

Kilmurry Ibrickane Parish Newsletter

Sunday 28th December 2025

When there is a funeral in the Parish, there won't be any

10am Mass that day.

Masses for the week:

- **Monday 29th December @ 11am - Mary Donnellan Months Mind Mass in Mullagh Church**
- **Mass Tuesday 30th at 12 noon in Miltown Church**
- **Mass Wednesday 31st at 9.30am in Mullagh Church**
- **Mass Thursday 1st January – World Day of Prayer for Peace – 11am in Mullagh Church**
- **No Mass on Friday 2nd January.**

Christmas Mass times:

Christmas Eve 24th Dec

Coore 4.45pm - Miltown 7pm - Quilty 9.15pm - JP Downes Anniversary Mass

Christmas Day 25th Dec

Moy 9.15am - Mullagh 11am - Miltown 12.15pm

QUILTY CHURCH: Saturday 27th December at 7.15pm

Danny & Mary Montgomery

Patrick Burke & deceased members of the Burke & Kelly families

Paschal O'Dwyer

Patrick Galvin

COORE CHURCH: Sunday 28th December at 9.30am

Kitty (7th Anniversary) & John (27th Anniversary) Ryan

Marie Trickett 1st Anniversary

James Sexton

Hugh McGuane

Jonathan Micoud

Mary Tuttle, her parents & brothers Michael & Tommy & extended family members

MULLAGH CHURCH: Sunday 28th December at 11am

Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion

MULLAGH CHURCH: Monday 29th December at 11am

Mary Donnellan Months Mind

Mullagh Church: Saturday 3rd January at 12 noon

John Joe Clohessy 1st Anniversary

QUILTY CHURCH: Saturday 3rd January at 7.15pm

Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion (Rosary at 6.55pm)

COORE CHURCH: Sunday 4th January at 9.30am

Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion (Rosary at 9.05am)

MULLAGH CHURCH: Sunday 4th Jan at 11am – grouped anniversary mass

Meades Of Moloskey

MONTHS MIND MASS in Miltown Church for Chrissie O'Connor will be on Tuesday 6th January at 6.30pm.

WEEKEND 3rd & 4th January 2025

QUILTY CHURCH

Eucharistic Minister: Rita & Michael

Reader: Enda

Coore Church:

Eucharistic Minister: Blan Sexton

Sunday 28th Dec - Catherine Corry

4th January - Aine Sexton

11th January - Blan Sexton

18th January - Catherine Corry

25th January - Patricia McCarthy

Mullagh Church :

Eucharistic Minister: Mary McNamara & Eleanor O'Dwyer
Reader: Mary B O'Loughlin

GROUPED ANNIVERSARY MASSES IN OUR PARISH:

Quilty Church Saturday 27th December 2025 at 7.15pm
Coore Church Sunday 28th December 2025 at 9.30am
Mullagh Church Sunday 4th January 2026 at 11am
Please book anniversary Mass through Parish Office 0851872212 or email: office@kibparish.ie

KIB Parish Open Tuesday, Thursday & Friday from 9.15am to 2.45pm.
Facebook: Kilmurry Ibrickane Parish

Missionvale

Three students from St. Joseph's Secondary School Spanish Point, Jack Scullane, Emma Scullane & Ciara McGrath will travel to Missionvale South Africa on Feb 13th next year.

STAR OF THE SEA CHURCH, QUILTY

We recently put a new floor down in Star of the Sea Church Quilty, it will cost in the region of €15,000. We appeal to you for your support, please put your contribution in the envelopes marked "Quilty Church Repair" Fund and drop them into the basket. If you know anybody living abroad who have connections to Quilty. We ask you to inform them that we are fundraising for the Church.

Bank details: IBAN: ie03aibk93515810031026 BIC: aibk2d
Account Name: Bishop of Killaloe Mullagh Parish Account
Please use Quilty Church as reference.

On 2nd December we carpeted Star of the Sea Church in Quilty. The carpet will cost €4950 plus labour cost. We ask for your support.

