

St Brigid's Church Killeshandra
Church of the Immaculate Conception Coronea & Sacred Heart Church Arva
Church Newsletter – Sunday 18th January 2026
Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday Reflection: Christian Unity Week: A Cocktail of racism mixed with political, social and religious turmoil is a breeding ground for evil extremes in human behaviour. Sectarianism, bigotry, and its horrible descendant, fanaticism, have long possessed this beautiful earth. They have filled the earth with violence, drenched it often, and often with human blood, destroyed civilisation and sent whole nations to despair. As part of this human sickness, the words of Jesus have been twisted and turned to mean everything, anything and nothing. His name continues to be used and abused to justify crimes, to frighten children and to inspire men and women to heroic acts of foolishness. All Christian Churches and their followers need to feel a sense of shame and seek ways of amendment. Jesus prayed that his followers 'all be one' (John 17:21). In this week of prayer for Christian Unity, let us remember that to harm another is to harm oneself. Our leaders might remember an Ethiopian proverb which says, 'If spiders unite, they can stop a lion'.

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Week and Catholic Schools Week

Skip at Coronea Cemetery has been removed. We kindly ask, if attending your loved one's graves to please bring home your debris.

Parish Dates for your Diary 2026:

Sacrament of Confirmation for the whole Parish: in Church of the Sacred Heart, Arva on Saturday 25th April at 11am.

First Holy Communion for St. Mary's NS in Sacred Heart Church, Arva on Saturday 16th May at 11am.

First Holy Communion for Coronea NS in the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Coronea on Saturday 23rd May at 12noon.

Cemetery Sunday - Killeshandra on Sunday 26th July following 11.15am Mass. **Cemetery Sunday** – Coronea - date to be confirmed.

St. Brigid's Church Killeshandra Eircode: H12 DD79

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Sunday 18th January 11.15am. Anniv. John Gilsenan, Redhills and Main Street, Killeshandra.

Anniv. Winnifred (Winnie) King, Aughavadrin.

Monday 19th January 7pm.

Wednesday 21st January

Eucharistic Adoration - 5.30pm – 8.30pm.

Thursday 22nd January 1pm

Mass with Scoil Bhríde and Grandparents for Catholic Schools Week.

Friday 23rd January 7pm.

Sunday 25th January 11.15am.

Anniv. John, Gertie, Jack and Kathleen Burns and Jack Flood.

2nd Anniv. Rose O'Reilly, Lahard and **2nd Anniv.** Colm O'Reilly, Lahard, Killeshandra.

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

Anniv. Thomas and Anna May Flynn, Cordalea

Please remember in your prayers the following: Maragaret Daire (nee Masterson, Carrick-on-Shannon and Coragh, Killeshandra whose funeral took place on Wednesday last, 14th January in St. Michael's Church, Cootehill and Sean Keaney, Ballinagh and London whose funeral took place on Wednesday last, 14th January in St Joseph's Church, Drumkilly. May they Rest in Peace.

Candles for Candlemas Day: Place your order with Brian, before Sunday 25th January.

Readers: Sunday 18th/25th January: Declan Reilly.

Offertory Collections: Sunday 11th January: €2,196. This includes returned envelopes from other Church areas.

Scoil Bhríde Killeshandra will be celebrating Grandparents Day as part of Catholic Schools Week on Thursday 22nd January at 1pm in St. Brigid's Church. All grandparents of pupils are invited to attend the mass.

Scoil Bhríde Killeshandra: is enrolling for the 2026/2027 school year. To enrol your child, please email

scoilbhridekilleshandra@gmail.com or phone the school on 0494334886.

Killeshandra Queen Bees Women's Social Group: are hosting the North East Sepsis Awareness Talk on Monday 26th January at 7.30pm at the Focus Family Resource Centre, Killeshandra. All welcome.

Sacred Heart Church Arva Eircode: H12 RY96

Sunday 18th January 9.45am. **People of the Parish.**

Friday 23rd January 10am. Eucharistic Adoration from 10.30am – 11.30am.

Sunday 25th January 9.45am. Anniv. John Crowe, Main Street, Arva.

Enrolment Mass for First Holy Communion and Confirmation – for St Mary's N.S. Pupils.

Readers: Sunday 18th January: Claire Miney. **Sunday 25th January:** Áine Bannon.

Eucharistic Ministers: Sunday 18th January: Eileen Cully and Micky Cully. **Sunday 25th January:** Áine Bannon and John Ryan.

Collection Counters -18th/26th January: Jim Finnegan. Olivia Finnegan and Deirdre Dobson.

Offertory Collection: Sunday 11th January: €602.90.

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

Church of the Immaculate Conception Coronea Eircode: H12 HN53

Saturday 17th January 7.30pm.

Tuesday 13th January 10am. **Saturday 24th January 7.30pm. People of the Parish.**

Offertory Collections: Saturday 10th January: €607.40. This includes returned envelopes from other Church areas.

Coronea NS is now accepting enrolments for September 2026. If you wish to enrol a child in Junior Infants or any other class, please contact the school for enrolment details on 049 4335780. Please join us on Sat 31st Jan for our Open Day/Bake Sale from 11am to 1pm.

Priests: Fr. Andrew Tully P.P. Killeshandra. 049-4334017/086-8050526. Email: killeshandra@kilmorediocese.ie

Fr Finbarr Felix, MSP, Parochial House, Arva. 087-6442121.

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.