

St Brigid's Church Killeshandra
Church of the Immaculate Conception Coronea & Sacred Heart Church Arva
Church Newsletter – Sunday 21st December 2025
Fourth Sunday of Advent

Sunday Reflection: *Happy Christmas* A lot of people confuse happiness with pleasure. There is a world of difference between them. Unless we recognise this difference, we have not yet begun to live. People who have tasted real happiness are suspicious of pleasure, because pleasure sometimes can be the death of happiness. For instance, alcohol gives pleasure but, misused it can undermine happiness. Happiness consists in having a love affair with life itself. It is having a heart aglow with warmth for all your companions on the road of life. It is a blend of laughter and tears as in the life of a contented child. It is knowing how to share with other people. It is looking for the joy that comes in small packages, knowing that the big packages are few and far between. It is making the most of the present, enjoying what is at hand right now. Happiness is love bubbling over into life. And, surprisingly, it can coexist with pain. Happiness is the flag we fly for others when Christ, the Prince of Peace, is in residence within our hearts.

May God bless each one of us this Christmas. May all darkness in our lives
be removed by the light of Christ and may our hearts be filled with the Joy of Christ's birth.
Wishing everyone a Warm, Happy and Holy Christmas.
From Fr. Andrew, Fr. Finbar and all involved in the Parish.

Christmas Day Charity Swim at Gulladoo Lake at 12.30pm in aid of Brain Tumour Ireland. For further information contact Juliette at 083 4623967.

St. Brigid's Church Killeshandra Eircode: H12 DD79

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Sunday 21st December 11.15am. Anniv. Patrick and Marcella McClean, Coragh.
1st Anniv. Hughie Carmicheal, Drumgoa, Killeshandra.

Monday 22nd December 10am.

Wednesday 24th December 4pm. Christmas Eve - Happy Birthday Jesus – Children's Mass
9pm. Christmas Eve - Vigil Mass

Thursday 25th December 11.15am. Christmas Day - The Nativity of The Lord

Friday 26th December No Mass.

Sunday 28th December 11.15am. Anniv. Joseph Braiden, Bawn and deceased family members.

Readers: Sunday 21st/24th December: Michael McGibney. **Sunday 25th/28th December:** Kieran Fitzpatrick.

Offertory Collections: Sunday 14th December: €1,335.

Sacred Heart Church Arva Eircode: H12 RY96

Sunday 21st December 9.45am. Anniv. Matt Dobson and Sheila Burns.

Wednesday 24th December 8pm. Christmas Eve - Vigil Mass

Thursday 25th December 9.45am. Christmas Day - The Nativity of The Lord. Anniv. Bridie Calders, Tycusker.

Friday 26th November 10am. St Stephen's Day Mass and Eucharistic Adoration from 10.30am – 11.30am.

Saturday 27th December 5pm. Memorial Mass and Burial of Ashes - Kathleen Lagarde (née Doyle), Enaghan.

Sunday 28th December 9.45am. Anniv. Hugh and Eileen Finnegan, Castlepoles
and their daughter, Carmel Redmond, Castleblaney.

Readers: Sunday 21st December: Olivia Brady. **Wednesday 24th December:** Shane Dobson. **Thursday 25th December:** Michael Ellis.

Eucharistic Ministers: Sunday 21st Dec: Teresa Lynch and Eileen McGlade. **Wednesday 24th Dec:** Lilian Brady and Ann Farrelly.

Thursday 25th December: Carmel Dobson and Cormac O'Donnell.

Offertory Collection: Sunday 14th December: €720.47.

Children's Rosary Sacred Heart Church: Wednesdays - 6.30pm. We welcome all children and adults to join us in this beautiful prayer.

2026 Offertory/Dues/Church Renovation Fund Envelopes: Will be at the back of the Church for collection over the Christmas season.

Thank you for your continued support.

Church of the Immaculate Conception Coronea Eircode: H12 HN53

Saturday 20th December 7.30pm. 2nd Anniv. Dessie Harrington, Drumkeeran and also his parents, Frank and Kathleen Harrington.
30th Anniv. Brigid Cassidy, Drumcarey.
3rd Anniv. Aaron McEntee.

Tuesday 23rd December 10am.

Wednesday 24th December 6.30pm. Christmas Eve - Vigil Mass

Thursday 25th December 9am. Christmas Day - The Nativity of The Lord.

Saturday 27th December 7.30pm. People of the Parish.

Offertory Collection: Saturday 13th December: €385.

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Corliss National School Enrolment - Corliss National School is now accepting enrolments for the school year 2026/2027. Enrolment forms are available from the school by contacting schooloffice@corlissns.ie or 049 433488. **Open Day** to follow in the New Year, where you can view our fabulous new school building. For updates check out our website corlissns.weebly.com

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Parish Office Opening Hours -Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 10am to 1pm. Contact Bridie: 049 4334017.

Email: killeshandra@kilmorediocese.ie – Booking of Anniversary Masses, and notices for inclusion in Church Newsletter.