A Christmas Message

We the Pastoral Council of KIB join together in wishing you a happy and holy Christmas. We rejoice with you if your Christmas is that happy time when one is surrounded by family and friends in a spirit of love.

We sympathise with you if your Christmas is a sad time. It can indeed be sad if you have lost a loved one during the year, if you are burdened by unemployment or by financial pressures, if you are hurt because of family tension, abuse of alcohol or loneliness.

We worry that the aggressive consumerism of today's world can add to the existing pressures on families and dim the real meaning of Christmas.

May Christ the Child be with us all this Christmas. Fr. Donagh, Caroline Kilmurry Ibrickane Parish Secretary, KIB Finance Committee and our three Church Sacristans – Anne, Enda and Ber would like to wish everyone a very Happy Christmas & New Year and to thank everyone for their kindness and support during the year.

The Parish Office will be closed for the Christmas Period, from Thursday 18th December at 3pm reopening on Tuesday 6th January at 9.30am.

SVP CHRISTMAS APPEAL

SVP reaches out locally, Kilmurry Ibrickane & Miltown Malbay area, to so many people in need during the Christmas Season if you would like to make a contribution, you may put it in the blue envelope in the porch and put it in the basket.

ST Vincent De Paul Church gate collections will take place on:

Quilty Church on Saturday 27th December at 7.15pm

Coore Church on Sunday 28th December at 9.30am

Miltown Church on Sunday 28th December at 12.15pm

Or you can make a contribution directly into

St. Anne's Conference SVP

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Keep 'Er Lit Run & Raffle 2025

The committee of Mullagh Sports Field and the BOM and staff of Mullagh National School would like to take this opportunity to sincerely thank everyone who made the "Keep 'Er Lit" run and raffle such a success. Thank you to the sponsors, volunteers, participants and supporters who helped make it a fantastic community event. We are delighted to announce that the fundraiser made a total of €4330. This will be split evenly between the playground fund and Mullagh N.S.

Coore Christmas Eve Carols and Nativity –

Our annual Carols and Nativity, with the children from Coore and the surrounding areas, takes place at 4.45 p.m. on Christmas Eve in Coore Church. The children will sing some Christmas Carols, starting before mass at 4.35 p.m., to spread some Christmas cheer.

Followed by acting out the Nativity during mass. This year our collection after mass will be in aid of Missionvale. Your generous support would be greatly appreciated for this very worthy cause.

Eucharistic Adoration will close for Christmas and resume on Wednesday 7th January at 10am - 6pm. Wishing all a very Happy Christmas. Maire Daly

OIDHREACHT AN CHLÁIR: Join us for a Night of Songs and Tunes on

Tuesday, December 30, 8pm – 10pm in Áras OaC, Flag Road, Miltown Malbay, with Claire Keville (concertina), Breda Keville (fiddle) and Emer O'Flaherty (songs), and Tim Dennehy as Fear an Ti. Join us at 7.00 pm for *deoch na Nollag*. Fáilte roimh chách. Admission free. Ár mbuiocháis le Scoil Samhráidh Willie Clancy as a dtacafocht.

FEELING OVERWHELMED? TAKE THE FIRST STEP TOWARD PEACE

OF MIND TODAY. Life can feel challenging, and sometimes we all need someone to talk to. Counselling provides a safe, confidential space to explore your feelings, manage stress, and find clarity. **Donna Marie Counselling** 089 211 6798

donnamariesolas@yahoo.com Sessions available in Ennis, or online.

The Clare Older People's Council will hold its Annual General Meeting (AGM) on Tuesday, 13th January 2026, from 2:00 – 4:00pm in the Civic Room, Buttermarket Building, Drumbiggle, Ennis, Co. Clare. Each nominee for the Clare Older People's Executive will have the opportunity to address the public before voting begins. There are 15 positions to be filled on the Executive Committee, representing the four Clare County Council municipal districts, as well as three additional representatives from nursing homes, new communities, and minority groups across Clare.

