rd May 6.30pm:** First Anniversary Mass for Mary Brooks;
First Anniversary Mass for Lizzie Fletcher;
Anniv Mass for Sally Loughnane;
Anniv Mass for Michael Ryan;
Anniv Mass for Jim Lyons & his aunt Lizzie Lyons;
Anniv Mass for Joe & Maura Delaney.**Sun 24th May 11.30am:** Anniv Mass for Kathleen & Jim Quirke;
Anniv Mass for Paddy & Bridie Bourke.**We remember those who died recently, especially:****John Walsh, MRCVS, Parkmore****Joe Thompson, Camross****Betty McGillicuddy, née Sheedy,**

Kerry & Late of Dunkerrin

Mary Jo Flood, Newtowncashel, Longford**Cronan Pastoral Area Notices****Mass is currently available in St Cronan's Church
via WEBCAM AND RADIO ONLY****Monday to Saturday at 10am****Saturday 6.30pm; Sunday 11.30am**The Parish Office is closed to the public
but is contactable by either email or telephone as below:**Working Hours: Tuesday to Thursday 10am to 1pm****Tel: 0505-31835 Email: roscrearc@gmail.com****Facebook: Parishes of Roscrea, Bournea, Kyle & Knock****Anniversary Masses in Saint Cronan's**Some people have postponed Anniversary Masses,
whilst others have had Masses offered as booked.**Anniversary Masses - churches that are closed**For Anniversary Masses booked in the churches that are
currently closed, if people wish to have these celebrated
in Saint Cronan's Church (*available via webcam*),
please let us know. Contact Details above.**Prayer to Our Lady during Coronavirus Crisis**

The word Corona means "crown."

Most Glorious Queen of Heaven & Mother of God,
you whom the Blessed Trinity has crowned with unequalled
glory. You are the Sovereign Queen over all God's creation in
our world. I place myself & all my loved ones
under the power, protection & sovereignty of your crown.
Under the protection of your crown, I will fear no other crown
& through your immense intercessory power, I ask you to spare
us all from the effects of coronavirus. Dearest Mother &
Queen, we, your children in Christ Jesus, ask you to obtain for
us an end to the spread of this virus. Amen.**Funerals During Covid19 Pandemic****Since the Covid19 crisis began,
families have been offered
and will continue to be offered
Funeral Masses in our Pastoral Area Churches,
with the necessary HSE public health guidelines
in place, or alternatively, if they wish,
prayers at the graveside.****Postponed Weddings**Reminder to couples who have postponed their weddings:
please contact Agnes in the Civil Registrations Office
TWO WEEKS before your new date – she will give you an
appointment to meet her (you need to bring your green folder
to Agnes at that time). For any queries relating to this,
please contact Agnes at 067-46480.**Parish Newsletter Distribution**We extend our sincere thanks to the management and staff
of each of these shops for facilitating the distribution of
Parish Newsletters whilst our churches are closed.

Super Valu, Roscrea; Tesco, Roscrea

Keanes Newsagents, Main Street, Roscrea

Phelan's Siopa, Ballaghmore

E-Missalettes: E-Missalettes are currently available on our
website – they are added to the homepage each week**Killaloe Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock**Sunday 24th Mayavailable online only - www.knockshrine.ie

Devotions from 2.30pm Mass at 3pm

Free Concert – Fr. Liam Lawton & GuestsSunday 17th May 7.30pm

Saint Claire's Church, Graiguecullen

www.graiguecullenkilleshin.com

First Holy Communion

This weekend we should have been celebrating the Sacrament of First Communion for two of our parish schools: Scoil Eoin Naofa and Scoil Chrónáin Dromakeenan. We are conscious of the disappointment of our young people, their families and school communities at this time. We share this disappointment and continue to pray for them all, as they continue to prepare for this Sacrament.

Prayer Bell: On Sundays in May at 11am, the church bells of the Pastoral Area will ring to recall us to honour God's presence among us and to invite us to pray for the hope that will sustain us.

Parish Radios

We have been researching alternatives to our current CB radio system.

We have been informed that, due to our geographical positioning and surrounding hilly landscape, we would not benefit from any other radio system.

We are appealing to people for parish CB radios!

As there is high demand for radios at the moment, we are urging people who may have one but it is no longer being used,

to return it so we can pass it on to somebody who would love to be able to get our own Masses via radio at this time.

Pastoral Message of Bishop Fintan Monahan

The following services have been postponed.

- Public Masses
- Baptisms, Weddings, Confessions, Eucharistic Adoration
- All First Friday/Pastoral House Calls
- The Parish Office is closed to the public
- Church Buildings are closed until further notice
- Holy Water is not to be distributed at this time

Bishop Fintan's full statements are available on our Pastoral Area Website www.stcronanscluster.ie

Thank You: Thank you to those people who are in a position to contribute to the ongoing running costs of our parishes. We are very conscious of those who are no longer working and their situation presently.

If people wish to lodge into the Parish Bank Account, the details are as follows:

ROSCREA – BIC: AIBKIE2D

IBAN: IE77AIBK93527120629043

KYLE AND KNOCK – BIC: AIBKIE2D

IBAN: IE53AIBK93527112094057

BOURNEA – BIC: BOFIE2D

IBAN: IE10BOFI90439211571597

There will be a box outside the Sacristy at Saint Cronan's before weekend Masses for those who wish to drop their envelope in.

Request for Volunteers to Sew Fabric Face Masks

Fabric face masks which can be worn for short periods eg when grocery shopping or visiting the chemist.

Material face masks show a modest effect for the person wearing them and for staff in shops etc.

A very limited number of these masks are available to people who are vulnerable outside their home.

If interested, please contact Ann at 086-3487547.

If you have any spare cotton material or pillowcases, we would appreciate your help with this project. Or if you could sew some masks for us, your help would be appreciated.

AWARE urgently require Volunteers

Could you spare 3 hours a week

to volunteer from your own home? Training is provided online and ongoing support is provided by AWARE.

Full details are available at www.aware.ie/volunteering

NTDC Youth Counselling

One to one service is available during Covid19 by telephone or video call. In this difficult time for everyone, any young person between the ages of 10 and 17 years in need of mental health support in the Roscrea community, can avail of this service

free of charge. To arrange a counselling appointment, please call Mary at 087-9529041 or email mgrace@ntdc.ie

ALONE Dedicated Support Line – Covid19

8am to 8pm Tel: 0818-222-024

A Moment in Prayer

We bring to mind all those who care for the sick or aged, in nursing homes, in care facilities or in their own homes.

We ask God to surround all carers with his love & protection & to bless those being cared for.

Beatitudes for Friends of the Aged

Blessed are they who understand
My faltering step and palsied hand.

Blessed are they who know that my ears today
Must strain to catch the things they say.

Blessed are they who seem to know
That my eyes are dim and my wits are slow.

Blessed are those who looked away
When coffee spilled at the table today.

Blessed are they with a cheery smile
Who stop to chat for a little while.

Blessed are they who never say:
"You've told that story twice today!"

Blessed are they who know the ways
To bring back memories of yesterdays.

Blessed are they who make it known
That I'm loved, respected and not alone.

Blessed are they who know I'm at a loss
To find the strength to carry my cross.

Blessed are they who ease the days
On my journey Home in so many loving ways.