

St Brigid's Church Killeshandra
Church of the Immaculate Conception Coronea & Sacred Heart Church Arva
Church Newsletter Sunday 13th September 2026. Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday Reflection: 'If he listens.....If he refuses to listen.....' Two frogs watched two elephants fighting in a conflict situation. "What is the issue at stake between the elephants", asked the frog. The other answered, "The issue is trivial". The fight is about the fact that one elephant feels his pride has been dented and his ego deflated. This was followed by an abusive argument and now this fight. The real problem is that elephants feel superior to the rest of us and find it hard to listen to each other in spite of their big ears. Remember the proverb, 'When elephants fight, even the grass suffers'. The frogs continued in conversation and remarked that humans are often like elephants when they have a dispute. They tend to abuse each other and then play power games in Law Courts. Finally, one frog remarked to the other "Maybe humans and elephants could learn a thing or two from us frogs in how we go about resolving our conflicts".

We understand that relating to another, unresolved personal hurts from the past and hidden agendas often emerge. However, we are dependent on one another as well as other creatures and God's environment for survival. We listen attentively to each other's point of view with our small ears and learn to compromise." Do you behave like an elephant or a frog in conflict situations?

Parish Pastoral Council: Over recent weeks, parishioners have been introduced through the parish newsletter to the role and importance of the Parish Pastoral Council. There will be 9 information evenings held in various locations throughout the Diocese and these will focus not only on membership of Parish Pastoral Councils but on wider parish life. ***Our Parish, Our Shared Mission:*** The life and mission of our parish belong to the whole faith community, and each person has gifts that can help our parish grow and thrive. The information evenings will explore the renewal of parish life, the role of the Parish Pastoral Council and other ways in which parishioners can become involved. ***Your Gifts Can Make a Difference:*** Parish renewal needs people of different ages, backgrounds, experiences and abilities who are willing to share their gifts. There are many ways to serve. Attending an information evening does not commit anyone to joining the Parish Pastoral Council. **Our information evening takes place on Tuesday 22nd September at 8pm in Carrigallen Community Centre.**

We warmly encourage you to come, listen, ask questions and consider how you might play a part in the future of our parish.

Annual Church Gate Collection for Saint Christopher Hospice Cavan Monaghan: taken up on Sunday last at St Brigid's Church raised €452. Thank you for your generosity and thanks also to the collector, John Mulligan and Gavin McDermott.

Church of the Immaculate Conception Coronea Centenary Mass: To mark the Centenary there will be a con-celebrated Mass with Bishop Martin Hayes as the main celebrant in Coronea Church on Sunday 27th September at 3pm. **Please note:** Due to this celebration and the fact that the Priests in our Parish are providing holiday cover for Carrigallen Parish on this weekend, there will be no evening Mass on Saturday 26th September in Coronea. This Mass will be transferred to the Church of the Sacred Heart, Arva at 7.30pm on Saturday 26th. Also, there will be **no** 9.45am Mass in Arva on Sunday 27th September.

Accord CLG is seeking an Executive Director who will be the chief executive officer of Accord CLG and be responsible for providing strategic and operational leadership across the organisation. The deadline for applications is 12 noon on Monday, 28 September 2026. For more information, visit www.forvismazars.com/ie/en/executiverecruitment

St. Brigid's Church Killeshandra Eircode: H12 DD79

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Sunday 13th September	11.15am.	Anniv. John Shannon, Clodrum, Killeshandra and deceased members of the Shannon family.
Monday 14th September	7pm.	Anniv: James and Alice O'Reilly, Drumconlester.
Wednesday 16th September	5.30 – 8.30pm.	Eucharistic Adoration
Friday 18th September	7pm.	Anniv. William and Catherine O'Reilly, Main Street and James and Mary Prunty, Smithboro.
Sunday 20th September	11.15am.	Anniv. Michael Comiskey, Railway Road. and Anniv. Dom, Nuala, Tim and Eamon Lynch, Killeshandra.

Readers: Sunday 13th September: Eamon Sexton. **Sunday 20th September:** Declan Reilly.

Offertory Collection: Sunday 6th September: €900. Adorers Contribution: €292.50. Holy Land Collection to date: €149.

Sacred Heart Church Arva Eircode: H12 RY96

Sunday 13th September	9.45am.	Anniv. Jack and Margaret McCabe, Corlespratten.
Friday 18th September	10am.	Eucharistic Adoration after Mass.
Sunday 20th September	9.45am.	Anniv. Grainne Ellis, Drumnawall. Anniv. Pat Lynch, Cormore.

NOTE TIME CHANGE Children's Rosary Sacred Heart Church: Will now take place on Tuesday evenings - 6.30pm. We welcome all children and adults to join us in this beautiful prayer.

Readers: Sunday 13th September: Mel Bouchier. **Sunday 20th September:** Edel Brady.

Eucharistic Ministers: Sunday 13th September: Áine Bannon, John Ryan and Olivia Brady. **Sunday 20th September:** Anne Kiernan, Teresa Lynch and Eileen McGlade.

Offertory Collection: Sunday 6th September: €1,154.70. Holy Land Collection to date: €190.

Church of the Immaculate Conception Coronea Eircode: H12 HN53

Saturday 12th September	7.30pm.	Anniv. Hugh and Brigid Duignan, Farranseer and deceased family members.
Tuesday 15th September	10am.	
Saturday 19th September	7.30pm.	Anniv. Mary Comiskey, Behey, Arva, her son Jim and deceased family members.

Bishop Martin Hayes will visit Corliss N.S and Coronea N.S on Wednesday 16th September. This completes the Bishops' Parish Visitation held earlier in the year on June 11th, when both schools were away on their school tour together.

Offertory Collections: Saturday 5th September: €490.

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

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