

Parishes of ROSCREA, BOURNEA, KYLE & KNOCK

Dec 1st, 2024

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Weekday Mass Times <i>Monday to Saturday</i> Saint Cronan's Church 10am	Saturday Vigil Mass Saint Cronan's Church 6.30pm	Sunday Mass Saint Cronan's Church 11.30am	Parish Office Opening Hours: Mon. & Tues. 10am to 4pm Wed. & Thurs. 10am to 1pm
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All Masses in Saint Cronan's Church are available via Parish Radio or Webcam - ww.stcronanscluster.ie

Items for Parish Newsletter to be submitted by 11am each Wednesday please.

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK ROSCREA

Sat Nov 30th 6.30pm:

Month's Mind: Tara Rowan, Parkmore Manor & also Anniv. Mass for her mother Maureen & father Mickey Rowan, Golden Grove Road, Anniv: Danny Moloney & Teddy Moloney, their parents Denis & Mary-Ann & all deceased members of the Moloney family.

Anniv: Billy & Pat Flynn, Mountheaton,

Anniv: Paddy Comerford, Kennedy Park & also his wife Imelda,

Anniv: Albert & Catherine Watkins, Ballybritt,

Anniv: Margaret McNicholas & also remembering her husband Kieran,

Anniv: All deceased members of the Breen family, Main Street.

Sun Dec 1st 11.30am:

Anniv: Sean Hoctor, Scart,

Anniv: Neil, Kathleen & Mary O' Lone, Kennedy Park,

Anniv: Grace Hogan, Limerick Street,

Anniv: James O'Meara, Dublin Road & his sister-in-law Pat Bataille (nee Halpin),

Christmas Intentions for Brendan Dunne, his parents Mary & Joseph his brothers Harry & Michael & sister Marie.

Mon Dec 2nd 10am:

Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion

Tues Dec 3rd 10am:

Anniv: Deceased members of the McGrath family,
Special Intention.

Wed Dec 4th 10am: Anniv: Michael Donoghue, Sheehane.

Thur Dec 5th 10am: Anniv: Liam & Theresa Moten.

Fri Dec 6th 10am:

Anniv: John & Frances Ryan, Lisduff, Dunkerrin,

Anniv: Patrick Browne & Sr. Catherine.

Sat Dec 7th 6.30pm:

Months Mind & Mass Card Mass: Caroline Troy, Ard Ross,

Anniv: Paddy & Chrissie Butler, New Line,

Anniv: Carmel Dooley & her brother Fr. John & all deceased members of the Dooley family.

Sun Dec 8th 11.30am:

Anniv: Eamon O'Riordan,

Anniv: Bill Lalor & Mary Lalor, Mountheaton,

Anniv: Jack Moten, Limerick Street,

Anniv: Joan Madden, Cherryhill & also remembering her husband Michael,

Anniv: Breda Tobin, Thomas & Catherine Tobin & all deceased members of the Tobin family,

Anniv: Edward & Margaret Moloney, Whitepark.

Clonakenny Sat Nov 30th 7.30pm:

Anniv: Anthony Elbert, his wife Mary & also remembering their son John,

Anniv: Tom, Esther, Jamie & Eileen Bourke, Clonakenny.

Couragunee Sat Dec 7th 7.30pm:

Anniv: Tom & Grace Hennessy.

Ballaghmore Sun Dec 8th 9.15am:

Anniv: Theresa Sandhu.

We remember those who died recently including:

Francis "Sharky" Feehan, Sheehane, Roscrea,

Tommy Meenehan, Sheehills, Roscrea

Timmy Casey, 7 Parkmore, Roscrea, Tipperary / Limerick

Ann O'Regan, Abbey Meadows, Clonmel, formerly St.

Cronan's Terrace, Roscrea.

Religious Christmas Cards

The Parish will be selling Religious Christmas Cards in aid of The Mombasa Project to build 2 new Primary School Classrooms in January. 3 cards for €10. These can be purchased in the Parish Office or the Parish Shop.

