

## Kilmurry Ibrickane Parish Newsletter

Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> December 2025

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

#### 10am Mass that day.

#### Masses for the week:

Community Liturgy – Monday at 10am

Mullagh - Mass Tuesday at 9.30am & Wednesday at 9.30am

Miltown - Mass on Thursday at 6pm and Friday at 10am

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

**COORE CHURCH:** Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> December at 9.30am

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

**MULLAGH CHURCH:** Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> December at 11am

Mary Morrissey 1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary Mass

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Philomena O'Doherty 1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary & Joseph O'Doherty

#### Christmas Mass times:

#### Christmas Eve 24<sup>th</sup> Dec

Coore 4.45pm

Miltown 7pm

Quilty 9.15pm - JP Downes

#### Christmas Day 25<sup>th</sup> Dec

Moy 9.15am

Mullagh 11am

Miltown 12.15pm

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#### WEEKEND 20<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> December 2025

#### QUILTY CHURCH

Eucharistic Minister: Beatrice & Carmel  
Reader: John

#### Coore Church:

Eucharistic Minister: Mary Nugent  
Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> Dec- Blan Sexton  
Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> Dec – Aine Sexton  
Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> Dec - Catherine Corry

Mullagh Church :

Eucharistic Minister:  
Reader: John Joe Hassett

#### GROUPED ANNIVERSARY MASSES IN OUR PARISH:

Quilty Church Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> December 2025 at 7.15pm

Coore Church Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> December 2025 at 9.30am

Mullagh Church Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> 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

#### Date for your Diary

Kilmurry Ibrickane Annual Senior Citizens Christmas Party will be take place in the Quilty Tavern on Sunday 14th December @12 starting with Mass Cost: €15 Contact Loretta (087) 765 0199 Connie (087) 944 6374. A Great Day is Promised

#### 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: aibkie2d

Account Name: Bishop of Killaloe Mullagh Parish Account

Please use Quilty Church as reference.

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

#### HUGE CONGRATULATIONS TO NOREEN

We are delighted to congratulate Noreen Kelleher on being awarded the Cross of Merit of the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem for her great work for the Order.

The Order is specially commissioned by the Holy Father to support the Christians and the Christian institutions in the Holy Land. Through member contributions the Order contributes approximately €350,000 annually to this cause being part of the €20 million contributed each year effectively underwriting the greater part of the expenses of the schools, orphanages, homes and community welfare of the small Christian community in the Holy Land.

Noreen has provided support services over the past 8 years. His Excellency Peter Durnin, Lieutenant in Ireland, being aware of her great work on behalf of the Order commended her work to the highest authority and His Eminence Cardinal Fernando Filoni the Grand Master appointed by the Pope to run the Order has personally awarded the Cross of Merit of the Order to Noreen. This is an honour bestowed only 4 times in the Irish Lieutenancy's 40 years and is highly valued internationally.

We welcome you to join us for Mass on Saturday 13th December at 7.15pm at Star of the Sea Church Quilty when Noreen will be presented with the Cross of Merit Award.

#### 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 27<sup>th</sup> December at 7.15pm

Coore Church on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> December at 9.30am

Miltown Church on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> December at 12.15pm

Or you can make a contribution directly into

St. Anne's Conference SVDP

BIC: BOFIIE2DXXX

IBAN: IE93BOFI90433392861464

**'KEEP 'ER LIT' RUN on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2025 in Aid of Mullagh Sports field & Mullagh N.S. Prizes for best lit up Vehicles. Tractors, Lorries, Vans, Cars, Motor Bikes, Vintage Cars, Rally Cars all welcome! Registration from 5.30pm on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December at Mullagh Sportsfield –**

**'KEEP 'ER LIT' RUN starting at 7pm sharp. €20 registration per vehicle!**

**Kids light up tractor run at 6.15pm! Activities for kids, face painting and lots more entertainment and surprises on the night! Tea and coffee and goodies for all!**

#### 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.

#### Coore Graveyard Committee:-

As 2025 comes to a close, we would like to give an update on the work that was carried out during the year at Coore Graveyard following on from last year's Christmas Eve church collection.

Pathways and the boundary wall have been power washed.

Church has been power washed

Waste bins have been put in place to collect any old wreaths and ornaments from graves.

The large trees that were hanging over the back graves have been cut down.

A section at the back of the church which had a deep opening has been filled in, making it safer for everyone

Next year the committee would like to carry out the following work.

• Replace a large section of pathway on the left side of the church leading to the graves.

• Paint the boundary wall.

