

**St Brigid's Church Killeshandra**  
**Church of the Immaculate Conception Coronea & Sacred Heart Church Arva**  
**Church Newsletter 14<sup>th</sup> January 2024**  
**SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**Reflection - Overcoming divisions:**

Some years ago, a young Protestant British Soldier, suffered fatal injuries as a result of a bomb blast, near Belfast. With the aid of a life support machine, he was kept alive for a short time while his parents were consulted about donating his healthy organs. Though heartbroken at his impending death, his parents readily agreed. All the recipients of his much sought after organs were Catholics, in Dublin and Belfast hospitals. When the parents came to Belfast to collect the body of their dead son, they visited the Dublin hospital and the patients who had received the organs, as they were now on the road to recovery. The dead soldiers grieving Father had this to say: "We, in these islands, are all victims of a history which was often violent and inhuman. We are left with a legacy of prejudice, hatred and sectarianism which is destructive and has to be overcome. Maybe my son's violent death has not been in vain".

**Declaration of faith and commitment:** We believe that all our land belongs to God, not to unionists or nationalists. All of us have to live in it and share it together – we seek justice for everyone in our society... we seek freedom for all to express and practice their faith in accordance with their traditions but never at the expense of their neighbour's right. We assert the rights of groups to highlight their grievances in non-violent and sensitive ways. We reject any kind of religious or political triumphalism and any arrogant assertion of one's tradition in arranging of marches, the staging of illegal demonstrations or the provocative holding of ceremonies. (Inter Church Group on Faith & Politics in N. Ireland)

**Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 18<sup>th</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> January 2024.**

**Theme – you shall love the Lord your God...and your neighbour as yourself. (Luke 10:27)**

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**Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> Jan. 11am.** Anniv. Joe and Brendan Reilly, Dernacross and deceased family members.  
Anniv. Winifred King, Aughavadrin.

**Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> Jan. 2pm.** Funeral Mass of Colm O'Reilly, Killeshandra and Drung.

**Monday 15<sup>th</sup> Jan. 7pm.**

**Friday 19<sup>th</sup> Jan. 7pm.** Anniv. John Gilsenan, Main Street and Redhills.

**Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> Jan. 11am.** Anniv. Neil Phair, Portaliffe. (Celebrant - Fr John Phair).

**Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> Jan. 11am.** Anniv. John, Gertie, Kathleen and Jack Burns and John Flood.

Anniv. Fr Dan Sheridan P.P., Killeshandra and Glangevlin.

Anniv. Tommy and Margaret Patterson, Drumamby.

**Please remember in your prayers:** Phil McGauran, Aughnacliffe who died on 5<sup>th</sup> January. Father and father-in-law of Matt and Cheryl (Shanley) McGauran and Ali and Deirdre (Martin) McGauran.

Tommy O'Reilly, Milltown and Drumconlester who died on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January.

Colm O'Reilly, Lahard and Drung who died on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> January. **May they Rest in Peace.**

**Offertory Collections:** 25<sup>th</sup> Dec. - €2,438. 31<sup>st</sup> Dec. - €1,134. 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> Jan. - €700.

**Sacred Heart Church Arva**

**Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> Jan. 10am.**

**Friday 19<sup>th</sup> Jan. 10am.**

**Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> Jan. 10am.**

**Offertory Collections:** 31<sup>st</sup> Dec. - €505. 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> Jan. - €416.

**St. Mary's N.S Arva Enrolment 2024** St. Mary's N.S. Arva, are now accepting enrolments for September 2024. Please contact the school on (049) 4335560 before Friday 1st March 2024 for an enrolment form.

**Good Luck!! Best wishes to the Arva Team in the All-Ireland Junior Club Final today, Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> in Croke Park.**

**Church of the Immaculate Conception Coronea**

**Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> Jan. 11am.** Month's Memory Annie Fleming (nee McKiernan), Drumkeeran and Nottingham, England.

**Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> Jan. 7.30pm.** 1<sup>st</sup> Anniv. Kathleen O'Reilly, Farranseer and Palmerstown.

1<sup>st</sup> Anniv. Michael McGahern and 3<sup>rd</sup> Anniv. Kathleen McGahern, Cordownan.

**Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> Jan. 10am.**

**Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> Jan. 7.30pm.** Month's Memory. Dessie Harrington, Drumkeeran.

**Offertory Collections:** 30<sup>th</sup> Dec. - €324. 6<sup>th</sup> Jan. - €512.

**The Backpack for Adults:** Following on from the success of the in previous years at Cavan Institute, the course will run again on Tuesday evenings from January 23rd for 8 weeks. The Backpack is a human and spiritual development programme containing topics such as Anxiety, Negative Looping Thoughts, Resilience Building, Self-Awareness, Boundary Setting and Healthy Relationship with Self, Others, and God. Apply online: [cavaninstitute.ie/eveningcourses](http://cavaninstitute.ie/eveningcourses) or call: 049 437 7940.

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