

St Brigid's Church Killeshandra
Church of the Immaculate Conception Coronea & Sacred Heart Church Arva
Church Newsletter Sunday 17th May 2026
THE ASSENSION OF THE LORD (World Communications Day)

Sunday Reflection: Leonardo da Vinci had started to work on a large canvas in his studio. Then suddenly he stopped working on it. Summoning one of his talented students, the master invited him to complete the work. The student protested that he was unworthy and unable to complete the great painting which his master had begun. But da Vinci silenced him. 'Will not what I have done inspire you to do your best?' Jesus our Master began to spread the Good News two thousand years ago by what he said and did, and supremely by what he suffered. Jesus illustrated his message and left us to finish the picture. Will Jesus' life not inspire us to finish the picture? *This is the message of the Ascension.*

REMINDER: CHY3 FORMS were sent out in the post recently with the annual acknowledgement letters and we are very grateful to all those who have completed and returned the forms. If you are self-employed or a PAYE tax payer, we would appreciate you taking time to complete and return this form. If you contribute €250 or more per annum and pay over €250 in tax to Revenue, the church can claim back 45% of your contribution. (Example: €250 x 45% = €112.50 refund). Please note: This does not give us access to any of your tax details. Kindly enter your name, address and PPS number, sign it and return it in a sealed envelope marked CHY Form, via the weekend basket collection. **By post:** Parish Office, Parochial House, Portaliffe, Killeshandra, Co Cavan. H12KD30. If you need a new form, please contact the Office at 049 4334017 and we will send one out to you. Thank you. **Pioneer Total Abstinence Association – Consultation Meeting (Cavan)** on Tuesday 19th May in the Kilmore Hotel, Cavan from 7:30pm – 9:30pm. Everyone welcome.

East Cavan Region Pioneers Dinner Dance in the Lavey Inn on Sunday 24th May at 2pm. Preceded by Mass and Presentation of Pins in Upper Lavey Church at 1pm. Further details and sale of tickets from: Rosaleen Smith 087 2450692

Mary's Meals will hold their Annual Church Gate Collections across the Diocese on **May 30th and 31st**. Your support can make a real difference. They feed more than **3 million children** every school day across 16 of the world's poorest countries. Just **€22** feeds a child in their place of education for a full school year. At least **93%** of donations go directly to their charitable work. Please support if you can. For more information, visit www.marysmeals.ie or call Patricia on 086 3140814.

Are you ready for retirement? Free Pre-Retirement Seminar open to everyone (booking essential) by the Retirement Planning Council of Ireland with Age Friendly Cavan on Thursday 21st May at the Hotel Kilmore, Cavan from 9.30am–1.00pm (includes talks and light lunch) Topics include retirement planning, plus legal and social welfare information. Email: agefriendly@cavancoco.ie or call: 049 4378654 for bookings.

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

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Sunday 17th May	11.15am.	1st Anniv. Gerry McCormack, Railway Road.
Monday 18th May	7pm.	
Wednesday 20th May	5.30 – 8.30pm.	Eucharistic Adoration
Friday 22nd May	7pm.	
Sunday 24th May	11.15am.	Anniv. John, Rose and Hugh Kiernan, Drumrooske. Anniv. Gretta Magee, formerly Drumgoa.

Readers: Sunday 17th/24th May: Martina Young.

Offertory Collection: Sunday 10th May: €730. **Trocaire Collection to date:** €3,620. **Diocesan Trust Collection to date:** €254.

Please remember in your prayers: Kathleen Tierney (née Gumley), Railway Road, Belturbet and formerly Ballinagh and Railway Road, Killeshandra (sister of Noel Gumley, Railway Road, Killeshandra) whose funeral took place on Tuesday last, 12th May in St. Felim's Church, Ballinagh. May she Rest in Peace.

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

Sunday 17th May	9.45am.	Anniv. Mary, Patrick and John McGlade, Corlespratten.
Friday 22nd May	10am.	Anniv. Tommy and Margaret O'Reilly, Main Street, Arva. Eucharistic Adoration after Mass
Sunday 24th May	9.45am.	People of the Parish

Readers: Sunday 17th May: Joe Reilly. **Sunday 24th May:** Eileen McGlade.

Eucharistic Ministers. Sunday 17th May: Margaret Maguire, Margaret McEntee and Frances Barry. **Sunday 24th May:** Sandra Dobson, Eileen Cully and Micky Cully.

Collection Counters – Month of May – Sandra Dobson and Olivia Brady.

Offertory Collections: Sun 10th May: €784.70 (includes returns from other Church areas). **Diocesan Purposes Collection to date:** €115.

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 16th May	7.30pm.	2nd Anniv. Seamus Fitzpatrick, Drumcarey. Anniv. Philip, Annamay and Frances O'Donoghue late of Corr, Cornafean.
Tuesday 19th May	10am.	
Saturday 23rd May	12 Noon	First Holy Communion for Coronea N.S.
Saturday 23rd May	7.30pm.	Anniv. Seán Maguire, Bruce and deceased members of the Maguire family.

Offertory Collections: Saturday 9th May: €368.10. **Trocaire Collection to Date:** €595. **Diocesan Purposes Collection to date:** €116.

Priests: Fr. Andrew Tully P.P. Killeshandra. 049-4334017/086-8050526. Email: killeshandra@kilmorediocese.ie
Fr Tom McManus, Parochial House, Arva - 049 4335096.

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.