Our Prayer to our Guardian Angel

Angel sent by God to Guide us

Be our Light and Walk beside us

Be our Guardian and Protect us

On the Paths of Life Direct us. Amen

Advent - Waiting

The joyous Season of Advent is with us. It's all about Waiting. Hopeful Waiting in an unequal World. Hopeful waiting for the Great Birth again of Jesus our Light in our World. Some people Wait for a Meal, to pay a Bill, to Volunteer...

At some of our masses for Advent we will have Speakers who will address some needs of others and ways we all can help others. We welcome this First Sunday of Advent Seamus Bourke who will speak on behalf of Mary's Meals. **Fr. John.**

CONFESSIONS: ON TUESDAY DEC 3RD 9.30AM

An Advent Thought

Heavenly Father, we beg you to make this season a time of slowing down, a time to open our hearts in preparation for your coming. Let our love of God spread throughout the world and may we find joy in binging joy to others. **Amen.**

THE RAY OF SUNSHINE FOUNDATION CHILD SPONSORSHIP PROGRAMME CHRISTMAS APPEAL

The Ray of Sunshine Foundation, run a child sponsorship programme in Likoni Village, Mombasa, Kenya. It is one of the poorest areas of Mombasa, they do not have access to proper housing or sanitation facilities and water supply is rare. The children attending our preschool school and primary school are from this village.

By sponsoring a child, you can provide essential needs such as access to educational books, provide a wholesome meal each day, a uniform and a pair of shoes, thus giving the children an opportunity to break free from the cycle of poverty. **How can I donate?**

Once off donation of €100 or setting up a Standing Order of €8.50 per month. The Ray of Sunshine Foundation bank account details are as follows: Allied Irish Bank, Bank Place, Ennis
IBAN: IE90AIBK93538756328023

Email: info@rayofsunshine.ie or telephone Olive on 087/6994599

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Advent Light

Lord Jesus, Master of both the light and the darkness, send your Holy Spirit upon our preparation for Christmas. We who have so much to do seek quiet spaces to hear your voice each day. We who are anxious over many things look forward to your coming among us. We who are blessed in so many ways long for the complete joy of your Kingdom. We whose hearts are heavy seek the joy of your presence. We are your people, walking in darkness yet seeking the light. To you we say "Come, Lord Jesus". **Amen**

Newly Baptised!

We welcome into our Catholic Christian Community: Kacie Brosnan. We remember you in our prayers & we wish God's blessing on you & your families at this very special time & always!

Journey Prayer

Arise with me in the morning, travel with me through the day. Welcome me on my arrival. God be with me all the way. AMEN

We welcome the Nenagh Brass Band who will be playing Festive Music on Sun December 15th before & during 11.30am Mass

Preparation for Advent: Christmas with the Chosen:

This episode entitled: "The Messengers", refers to the angels who visited Joseph and Mary separately. Both talk of how the word they received from God has given them courage and determination to walk an unexpected and hard path. "The Messengers" is probably unlike most Christmas stories you've ever seen in the way it contrasts majesty and misery. But it might just prompt you to think about Jesus' birth in some profound new ways.

Join Fr Vincent Stapleton from Thurles on Thursday, December 5th at 7.30pm in the Youth Centre for a viewing of **The Messengers** followed by chat and tea.

Advent Prayer

4,3,2,1 ...Count the weeks 'til Jesus comes. Each week we add another light. Our hope for Jesus growing bright. We pray, we share, we do our part, to welcome Jesus to our heart! Amen

Roscrea Readers -Sat Dec 7th 6.30pm – Catherine Lorigan & Joseph Moloughney, Sun Dec 8th 11.30am – Lorraine Shaw Jim Feeley. Couraguneen Reader – Sat Dec 7th 7.30pm –Diarmuid Ryan.

