

Offertory Collection

Nov 21st: €1070 (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.

Christmas Mass Bouquets

Christmas mass bouquets are now available in the parish office or online using the donate button on the parish website.

December Collector Rota for Castletown

Jim Chambers. Noel Crowley , Jimmy Nyhan.

We are very grateful to those who continue to help with the collection rota, and would very much appreciate more help.

Thought for the day

When it rains, look for the rainbows; when it is dark, look for the stars. If you don't sacrifice for what you want, what you want becomes the sacrifice. Without rain, nothing grows. Learn to embrace the storm of your life.

COVID-19 Support Line for Older People

ALONE manage a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to COVID-19 (Coronavirus). Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open seven days a week, 8.00am - 8.00pm, by calling 0818 222 024.

Medjugorje Irish Centre Pilgrimages April - Oct 2022:

7 Nights Apartment B&B and return Airport transfer from Dubrovnik or Split from €315 per person sharing. Guaranteed Airport transfer price for any flight. Contact us for details and book the dates that suit you.

Tel. 01 4434510 or email reservations@ med-irishcentre.com

First Friday Calls

The sick and elderly will be visited with the Blessed Sacrament on Thurs 2nd of Dec only. Those that normally get a visited on Friday will be visited on Thursday morning and then the others on Thursday afternoon as usual.

FR. Tom Hayes PP, Parochial House, Enniskeane. 023-8847769 / 087-9311472 (Calls only)

Email parishpriest@enniskeaneparish.ie (Off-duty Wed)

Parish Office: Tues 9:30am - 1pm; Thurs 9.30am - 1:00pm, 2pm - 5:30pm; Fri 9:30am - 1pm. Tel 023 8847769 Email: parishoffice@enniskeaneparish.ie Contacts: safeguarding@enniskeaneparish.ie & parishassembly@enniskeaneparish.ie

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Churches at Ahiohill, Castletown Kinneigh and Enniskeane

28th Nov 2021

Mass times

Tines of Mass in the parish: Saturday 7.30pm at Ahiohill Church Sunday 10am at Castletown Kinneigh Sunday 11.30am at Enniskeane (live streamed)

Morning Mass

Morning mass on Mon and Tues this week will be held in St. Joseph's Church in Castletown as the works in Enniskeane Church are not complete.

Ecumenical Carol Service

This year we again have to have our traditional ecumenical carol service online. The carol service will be available on the Facebook pages of all three parish communities. This service will take place on Friday Dec 17th at 7:30pm.

Pioneers

Congratulations to local members of the Pioneer Total Abstinence Association who were presented with significant membership certificates and pins at Mass last weekend at St. Joseph's Church, Castletown Kinneigh.

Denis Nyhan, The Paddock, received a silver pin for his 25th year.

Gold pins to mark their 50 years as pioneers were presented to John McCarthy, Moneycrohy, Felix O'Neill, Ballyvolane, Dan O'Mahony, Ahiohill and Tom and Nellie Nyhan, The Paddock.

Advent

This Sunday is the first Sunday of Advent and the first of the Christian calendar's new year. During Advent, our thoughts and prayers turn to spiritual readiness for two events: the return of Jesus at the Last Day, and our celebration of his first coming at Christmas time.

The readings at Mass for the first two weeks of Advent are mostly concerned with prompting us to be ready for the Lord's return. The readings during the second half of Advent concentrate more on the preparations of the People of God for the Birth of the Messiah.

It's good to take a time for us to reflect on the quality of our lives. If the end of the world were tomorrow, how ready am I? What have I put off doing? How weighed down is my long finger with things I should be sorting today? The progressive lighting of the candles on the Advent Wreath in church and at home are a prayerful reminder to us to prepare the way of the Lord. Let his light take over the darkness in our world and in our lives.

Our parish has kept alight and fanned the rays of light and hope as we navigate Covid19. May those rays of light continue to glow in us all.

