

**St Brigid's Church Killeshandra**  
**Church of the Immaculate Conception Coronea & Sacred Heart Church Arva**  
**Church Newsletter 19<sup>th</sup> 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.' (Ggal.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 25<sup>th</sup>-May 26<sup>th</sup>. 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**

**[churchtv.ie/killeshandra](http://churchtv.ie/killeshandra)**

**Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> May 11am. Anniv.** Frank Curran, Killeshandra and Donegal.

**6<sup>th</sup> Anniv.** Gretta Magee, Drumnahanagh and formerly Drumgoa.

**Monday 20<sup>th</sup> May 7pm.** People of the Parish

**Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May** Eucharistic Adoration 5pm to 9pm.

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

**Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> 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 Swarbrigg), Church Street whose funeral took place in St Brigid's on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> May. May she Rest in Peace.

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

**Giveblood.ie:** Support your local blood clinic! Slieve Russell Hotel Ballyconnell, Monday 20<sup>th</sup> May from 3:45pm – 8:00pm. Check your eligibility at [giveblood.ie](http://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 19<sup>th</sup> May 10am.**

**Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May 10am.**

**Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> May 10am. Anniv.** Kathleen Ellis, Woodlands, Arva.

**Readers: Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> May:** Mel Bouchier. **26<sup>th</sup> May:** John Ryan.

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

**Church of the Immaculate Conception Coronea**

**Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> May 7.30pm. Anniv.** John and Helena Sheridan, Farranseer.

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

**Anniv.** Philip Mulligan, Forthill.

**Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> May 10am.**

**Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> May 7.30pm.**

**Offertory Collections: 4<sup>th</sup> May -** €265.

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**Lough Derg 2024 Pilgrimage Season**

**Three Day Pilgrimage:** The Three Day Pilgrimage will commence on **Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May and continue until Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> August.** (*Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> 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 17<sup>th</sup>, Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup>, Sunday 25<sup>th</sup>, Monday 26<sup>th</sup>, Saturday 31<sup>st</sup>. September: Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup>, Saturday 7<sup>th</sup>, Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup>, Saturday 14<sup>th</sup>, Sunday 15<sup>th</sup>, Saturday 21<sup>st</sup>, Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup>.

€45 per person/concessions available for groups.

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

Booking is essential at [www.loughderg.org](http://www.loughderg.org)

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