



Prayer for Grandparents (Pope Benedict)

Lord Jesus, you were born of the Virgin Mary, the daughter of Saints Joachim and Anne. Look with love on grandparents the world over. Protect them! They are a source of enrichment for families, for the Church and for all of society. Support them! As they grow older, may they continue to be for their families strong pillars of Gospel faith, guardian of noble domestic ideals, living treasures of sound religious traditions. Make them teachers of wisdom and courage, that they may pass on to future generations the fruits of their mature human and spiritual experience. Lord Jesus, help families and society to value the presence and roles of grandparents. May they never be ignored or excluded, but always encounter respect and love. Help them to live serenely and to feel welcomed in all the years of life which you give them. Mary, Mother of all the living, keep grandparents constantly in your care, accompany them on their earthly pilgrimage, and by your prayers, grant that all families may one day be reunited in our heavenly homeland, where you await all humanity for the great embrace of life without end. Amen

GOOD AND EVIL CO-EXIST

In Palestine a poisonous weed known as darnel affects wheat crops. In the early stages of growth it looks very like the young shoots of wheat. By the time both plants can be distinguished, the roots are so entwined as to make tearing out the darnel very injurious to the wheat.

The owner of the field who allowed the wheat and the darnel to grow together is a reminder to us to be patient with ourselves and with others when we see everything is not right. Sometimes a preoccupation with the negative (the darnel) can blind us to seeing the positive in our own lives and in the lives of others. When have you found that a willingness to live with the messiness of the present created the conditions for future growth?

Have you ever found that it was through accepting the darnel that you learned important lessons for life, e.g., learning by making mistakes, or asking stupid questions, or taking foolish risks?

The parables of the mustard seed and the leaven are reminders that seemingly insignificant things can have very positive results. Have you ever been surprised by the benefit to yourself or others of a kind gesture, a small initiative, or a word of encouragement?

St. Brigid's Church Killeshandra

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Sunday 23rd 11am 1st anniv. Lucy Hayes Main St. / 4th anniv. Fiona Gill London

Monday 24th 7pm

Wednesday 26th 9am Ss. Joachim and Anne, parents of Our Lady

Friday 28th 6pm Hour of Power, silent prayer with Benediction **7pm** Mass anniv. Bartley and Jean Rooney Gurteen and daughter Mary Maguire

Sunday 30th 11am Anniv. William, Margaret, Liam Geary Drumbagh / Anne Mc Gibney Corliss / Dr. Tom Burke Portaliffe

Cemetery Sunday Killeshandra July 30th Old Cemetery after 11am Mass followed by blessing in New Cemetery

Collection July 16th €1,813

Sacred Heart Church Arva

Sunday 23rd 10am 1st anniv. Joseph Reilly Drumhaldry / Tessie and Hugh Brady and Hugh Og, Kilgariff

Friday 28th 10am Morning Mass **Sunday 30th** 10am Anniv. Luke Martin Farrangariff, son Luke Aughnaciffle /

Bridie Duffy Broad Rd.

Collection July 16th €615

Arva Branch Library is closed for improvement works from Tuesday 11th July 2023 at 6.30pm. Apologies for any inconvenience caused.

Church of the Immaculate Conception Coronea

Saturday 22nd 7.30pm Vigil, anniv. Philip Michael Ann and Brigid Reilly Farransee / Joe, Anna Mary, James, Josephine O

Reilly Drumbess **Tuesday 25th** 10am St. James, Apostle **Saturday 29th** 7.30pm Vigil anniv. **Collection July €550**

Coronea Cemetery Sun. August 13th 12.30pm. Please bring your own Holy Water. There will be Holy Water available but not small bottles.

Kilmore Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock will take place on Wednesday, the 9th of August a bus is being organised for the parish. Names please to Bridie Finlay 049-4334179 Monday to Wed. afternoons or Brian Connolly 087-9080817 The coach will depart as follows ; Arva church 8am Killeshandra 8.15 Carrigallan 8.30, Drumreilly 8.45 finally Ballinamore 9am. Cost per seat is €15

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