



Offertory Collection

May 30th: €1010

June 6th: €1300 and Building Fund €1220 (This amount only reflects money collected at mass and does not include what people have donated online or by standing order) As always, Thank you for your generosity.



Recent Baptisms

Welcome to our Christian Community baby Lewis Sean Gammon, Keelnacrannagh. Lewis was the first baby baptised since lockdown !

Thanks Ms Ross.

Jennifer Ross has prepared the children of Kilcolman National School for First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion for many years as well as being a key member of staff. As she prepares to retire from teaching, we wish her a long and healthy retirement and we are grateful for her dedication and kindness to so many children during her career.

Remembering those in our cemeteries

Government restrictions imposed as a result of Covid19 mean that we are unable to hold our annual Masses for those buried in our parish cemeteries again this year. However, we will come together in prayer.

On Tuesday June 29th, at 7.30pm, you are invited to join in online in a time of prayer and remembrance for all who are buried in the cemeteries across our parish. This prayer time will not have a congregation in church but it will be live streamed on the parish Facebook Page. We will pray, we will listen to the Word of God, we will sing hymns, and we will remember.

During the prayer time, we will display a collage of images to help us be mindful of those who have died. You are invited to send in a photo of a grave or graves, or photos of loved ones. Please send these to parishassembly@enniskeaneparish.ie before Wed June 23rd. (If you sent an image last year and want us to use the same image this year, you don't need to resend the image but do let us know you want it included. Just send an email.)

You are free to visit the graves at any other time. Please do not gather at the graves that evening

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Churches at Ahiohill, Castletown Kinneigh and Enniskeane

13th June 2021

Planning ahead

It's great that we are back at Mass – though with reduced numbers and without choirs. It's partial progress. We all long for the day when we can all relax and be closer together as a community again.

Baptisms are going ahead – with restrictions. See info on parish website. Marriages in church can also go ahead now with 50 guests in church.

The government has also recently announced that the postponed sacraments for children can recommence from July 5th. However ...

Last year's sixth class from Enniskeane School are yet to be Confirmed. This year's Sixth class are also waiting to celebrate the same sacrament. They will have to be held on separate days. And they will need to be prepared for it and the ceremonies rehearsed. But we can't bring lots of young people who are now in different schools together – not least because most of them are on holidays now.

We have children in four schools waiting to celebrate First Reconciliation (Confession). Again, they cannot be brought together in church for one ceremony as we have done.

The same challenges apply to their next step – First Holy Communion. These milestone moments are prepared for by parents, schools and parish working together across an entire year.

This parish has been doing this very well pre-Covid. We cannot rush through all that now in a week or two.

As well as this, the remaining days of school are packed with activities and farewells to staff who are leaving. It's not reasonable to plan for all this work during the school holidays. We are all grateful for the extra work which our teachers have put in this year to ensure that the children have been kept safe, happy and up-to-date with their learning. Everyone needs and deserves a break now.

So when the schools have settled back in the autumn and we will have a less restricted environment, please God, we'll put together a plan to prepare and celebrate these moments fully.

Office Opening Hours

From June 20th onwards the parish office opening hours will be changed. Thurs 9:30am-1:00pm and 2pm-5:30pm will be unchanged but the office will be closed on a Tues. The office will be open instead on Fri mornings from 9:30am-1:00pm. You may still use the online donate button to order mass cards online.

Thought for the day

"Your life becomes a masterpiece when you learn to master the peace"

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