

**St Brigid's Church Killeshandra**  
**Church of the Immaculate Conception Coronea & Sacred Heart Church Arva**  
**Church Newsletter Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2026**  
**Second Sunday of Easter – Divine Mercy Sunday**

**Sunday Reflection:** There are times when we seem to be all alone in the world. There are times when we wonder if God is really out there, during loss, illness: we long for some sign that He is out there, and that He cares about us. And we, like Thomas, begin to doubt. If you hang around sceptical, unbelieving people, then you are in trouble. Your faith is not fed; belief does not do well in faithless company any more than resistance to drugs rarely survives well among drug-taking friends. Faith is like a muscle in the body: if you do not use it, it begins to weaken. If you do not exercise your faith, it too dies. The way you exercise your faith is by living it. First and foremost, you have to talk to God. We call that prayer. You have to talk to God because you cannot have a relationship with anyone unless you communicate with them. When Death asks the question, 'Is there anyone out there' the answer is a firm 'Yes!' If you are a person of faith, hold on to it. Exercise it, use it, it is a gift more precious than gold. You are indeed fortunate when you can say, and believe, the words of St Thomas, *'My Lord and my God.'*

**Interested in Caring for Creation in our Parish?** You are invited to enrol in a free online Laudato Si' Animators Course from April 15th (4 sessions) inspired by the **'30% Return to Nature of church grounds by 2030'** initiative. Sign up through the <https://laudatosianimators.org/> website.

**St. Brigid's Church Killeshandra Eircode: H12 DD79**

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**Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> April** 11.15am. Anniv. Jim Hayes, Main Street.  
14<sup>th</sup> Anniv. Niamh Duffy. (Anniversary on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> April last).

**Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April** 7pm.

**Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> April** 5.30 – 8.30pm. Eucharistic Adoration

**Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> April** 7.30pm. Ceremony of Light for Confirmation Children

**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> April** 7pm.

**Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> April** 11.15am. 1<sup>st</sup> Anniv. Kevin O'Reilly, Drumambry.

**Readers: Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> April:** Ella O'Reilly. **Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> April:** Martina Tiernan.

**Offertory Collection: Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> April:** €1,563. **Trocaire Collection to date:** €3,181.

**Cavan Autism Parents Support (C.A.P.S.) Church Gate Collection** taken up on Sunday last at St. Brigid's Church amounted to €464.85. Thanks to all who supported and also thanks to the Collectors, Rosie Tighe and John Mulligan.

**Queen Bees Killeshandra Women's Social Group:** are hosting an Information Evening on Staying Safe Online & Fraud Awareness on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April at 7.30pm at the Focus Family Resource Centre, Killeshandra.

**It's a big year for the Killeshandra Camino — our 5<sup>th</sup> Annual event! Save the date: 20 June 2026:**

Please help us spread the word by liking and sharing on Facebook and Instagram. If you're not on social media, maybe ask friends or family to share it for you. This special event only happens thanks to the incredible support of our community — let's make year five the best one yet!

**Positions available on the Rural Social Scheme supporting Killeshandra Tidy Towns:** Positions on the scheme are open to farmers or family members aged 25 or over, we can also accept applications from qualifying rural dwellers aged 50 years or older. 19.5hrs per week, flexible hours. Top up on existing payment. Retain your medical card and fuel allowance. Full stamp towards contributory pension. Full details of eligibility and payment rates are available on the DSP website.

For further information contact Cavan County Local Development on 049 4331029.

**Sacred Heart Church Arva Eircode: H12 RY96**

**Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> April** 9.45am. People of the Parish

**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> April** 10am. Eucharistic Adoration after Mass

**Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> April** 9.45am. 1<sup>st</sup> Anniv. Ita Reilly, Drumhaldry.

Anniv. Hugh Hourigan, Woodlands, Arva.

**Readers:** Áine Bannon. **Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> April:** Clare Miney. **Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> April:** Micheál O'Faoláin.

**Eucharistic Ministers: Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> April:** Margaret Maguire, Margaret McEntee and Frances Barry. **Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> April:** Sandra Dobson, Eileen Cully and Micky Cully.

**Collection Counters: 12<sup>th</sup>/19<sup>th</sup>/26<sup>th</sup> -** Coliosa Brady, Padraig Brady and Paul Dobson.

**Offertory Collections: Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> April:** €1,074.05.

**Children's Rosary Sacred Heart Church: Wednesdays - 6.30pm.** We welcome all children and adults to join us in this beautiful prayer. **St. Mary's N.S. Arva:** If any parent wishes to enrol their child/ren into St. Mary's N.S. Arva for September 2026 please email the school at [stmarysarva@gmail.com](mailto:stmarysarva@gmail.com) or phone 049-4335560 for an Enrolment Form.

**Church of the Immaculate Conception Coronea Eircode: H12 HN53**

**Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> April** 7.30pm. Anniv. Bob and Julia Maguire, Bruce

and deceased members of the Maguire and Martin families.

**Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> April** 10am. **The deceased of the** Cullen family, Dingins, the Cox family, Coronea,

Margaret McCabe and Martin McBride.

**Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> April** 7.30pm.

**Offertory Collections:** Will be included in next week's Newsletter.

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