New members are very welcome. For more information, please contact Shanelle or Sandra at agefriendlyclare@clarecoco.ie or call 065 6846240". **KILMURRY IBRICKANE/NORTH CLARE** are holding there Annual St Stephens Day 5k Santa Fun Run and Walk at Miltown Malbay GAA Clubhouse starting at 11.00am Registration at Miltown Malbay GAA Clubhouse from 10.00am and some light refreshments .Entry FEE €10.00 per Individual and a Family Entry €20.00 Come dressed with your Santa Suit and Hat Contact James Sexton 087-2472623

CLARECARE IS HIRING! We're looking for Home Support Workers throughout Co. Clare. Make a difference every day – join our caring and dedicated team. Contact us today on 065 689 4209 or 086 7713229, email ncarroll@clarecare.ie or apply online: clarecare.ie/recruitment

KIB Sports Lotto: 22/12/25 No Jackpot Winner – 11,19,20,32 €100 Winner: Danny McCarthy, Seafield. €20 winners: Caroline Curtin, Miltown. Mary Clancy, Moyglass. ESA Donnellan, Finuremore. Tadgh Dooley, Doonagan. Nicole Brennan, Kilmihil. Next draw: Dalys on 29/12/2025 Next Jackpot €13,200.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS: AA meeting in the Band Room at the back of Miltown Malbay Church on Sundays at 11am. AA members are welcome.

Christmas Day Swim will take place at the White Strand, Doonbeg at 11am. Prizes on the day for the best novelty costume for adult, teenager and child. Money raised going to Laura Lynn and Doonbeg Playground Group.

Give Hope This Christmas with Double the Love: Mary's Meals provides life-changing school meals to more than 3 million children living in some of the world's poorest communities. The promise of a good meal brings hungry children into the classroom, where they can gain an education and better opportunities for the future. It costs just €22 to feed a child with Mary's Meals every day for a school year. One meal costs just 11 cents. Thanks to the Tom Cunningham Trust, donations will be doubled until 12th January 2026 or until the match funding limit has been reached. Together, through Double the Love, we can transform the lives of many more desperately hungry children waiting for Mary's Meals. To donate, go to www.marysmeals.ie or phone 01 853 5163. Every donation is greatly appreciated. Thank you.

GROW MENTAL HEALTH- Friendly Community based groups for anyone experiencing mental health issues by empowering people to nurture their positive wellbeing by supporting personal growth through education, peer support and self-teaching. Ennis Meeting: Maria Assumpta Hall. Monday 7.30pm/Tuesday 2pm. Contact Celia 086-1526966/grow.ie

Clonbony GAA Table Quiz

Sunday 28th Dec at 8pm sharp in McCarthys Bar, Clounlaheen.
€30 per team of 3. Raffle on the night. All support greatly appreciated!

REFLECTION

A Christmas Prayer

Source of Divine Light, Emmanuel, God with us,

Your radiant love illuminated our waiting world

With the surprise of your Bethlehem birth.

Each year since then we celebrate this astonishing event, rejoicing in your coming anew, not as a newborn Babe, but as a hidden presence of divinity contained within each of us. To our great astonishment, we have become your dwelling place.

We are now your Bethlehem

Now you are Treasure birthed in the secret place of our soul.

Now you are Light gleaming through our gestures of generosity.

Now you are Hope radiating inside the core of our courage.

Now you are Joy shining into the dark caves of our gloom.

Now you are Peace glowing quietly in the crevice of our anxiety.

Now you are Love brilliantly reflected within our kindness.

O Christ, Light of all lights, Star of all stars, dweller within these human homes of ours, open our wandering minds and hesitant hearts So your endless goodness radiates more completely in us.

We welcome you again and again, with gratitude and trust, not only in this Christmas season of remembrance and celebration but all through the New Year that awaits us.

-Joyce Rupp

MAY YOU ALWAYS HAVE AN ANGEL BY YOUR SIDE

May you always have an angel by your side

Watching out for you in all the things you do

Reminding you to keep believing in brighter days

Finding ways for your wishes and dreams

to take you to beautiful places

Giving you hope that is as certain as the sun

Giving you the strength of serenity as your guide

May you always have love and comfort and courage

And may you always have an angel by your side