

**St Brigid's Church Killeshandra**  
**Church of the Immaculate Conception Coronea & Sacred Heart Church Arva**  
**Church Newsletter Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2026**  
**Fifth Sunday of Easter**

**May – The Month of Our Lady**

**Prayer to Our Blessed Mother**

*Take my hand, O Blessed Mother.*

*Hold me firmly lest I fall, I am nervous when I'm walking, and to Thee I humbly call.*

*Guide me over every crossing, watch me when I'm on the stairs.*

*Let me know you are beside me, listen to my fervent prayer.*

*Bring me to my destination, with you safely every day,*

*Help me with each undertaking as the hours pass away.*

*And when evening falls upon me, and I fear to be alone, take my hand O Blessed Mother.*

*Please stay with me in my home.*

**The Franciscan Missionary Sisters for Africa** will conduct this year's Mission Awareness Programme in Kilmore Diocese.

The Sisters will visit our Parish (**Coronea and Killeshandra Masses only**). Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> and Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> May They will issue an appeal after Communion time, conduct a collection at Masses and make available options for future donations to their work. Please visit [www.fmsa.net](http://www.fmsa.net) for more information on the foundation, spirituality and mission of the Franciscan Missionary Sisters for Africa.

**The Kilmore Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes takes place from 5th to 10th May.** If anyone would like to send a Petition to be left at the Grotto, please put them into a Sealed Envelope marked "Petition" and leave in Arva Post Office. Please **DO NOT** put any money in the envelope. If anyone wishes to have a Candle lit, please put the relevant amount (€5 or €10 euro) in an envelope and leave in Post Office.

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

**[churchtv.ie/killeshandra](http://churchtv.ie/killeshandra)**

<b>Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> May</b>	<b>11.15am.</b>	<b>Anniv.</b> Eileen O'Dowd and deceased of the O'Dowd and O'Reilly families. <b>Anniv.</b> Frank Curran.
<b>Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>7pm.</b>	<b>Months Memory</b> Erika Gehringer, Aghavadrin.
<b>Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>5.30 – 8.30pm.</b>	Eucharistic Adoration
<b>Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>7pm.</b>	<b>Anniv.</b> Bernard (Benny), Molly, James and Felix Sheridan, Main Street, Killeshandra.
<b>Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>11.15am.</b>	<b>People of the Parish</b>

**Readers: Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> /10<sup>th</sup> May:** Peggy Martin.

**Offertory Collection: Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> April:** €1,212. **Trocaire Collection to date:** €3,581.

**Killeshandra is in Irelands Best Kept Town Competition:** Following the strong performance in the 2025 Tidy Towns Competition, Killeshandra has been selected to take part in Irelands 'Best Kept Town Competition'. Judging is in May and being nominated for this competition is a great achievement and acknowledges the hard work of the many volunteers across so many community groups in Killeshandra and also the community in general, who demonstrate great pride in their community with their hard work and dedication.

**What we can do:** Everyone can make Killeshandra look the best it can be! Keep your building looking well, keep the footpaths outside your premises clean and have the moss on your roof treated. If you see something that needs to be done – don't wait for someone else to do it! Everyone has a role! It is a great honour to represent Cavan in this competition and we welcome the support of Cavan County Council to achieve the best outcome.

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

<b>Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> May</b>	<b>9.45am.</b>	Fr Svetozar Kraljevic, OFM will concelebrate Mass with Fr Tom McManus.
<b>Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> May</b>	<b>1pm.</b>	<b>Funeral Mass of Ann Doyle (née Crowe), Hollybank, Arva. May she Rest in Peace.</b>
<b>Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>10am.</b>	Eucharistic Adoration after Mass
<b>Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>9.45am.</b>	

**Fr Svetozar Kraljevic, OFM** was PP in Medjugorje in the 1990's. The Arthur McCluskey Foundation was set up to help the people of Bosnia Herzegovina to rebuild their lives following the cruel Yugoslav war of '92 – '95 when over 100,000 people were killed and at least two million (half the population) were made homeless. **A collection for this purpose will be taken up after Mass in Arva today, Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> May.** Fr Svetozar will speak at Mass and meet people in the Hall after Mass for tea and coffee.

**Readers: Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> May:** Paul Dobson. **Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> May:** Mel Bouchier. **Eucharistic Ministers, Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> May:** Anne Kiernan, Teresa Lynch and Eileen McGlade. **Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> May:** Lilian Brady, Carmel Dobson and Cormac O'Donnell.

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

**Offertory Collections: Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> April:** €785.90. **Trocaire Collection to date:** €3,390.

**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**

<b>Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> May</b>	<b>7.30pm.</b>	<b>People of the Parish.</b>
<b>Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>10am.</b>	
<b>Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>7.30pm.</b>	<b>Anniv.</b> Eugene, Bridget and Kathleen Burns and deceased members of the Burns and Butler families,

**Offertory Collections: Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> April:** €553 (includes returns from other Church areas). **Trocaire Collection to date:** €595.

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**Parish Office Opening Hours -Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 10am to 1pm.** Contact Bridie: 049 4334017.  
Email: [killeshandra@kilmorediocese.ie](mailto:killeshandra@kilmorediocese.ie) – Booking of Anniversary Masses, and notices for inclusion in Church Newsletter.