

St Brigid's Church Killeshandra
Church of the Immaculate Conception Coronea & Sacred Heart Church Arva
Church Newsletter Sunday 9th August 2026. Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Thought for the day: For the disciples with Mary's body literally gone and no burial site to visit, there was no physical reminder of Mary, only memories and, at times, an unexplainable presence. Many of us have met or know of persons who have experienced the loss of a loved one as a result of war, accident, violence or unknown circumstances and the body is never located. The feast of Mary's Assumption gives hope and consolation to them as they grieve and mourn the loss of their loved one, believing that the person is not lost or annihilated, but enjoys eternal life with their God who loves unconditionally.

Parish Pastoral Councils: As we prepare for the renewal of our Parish Pastoral Council this autumn, we continue our weekly series exploring the role, purpose and importance of the council in the life of our parish.

An Invitation: In the coming weeks, we will host information evenings about the Parish Pastoral Council. These gatherings will offer an opportunity to learn more about its role, to ask questions, and to hear what is involved in being part of it. They will be informal, welcoming, and open to all who are interested.

National Novena to Our Lady of Knock 13th – 21st August – See notice board for details.

August & September 2026 at Lough Derg – See notice board for details.

A talk titled - John McGahern 1934-2006. A look back twenty years after his death: will be given by Fr Liam Kelly in the Island Theatre, Ballinamore on Wednesday next, 12th August at 7.30pm. All are welcome.

St. Brigid's Church Killeshandra Eircode: H12 DD79

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Sunday 9th August	11.15am.	Anniv. Mary Ellen Masterson, Coragh, her son Laurence and her daughter Margaret. Anniv. James and Elizabeth Sweeney, Drumroosk, Killeshandra. Anniv. Aodh Dolan, San Francisco and Doireamchoill and Séamus Dolan, Deramfield, Milltown. Anniv. John and Anna McKiernan, Aughavadrin, their daughter Mary, their son Tony and deceased family members.
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Monday 10th August	7pm.	
Wednesday 12th August	5.30 – 8.30pm.	Eucharistic Adoration
Friday 14th August	7pm.	(Vigil) The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
Saturday 15th August	11.15am.	The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Sunday 16th August	11.15am.	Anniv. Margaret Burns and her parents, Owen and Annie Burns, Killagoan. Anniv. Tom and Rita Sheridan, Drumbess, Killeshandra.

Please remember in your prayers the following who died recently: Mary Catherine Kilmartin (née Fox), Mohill and formally of Derrindrehid, Killeshandra and Brendan Holland, England, father of Ann McClean, Drumgoa, Killeshandra. May they Rest in Peace.

Readers: Sunday 9th /16th August: Michael McGibney. **Offertory Collection: Sunday 2nd August: €825.**

Sacred Heart Church Arva Eircode: H12 RY96

Sunday 9th August	9.45am.	People of the Parish
Friday 14th August	10am.	Eucharistic Adoration after Mass.
Saturday 15th August	10am.	The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Sunday 16th August	9.45am.	Anniv. P.J. and Teresa Smith, Main Street, Arva. Anniv. Cathal and Philip Miney and deceased members of the Miney family. Anniv. Vincent, Tom and Annie Brady, Gurteen. Anniv. Pat McElroy, Farrangarve.

Please remember in your prayers the following: Noleen O'Hara (née Maguire), Drumcondra and Ballyconnell, wife of Nickie O'Hara, formerly Arva, who died recently. May he Rest in Peace.

Readers: Sunday 9th August: Eddie Ward. **Saturday 15th August - Feast of the Assumption:** Eva Brady.

Sunday 16th August: Michael Ellis. **Eucharistic Ministers: Sunday 9th August:** Áine Bannon, John Ryan and Olivia Brady. **Sunday 16th August:** Anne Kiernan, Teresa Lynch and Eileen McGlade. **Collection Counters – August:** Aisling Brady, Damien Miney and Michael Ellis. **Offertory Collection: Sunday 2nd August:** €686.90.

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

Daoine Beaga Pre-school Table Quiz: on Sunday 16th August at 8pm in the Breffni Arms Hotel in Arva. €10 per person, max 6 per team, with questions for all the family! An incredible amount of work has been done behind the scenes this summer to transform Cortober School with the help and support of so many people in the community, and we feel eternal gratitude to everyone who has helped in any way along this journey. We are on the home stretch now. Join us on Sunday 16th August for an evening of fun, trivia and one last sprint to the finish line to help Daoine Beaga pre-school open its doors to some of our community's youngest learners this year.

Church of the Immaculate Conception Coronea Eircode: H12 HN53

Saturday 8th August	7.30pm.	
Tuesday 11th August	10am.	
Friday 14th August	7.30pm.	(Vigil) The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Anniv. Tomás, Susan and Dolores Mulligan, Corr.
Saturday 15th August	7.30pm.	The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
Sunday 16th August	12.30pm.	Cemetery Sunday.

Offertory Collections: Saturday 1st August: €335. (includes returned envelopes from other Church areas).

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

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