

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

Kiltoom masses live streamed on www.churchservices.tv/kiltoom and www.KiltoomParish.com

Saturday 18th December	Kiltoom 7pm	Pat, Kitty & Tom Quinn
Sunday 19th December	Curraghboy 10am	For all who need the gift of our prayers & all our frontline workers.
Sunday 19th December	Kiltoom 11.30am	Mary Carthy
Tuesday 21st December	Curraghboy 7pm	Mary Murray
Wednesday 22nd December	Kiltoom 9.30am	Seán McGorisk & deceased Family members
Thursday 23rd December	Kiltoom 9.30am	Sick Intention
Friday 24th December	Curraghboy 5pm	People of the Parish
Friday 24th December	Kiltoom 6.30pm	People of the Parish
Friday 24th December	Kiltoom 8pm	People of the Parish
Saturday 25th December	Curraghboy 10am	People of the Parish
Saturday 25th December	Kiltoom 11.30am	People of the Parish
Sunday 26th December	Curraghboy 10am	Patrick Burke
Sunday 26th December	Kiltoom 11.30am	Patrick & Mary Cunningham



PARISH OFFICE



Will be closed from Thursday 23rd December, reopening on Tuesday 4th January
Notices for the newsletter must be in by 10am on Wednesday 22nd December.

Wishing you all a lovely Christmas & New Year

NOTICE REGARDING CHRISTMAS MASSES



We invite households to arrive and sit together

We ask you to follow the guidance of the Stewards at all times.

Facemasks must be worn by all people attending mass

(exception for those unable to wear for medical reasons and those under 9)

RECENT DEATHS

Please pray for the souls of

Tommy Mullin, Athlone. *Brother of Carmel Nally, Ballybay*

Peter Kenny, Carnagh, Kiltoom



God grant them eternal rest & comfort, and console their bereaved family & friends.

PARISH OF KILTOOM & CAM

Church of the Risen Christ,
Ballybay
Kiltoom
Athlone
Co. Roscommon
N37 NY36

St. Brigid's Church **FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT**
Curraghboy
Athlone
Co. Roscommon **19th December 2021**
N37 KV62

Parish Newsletter

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Our Parish on-line

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Masses live streamed: churchservices.tv/kiltoom

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CHRISTMAS MESSAGE FROM BISHOP KEVIN

“As Christmas approaches and 2021 draws to a close, I want to offer my condolences to all who have lost family members or friends in the past year, and to those who have suffered other kinds of loss. I take this opportunity to say a word of thanks to our priests, our deacons and to the sisters working in the Diocese and to all the many parish volunteers who have given so generously of their time. I wish you and your families every blessing for Christmas and the coming year. God bless you all”. Read and listen to Bishop Kevin’s Christmas message in full at www.elphindiocese.ie

HOLY HOUR: Thank you to everyone who attended our Holy Hour on Wednesday last.

AREA DISTRIBUTORS: Thank you to our area distributors who continue to distribute the annual boxes and envelopes. December envelopes and calendars are available from the Sacristy after masses.

HUGE THANK YOU: To all our volunteer Stewards and Cleaners for all the work they put in keeping our Churches safe and clean.

THANK YOU: Sincere thank you to all who continue to return weekly envelopes. I am most grateful for your generosity, support and help.

LIGHT A CANDLE FOR A SPECIAL INTENTION: If you would like a candle lit for a special intention, we can now facilitate your request. We have 3 day burning candles at a cost of €5 per candle. As the parish office is closed to the public, you can place your name, mobile number and your intention on a sheet of paper and place it, in an envelope with the €5 for the candle. These can be then put through the letterbox of the Parochial House, Kiltoom. The Candles will be lit and placed in the Church of the Risen Christ for the duration of the lit candles.

CHRISTMAS WREATHS/ARRANGEMENTS will be available for Sale at Cam Cemetery on Sunday 19th December from 12 noon to 3pm. All proceeds go to support Cam Cemetery Committee.

TIDY TOWNS: Curraghboy has increased its mark by 4 points in this years National Tidy Towns Competition. A Big Thank to you all for your support. The Report on Curraghboy village can be read on Tidy Towns.ie/Reports.

ST. BRIGID’S LOTTO: Lotto Jackpot this weekend €7,000 Last weeks results: Numbers Drawn— 13 / 20 / 22 / 28. There was no jackpot winner, 4 match three winners €50 each. Draw takes place Sunday night 19/12/21 in St. Brigid’s Clubhouse at 9pm.

CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT – KNOCK BASILICA: We are delighted to bring you our ‘Carols By Candlelight’ performance from Knock Basilica, taking place on Sunday 19th December at 8pm. Lift your spirits and spark the joy of Christmas with loved ones with ‘Carols by Candlelight’, performed against the soft glow of candlelight in the breath-taking surrounds of Knock Basilica. Featuring the Schola Cantorum Basilicae, the Knock Basilica Choir, together with the ConTempo String Quartet and Organist Mark Keane. The carol service will be streamed live to the world on our website www.knockshrine.ie/watch-live It is not necessary to book in order to attend the Carol Service, attendance will be on a first-come, first-served basis with ushers present to assist.

ALONE 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). If you or someone you know needs support this Christmas, please call our National Support and Referral Line on 0818 222 024 from 8am – 8pm, seven days a week. ALONE operates 365 days a year so we will be there to take your call when you need us most.

UPDATE ON GOVERNMENT RESTRICTIONS / ADVICE from Friday 22nd October 2021

Even with the restrictions now lifted and with the social distancing still in place both of our Churches are still restricted to 50% capacity, therefore a maximum of 130 people can attend and social distancing will still be in effect.

The front door and the back door will open for entrance for mass. All doors will be open as you leave the church after mass.

Face masks **MUST** be worn (with the exception for medical reasons)

We encourage you to sanitise your hands on entering and leaving the Church. Please observe and follow the direction of the Stewards.

PARISH OF KILTOOM & CAM CHRISTMAS MASSES



CHRISTMAS EVE Friday 24th December

5.00pm	St Brigid’s Church, Curraghboy
6.30pm	The Church of The Risen Christ, Kiltoom
8.00pm	The Church of The Risen Christ, Kiltoom

CHRISTMAS DAY Saturday 25th December

10.00am	St Brigid’s Church, Curraghboy
11.30am	The Church of the Risen Christ, Kiltoom.

THERE WILL BE NO 7PM MASS ON CHRISTMAS DAY

ST. STEPHEN’S DAY THE FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY Sunday 26th December

10.00am	St Brigid’s Church, Curraghboy
11.30am	The Church of the Risen Christ, Kiltoom.

Masses from The Church of The Risen Christ can be viewed online from the Parish website (www.Kiltoomparish.com) or from www.churchservices.tv/kiltoom

CHRISTMAS CONFESSIONS Ss. Deter & Pauls Church, Athlone

Saturday 18th December	from 10am–1pm
Friday 24th December	from 10am–1pm

