

**St Brigid's Church Killeshandra**  
**Church of the Immaculate Conception Coronea & Sacred Heart Church Arva**  
**Church Newsletter 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2024**  
**Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Message for the Day for Life – June 16 2024**

**This year our focus is on End of Life Care. We are called to value, protect and defend the gift of life to its natural end.**

**We give thanks for all who provide and support hospice care. To view the Message for the Day for Life 2024 visit**

**<https://councilforlife.ie>**

“The Lord is my Shepherd – Compassion and Hope at the End of Life”

There has been much discussion in the media recently about “assisted suicide”, whereby people who feel they are overburdened by suffering will be facilitated in bringing their lives to a premature end by a change in legislation. The Catholic Church opposes such proposals. As Catholics, along with many people of other faiths and none, we share a different vision about what it is to be fully human, especially when we are suffering and approaching death in the hope of eternal life. People who are coming towards the end of their lives are vulnerable, and recent research shows that many feel themselves a burden on their loved ones and wider society. Jesus shows us that life always has dignity and that there is no such a thing as a useless life. We are called to defend this gift of life to its natural end and to protect vulnerable citizens from a culture that could pressure them into assisted suicide. We support people with the companionship of a listening ear, appropriate treatment, and the best of care, so that their last days can be times of grace, intimacy and love. Jesus did not send the sick away. Our Lady remained at the foot of the Cross to the very end as Her Son, Jesus, died. Mary is the model of compassionate presence and prayer whom we are called to imitate. People close to death and their loved ones, often go through similar darkness and pain but can come to a more complete acceptance and find peace in those treasured last moments accompanied by spiritual care.

**Parish Office - New office hours: Monday to Wednesday 10am – 1pm.**

**St. Brigid's Church Killeshandra**

**Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> June 11am.** **Anniv.** Terry, Sheila, Jim and Niall Brady, Gurteen.

**Anniv.** James and Mary Brogan, Creenagh.

**Anniv.** Rita O'Reilly and deceased family members, Killagoan.

**Monday 24<sup>th</sup> June 10am.** **For the People of the Parish.**

**Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> June** Eucharistic Adoration 5pm to 9pm.

**Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June 7pm.** **Memorial Mass** for Joseph McCormack, Railway Road. Requested by the Railway Road Residents.

**Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> June 11am.** **Anniv.** Matt Fitzgerald and the deceased members of the O'Reilly and Fitzgerald families, Gurteen.

**3<sup>rd</sup> Anniv.** Phyllis Burns, Portaliffe.

**Please remember in your prayers:** Mary Jo O'Flaherty, Cormeen, Virginia (Mother of Paddy O'Flaherty, Snackiel and Grandmother of Caoimhe Quinn, Corliss N.S.) whose funeral took place in St Mary's Church, Castlerahan on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> June. May she Rest in Peace.

**Offertory Collection: 16<sup>th</sup> June: €.**

**Social Services Annual Outing** - Moon River Cruise on the Shannon in Carrick-on-Shannon on Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> June, followed by a meal in Leitrim Village. Bus departing from Killeshandra Community Hall at 10am. To book contact: Annamay at 0494334990. Everyone very welcome me to come along.

**Sacred Heart Church Arva**

**Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> June 10am.** **1<sup>st</sup> Anniv.** Francie Smith, No 17, Main Street, Arva.

**Anniv.** Anna Seery formerly Bunnoe and Farrangarriff.

**Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June 10am.**

**Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> June 10am.** **2<sup>nd</sup> Anniv.** Tom Seery, Main Street, Arva.

**Anniv.** Ann Cullen and her daughter, Carmel Hallissey, Gartylough.

**Anniv.** Teresa and Benny Fitzpatrick, Main Street, Arva.

**Anniv.** Trevor Reid, Swords, Co Dublin

**Readers:** Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> June: Paul Dobson. **Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> June:** Alanna Finnegan.

**Children's Rosary Practice** every Monday evening at 6.30pm in the Sacred Heart Church, Arva. Everyone welcome.

**St. Patrick's Arva GAA:** In order to discuss the next phase of our development plans, we invite all club members to attend a club meeting in St. Patrick's Hall, Arva on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> July at 9:00pm. This is a very exciting time for our club and we encourage all members to get involved in the future of their club.

**Offertory Collection: 16<sup>th</sup> June – €588.15. Pope's Collection €35.**

**Church of the Immaculate Conception Coronea**

**Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> June 7.30pm.** **Anniv.** Felix McKiernan, Corr, also for his sister Nancy who died recently in Canada.

**Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> June 10am.**

**Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> June 7.30pm.**

**Please remember in your prayers:** Cathal Miney, Coolbawn, Ballinagh whose funeral took place in on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> June in the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Coronea. May he Rest in Peace.

**Offertory Collections:** 8<sup>th</sup> June - €315. 15<sup>th</sup> June - €420.

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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 10am to 1pm.