Bournea, Kyle & Knock and Camblin Mass Times Please note new Mass times in Knock, Ballagmore & Camblin		
Couraguneen	Clonakenny	Camblin
Saturday 7.30 pm	Saturday 7.30 pm	Sunday 10.15am
Nov 23 rd	Nov 30 th	Dec 1 st
Dec 7 th	Dec 14 th	Dec 15 th
Ballagmore	Knock	
Sunday 9.15am	Sunday 9.15am	
Nov 24 th	Dec 1 st	
Dec 8 th	Dec 15 th	

Anniversary Masses for all churches within the Pastoral Area can be booked through the Parish Office ONLY at 0505-31835. Funeral Masses in St. Cronan's Church 10am & 12 Noon.

PARISH LOTTO

Last Week's Lucky Dip Winner was
Valerie Guerin - Congratulations

Go to www.ourfundraiser.ie/org/stcronanscluster

Templemore Folk Group Concert

Dec 8th Templemore Folk group will run their charity concert for Ms Ireland (Tipp Branch) and Templemore Social Services Centre. The main artist this year is Sean Keane. Tickets €30 available from Parish Office 0504 35772 (Office Hours 9.30am-1.30pm – Mon to Thurs)/ 086 1716989 or any Folk Group member.

Reflection for the first Sunday of Advent

Today we begin a new church year and our spiritual countdown to Christmas.

Advent is an opportunity to press Pause in our busy lives and develop inner peace through prayer.

Our Gospel today has three striking phrases:

Guard, be alert, stand up.

During Advent let's try to:

Guard and protect the real meaning of Christmas

Be alert to the fact that God is ALWAYS with us

Stand up and raise your hands in praise and thanksgiving.

We're off to a good start in Advent if we put these words into action

Clonakenny Church Concert.

Our Christmas by Candlelight Concert is in St. Brigid's Church Clonakenny on December 7th. We would like to advise our guests that doors will open at 6.15pm with Concert commencing at 7pm. All patrons should know they must bring their tickets with them on the night to gain entry. If anyone who has bought tickets and cannot attend on the night please let your ticket seller know as we have a cancellation list. Raffle tickets will be sold on the night in aid of North Tipperary Hospice. Please remember to bring cash for these as we will have no card facilities. Thank you to all for their support so far and we look forward to welcoming you all on the night.

Age Friendly Roscrea Christmas Rambling House on Wednesday 4th December at 7pm in The Courthouse. All welcome to join us for an evening of music, songs and stories.

THURLES CATHEDRAL CHOIR GALA CONCERT - Cathedral Choir accompanied by the Clonmel Concert Band –on Sunday December 1st Thurles Cathedral at 7.30 p.m. No Booking Required Donation on the night. Special Guest: Gina Oberoi (Irish Soprano). Enjoy an evening of seasonal music and song! All proceeds to Cathedral Reroofing Project.

The 2024 Bournea Reaching Out Historical Society will launch their annual publication on Saturday 30 November at 8 pm in Killea Community Centre.

Books available on the night and from Saturday 30th November in shops in Roscrea, Templemore, Clonakenny & Dunkerrin.

Soul-Care Medjugorje 2025

October 22nd - 29th - 7 nights Pilgrimage.

Direct Flight Dublin to Mostar

€825 including €50 Early Booking Discount up to Jan 31st 2025. Marian Pilgrimages (01) 8788159 Séamus Doran (087) 9009820

Advent Prayer

Come, long-expected Jesus. Excite in me a wonder at the wisdom and power of Your Father and ours. Receive my prayer as part of my service of the Lord who enlists me in God's own work for justice.

Come, long-expected Jesus. Excite in me a hunger for peace: peace in the world, peace in my home, peace in myself.

Come, long-expected Jesus. Excite in me a joy responsive to the Father's joy. I seek His will so I can serve with gladness, singing and love.

Come, long-expected Jesus. Excite in me a joy and love and peace it is right to bring to the manger of my Lord. Raise in me, too, sober reverence for the God who acted there hearty gratitude for the life begun there, and spirited resolution to serve the Father and Son. I pray in the name of Jesus Christ, whose advent I hail. Amen.