• Have a big clean up again early spring which will include painting, hedge cutting and general clean up

The Committee would like to thank everyone that helped and supported our graveyard during the year.

**SYMPATHY:** We offer our sympathy and prayers to the family of Nancy Minogue, Miltown Malbay. Rest in peace Nancy.

**BAPTISM:** We welcome into God's family and our Community Jimmy Patrick Murrihy baptised in our Parish recently.

**COMMUNITY COFFEE MORNING** that runs each Friday in the Community Centre in Miltown Malbay from 10.30 to 11.30. The coffee morning is open to anyone to attend and particularly to those in our community who are in need of social interaction in a warm and welcoming environment. On December 19th, we are holding our annual festive coffee morning. There will be mince pies and other goodies as well as carol singing etc. All welcome.

**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](mailto:agefriendlyclare@clarecoco.ie) or call 065 6846240".

**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](mailto:ncarroll@clarecare.ie) or apply online: [clarecare.ie/recruitment](http://clarecare.ie/recruitment)

**KIB Sports Lotto:** 08/12/25 No Jackpot Winner – 14,19,22,32 €100 Winner: Rita Egan, Inagh. €20 winners: Joe sexton, Mullagh. Ann Galvin, Quilty. Marie Donnellan, Kilrush. Svitlana Drake c/o Beatrice. Gabrielle McGuire, Miltown. Next draw: Moroneys on 15/12/2025 Next Jackpot €12,800.

**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.

#### REFLECTION

Jesus, are you the one? It is hardly surprising that people missed your coming when even John the Baptist wasn't sure.

They were expecting such a different kind of messiah. The unmistakable kind. Chauffeur-driven, on a VIP throne, with a gold chain. How could anyone be expected to know who you were when you came in at the back, looking ordinary?

There were plenty who did recognise you, of course: the blind man who cried, 'Son of David, have pity!' the disturbed one who screamed, 'Stay away!' the woman who touched the hem of your coat, the folk who knew you from the soup run. But are you the one, Jesus? We still have to ask. In a world of paths and promises, how can we be sure? Your reply is your work amongst the sick and oppressed. 'Decide for yourselves!' you say – as if it isn't the doctrines, or even the miracles, but the company you keep and the priorities you hold, and the kingdom of possibilities and joy you unpack amid our ordinariness.

So help us to be on the look-out for your coming, as the people and events crowd in. Open our eyes to see you in the guise of friend and stranger. Whatever the path, wherever the place, however you come to us, may there be recognition. And joyous welcoming.

#### CHRISTMAS BINGO

**Will be on Tuesday 16th December at 8.30pm in Miltown Community Centre. Spot Prizes on the night!! €2000 pro rata. All are welcome All proceeds to Kilmurry Ibrickane Parish Fund & Kilmurry Ibrickane Ladies Club**

#### GET THEM BEFORE THEY'RE GONE!

**Tickets €30 (Cash only) for Michael English are on sale on Friday 19th December from 6pm in Mullagh Sportsfield for the Keep 'er Lit Run, from Quilty Post Office and KIB Parish Office. Get you ticket online from:**

<https://www.universe.com/events/michael-english-church-concert-st-marys-church-mullagh-clare-tickets-DKNF4T?ref=universe-discover>  
or from [www.michaelenglish.ie](http://www.michaelenglish.ie)

**The perfect Christmas present for that someone special!!**

• **KIB Defibrillator** 999 or 112 **SAMARITANS** 116 123

• **Local SVDP St. Annes Conference** - 086 2168749 – Email:[mwsvp2021@gmail.com](mailto:mwsvp2021@gmail.com)

• **GA MEETING:** A meeting of Gamblers Anonymous takes place every Thursday from 7.30pm to 8.30pm in Clarecare, Harmony Row, Ennis.

• **WEST CLARE MENTAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION:** 085 8559511 email:[westclaremha@mentalhealthireland.ie](mailto:westclaremha@mentalhealthireland.ie)

• **WEST CLARE CANCER CENTRE** 0659060762 email [westclarecancercentre@gmail.com](mailto:westclarecancercentre@gmail.com) or social media.

• **PietaCrisis 1800 247 247 Bereavement 0858568081**

• **SLAINTE AN CHLÁIR CLARE CANCER SUPPORT** : (087) 6912396 E-mail: [admin@clarecancersupport.com](mailto:admin@clarecancersupport.com)

• **Yourmentalhealth.ie** – 1800111888 Drugs.ie – 1800 459 459

#### Críocha Callan Cluster

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