

St Brigid's Church Killeshandra
Church of the Immaculate Conception Coronea & Sacred Heart Church Arva
Church Newsletter 19th May 2024
Pentecost Sunday

Sunday Reflection: The Lotus flower is a kind of a water lily and is found mainly in Africa. It blooms under most difficult circumstances, even in poor soil where there is mud and water. It manages to come to terms with seemingly adverse surroundings and adds its precious colour to the life of nature. The lives of very many ordinary people bloom in circumstances similar to the Lotus flower with the help of the Holy Spirit. 'The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.' (Gal.5:22-23). If our current state is lacking even one part of the content, it means that there is something else active in us, preventing full communication with the Holy Spirit. We may need help, firstly to identify exactly what is presently causing us undue anxiety or to find the roots of our resentments, and secondly what remedial action is necessary. If this is our current condition, our priority should be to open ourselves for our own reconstruction and healing. Then we will know the power of the Holy Spirit working both within us and through us.

Congratulations to all the children from the Parish who received First Holy Communion and the Sacrament of Confirmation.
May God bless them, may Jesus inspire them and may the Holy Spirit guide them.

Mary's Meals Ireland will hold a church gate collection on May 25th-May 26th. Your support will be greatly appreciated. They feed more than 2.4 million children each school day in 18 of the world's poorest countries. €22 will feed a child in their place of education for a whole school year with at least 43% of all donations going directly to their charitable activities.

St. Brigid's Church Killeshandra

Sunday 19th May **11am.** Anniv. Frank Curran, Killeshandra and Donegal.

6th Anniv. Gretta Magee, Drumnavanagh and formerly Drumgoa.

Monday 20th May **7pm.** People of the Parish

Wednesday 22nd May Eucharistic Adoration 5pm to 9pm.

Friday 24th May **7pm.** Anniv. Madge and Phil Sheridan, Drumcullion, Killeshandra.

Sunday 26th May **11am.** Anniv. John, Rose and Hugh Kiernan, Drumrooske.

Anniv. John, Eileen, Pat and Richard Brady and the deceased members of the Galligan family.

Please remember in your prayers: Rosaleen Reilly (née Swarbrick), Church Street whose funeral took place in St Brigid's on Friday 17th May. May she Rest in Peace.

Offertory Collection: 12th May: €816. **Eucharist Adorers donations to date:** €449.69.

Giveblood.ie: Support your local blood clinic! Slieve Russell Hotel Ballyconnell, Monday 20th May from 3:45pm – 8:00pm. Check your eligibility at giveblood.ie **Please note appointment only** phone to 1800 222 111 from 9am – 5pm as there is only a certain number of slots per day. **Appointments cannot be made by email or text.**

Sacred Heart Church Arva

Sunday 19th May **10am.**

Friday 24th May **10am.**

Sunday 26th May **10am.** Anniv. Kathleen Ellis, Woodlands, Arva.

Readers: Sunday 19th May: Mel Bouchier. 26th May: John Ryan.

Offertory Collection: 12th May – €664.55. **Diocesan Purposes Collection to date:** €123.

Church of the Immaculate Conception Coronea

Saturday 18th May **7.30pm.** Anniv. John and Helena Sheridan, Farransee.

Anniv. Seán Maguire and deceased members of the Maguire family, Bruce.

Anniv. Philip Mulligan, Forthill.

Tuesday 21st May **10am.**

Saturday 25th May **7.30pm.**

Offertory Collections: 4th May - €265.

Lough Derg 2024 Pilgrimage Season

Three Day Pilgrimage: The Three Day Pilgrimage will commence on **Friday 31st May and continue until Thursday 15th August.** (*Tuesday 13th August is the final day for pilgrims to begin the Three Day Pilgrimage*). Admission €80 | Booking advised | Concessions available for students, seniors and groups.

One Day Retreat: A day of guided prayer and reflection. August: Saturday 17th, Tuesday 20th, Sunday 25th, Monday 26th, Saturday 31st. September: Wednesday 4th, Saturday 7th, Tuesday 10th, Saturday 14th, Sunday 15th, Saturday 21st, Sunday 22nd. €45 per person/concessions available for groups.

Quiet Day A self directed day in the peaceful setting of Station Island. Friday September 13th. €35 per person.

Booking is essential at www.loughderg.org

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Secretary: Bridie Finlay **049-4334017** or **Email:** killeshandra@kilmorediocese.ie – Booking of Anniversary Masses, and notices for inclusion in Church Newsletter. Monday to Wednesday 1.30 to 3.30pm.