

PARISH OF KILMORE

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Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time 27 September 2020

Readings Ex 18:25-28, Psalm 24:4-9, Phil 2:1-11, Gospel Mt 21:28-32

Dear Parishioners

I would like to assure you that you are all in my private Masses and prayers at this very difficult time. Let us adhere to the medical advice regarding the Corona Virus and keep safe. I am celebrating Mass for special intentions. If you would like to avail of this please contact me at the Parochial House.

I encourage those parishioners who are availing of our service of e-mailing weekly bulletins to communicate their content by telephone or text to those parishioners who either do not have e-mail or have not requested bulletins via e-mail. Parishioners who would like to be included in this method of receiving the weekly bulletin should e-mail either of the following e-mail addresses – oliverybrennan@eircom.net OR parishofkilmore@g.mail.com Please keep safe. *Father Oliver*

MASSES Mullavilly 10.00 am Sunday Stonebridge 7.00 pm Saturday 11.15 am Sunday
Sunday Mass will be streamed live from St Patrick's Church Stonebridge on Saturdays at 7.00 pm and on Sundays at 11.15 am. This is the link to the webcam - <https://kilmoreparish.onlinemass.org>

ANNIVERSARIES

7.00 pm	26 Sept	Mairead McConville
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10.00 am	27 Sept	Mary McGrane
11.15 am	27 Sept	Mary Eggleton
10.00 am	04 Oct	Albert and Bridget Farnley
11.15 am	04 Oct	Jim Hughes

MULLAVILLY ALTAR SOCIETY Oct 04/11 Rose Cunningham and Family

I am most grateful to our many parishioners who are returning weekly and Parish Dues envelopes to the Parochial House or making donations in other ways, eg, bank transfer, 'Easy Payment Plus', etc. As we make a gradual return to normal Church services baskets for the collection of donations will be provided at Church entrances during Masses.

Envelopes may still be returned directly to the Parochial House. *Father Oliver*

ST PATRICK'S CHURCH STONEBRIDGE

A significant increase in volunteer stewards and sanitisers for week-end Masses/liturgies is urgently required – otherwise weekend Masses may have to be postponed until we meet appropriate safety requirements.

FACEMASKS – The Irish Bishops' Conference and Archbishop Eamon Martin strongly advise that parishioners wear facemasks at all Masses and all other liturgical celebrations.

APOSTOLIC WORKERS' COLLECTION This weekend (26/27 September) outside both churches

Congratulations to the children from St Oliver Plunkett's Primary School who received their First Holy Communion on Saturday

REOPENING OF PARISH CHURCHES

People attending our first Masses on the re-opening of our Churches may find arrangements somewhat unusual when entering the Church. Ushers will meet you at the door to guide you to your seats and also to guide you as you approach the altar for Holy Communion. Civil and Church regulations –

- Carpet cleaner (once-off)
- E-sprayer/defogger (once-off)
- Toilets out of use
- No altar servers
- No Ministers of the Word/Eucharist
- No sign of peace
- No Sunday Mass leaflet
- Collection of money – basket at church entrance
- No offertory procession
- No choir
- No homily
- When the church is full to capacity, parishioners will be accommodated in the Parish Pastoral Centre with audio/visual to the webcam
- Bookings for anniversaries/baptisms/weddings via telephone or through the letter box at the Parochial House (Can meet parishioners if they are outside and observing social distance).

Please ensure that you take home all belongings – otherwise they will be disposed of.

Funeral Liturgies For the time being, BUT SUBJECT TO DAILY REVIEW, the following guidelines should be followed –

Requiem Masses or other funeral services within the church building may proceed for now but physical participation must be limited to immediate family only, ie a very small gathering for any funeral liturgy taking place inside a church or at the graveside with appropriate social distancing. In the case of death from COVID19, specific arrangements will apply as communicated by the health authority via funeral directors.

All local council/funeral director guidance re participation at gravesides should be followed carefully. Priests should advise funeral directors that a 'house /funeral private' notice be inserted in notices. Pastoral support to bereaved families should be offered by telephone and priests should not attend gatherings of people at wake houses. Priests continue to offer Mass privately for the deceased.

Pastoral care of the sick

Routine pastoral visits to the sick by clergy, extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist, etc should be SUSPENDED. All such visits including First Fridays should be replaced with pastoral support through phone calls, texts, e-mail, etc where the person has agreed to this. Routine nursing home visits are also suspended and any emergency visits should only take place following consultation beforehand and in strict adherence to the guidelines of the nursing home authorities. Clergy and pastoral workers must not visit hospitals at this time. If families would like their loved one in hospital to be attended to, they should ask the nursing staff to contact the chaplain on call. In the case of danger of death at home, priests must enquire if the person is suffering from Covid-19. There must be no pastoral visits of any kind to those suspected of, or who are carrying, Covid-19 or to any person or family who are self-isolating at home following public health agency advice.

FACEBOOK The link to the Parish Facebook page is Kilmore Parish – Stonebridge and Mullavilly

Weekend Collection Mullavilly 20 Sept £260.00 Stonebridge 19/20 Sept £602.10

Archbishop Martin has asked for all families to pray the Rosary in their own homes during October as protection against the Corona Virus.