LAY MINISTRY FOR SEPTEMBER 2025

Eucharist Ministers

St Mary's Church: Saturday Vigil 6.30 pm. Anne McKenna

Sunday 9.30 am Eileen Leadon

St Joseph's Church: Sunday 11.30 am Briege McCrory/Vincent Ruddy

Collectors

St Mary's Church: Saturday Vigil 6.30 pm. Jason Lagan/Thomas Loughran

Sunday 9.30 am. Louis Lennon/Pat Wilson

St Joseph's Church: Sunday 11.30 am Liam Hughes/Mark McMenamin

Readers

St Mary's Church: Saturday Vigil 6.30 pm. Gerard Quinn

Sunday 9.30 am. Donna McCrory

St Joseph's Church: Sunday 11.30 am Geraldine Kelly

Altar Societies

St Mary's Church: Eithne Donnelly/Eileen Keenan/Caroline Kelly

St Joseph's Church: Julie McNally/Seamus McNally

Anyone who cannot fulfil their ministry should contact Fr Hughes.

PARISH WEBSITE

Visit the <u>Latest News</u> section of our Parish Website (www.kildressparish.co. uk) for details of forthcoming Diocesan events/courses which may be of interest to you including:

- "Daisy Dander" Gosford Forest Park 27th September 2025
- Trócaire's Gifts of Change, Christmas Initiative

SOME USEFUL PHONE NUMBERS

SAMARITANS: 028 25650000 and 08457909090 (Freephone 116123 from any phone)

RELATE (Marriage counselling): 08702426091

CRUISE (Bereavement support): 08444779400 COOKSTOWN COMMUNITY CANCER CARE: 028 867 66111

AWARE (Help defeat depression): 0845 1202961 ACCORD (Pre-Marriage Courses): 028 38334781

PIPS PROJECT (Suicide awareness): 07876552046 and 07789797483

LIFELINE (For those in despair): 0808 808 8000 ST VINCENT DE PAUL: 028 867 69400

LILAC CANCER SUPPORT: 028 8774 6600 / 028 867 66866 ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS (028 90434848)

NEXT BULLETIN

Next bulletin will be 27th/28th September 2025. If there is something you wish to have included in that bulletin please ring 028 867 51857 by Wednesday 24th September 2025. Inclusion of anything offered after that date cannot be guaranteed.

KILDRESS PARISH BULLETIN



21st September 2025

Twenty-Fifth Sunday In Ordinary Time



Dear Parishioner and Gentle Reader,

In today's Gospel Jesus tells an unusual parable: a manager is about to get fired by his boss because he has failed to make enough profit. He is dismissed, but before he goes, he must submit his final accounts. This gives him some time to plan his future. Because he is a smart operator, he tells each debtor to falsify their bills so in effect their debts are reduced. In this way he wins himself a number of friends and safeguards his own future. The man is praised, not for his dishonesty, but for his cuteness - for having the foresight to secure his own future. If he looked after the boys, the boys will look after him!

Jesus makes the point that if the people of this world are looking to their material future, then his followers should be looking to their spiritual future. We should be using all our gifts, including money, not just for our own benefit, but for the benefit of others, so that, in the words of Jesus, those with whom we have shared "will welcome us into the tents of eternity" (Luke 16:9).

Each of us could write a short history about our money: "Here it is. There it goes".

Jesus is suggesting that we use money wisely and one way of doing that is to give it to the poor. Those who receive it may become our friends in this life but more importantly, they will, one day, welcome us into the kingdom of heaven:

"You are the caller; you are the poor,
you are the stranger at my door.
You are the wanderer, the unfed,
you are the homeless with no bed.
You are the man driven insane,
you are the child crying in pain.
You are the one who comes to me.
If I open to another, God is born in me." (David Adam)

With every blessing, Monsignor Colum.

PARISH PRIEST CONTACT DETAILS

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Email: kildressparish@outlook.com

COLLECTION BANKED FOR LAST WEEKEND

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TELEPHONE NUMBERS FOR OTHER PRIESTS IN OUR PASTORAL AREA

Monsignor Curry (Lissan) 028 867 63674 email: columcurry@yahoo.com
Fr Boyle (Cookstown): 028 867 63370 Fr Francis Coll (Coagh): 028 867 37212 Fr Moore (Pomeroy) 028 877 57867

WEEKDAY MASSES (22nd - 26th September 2025)

St Joseph's, Killeenan

Monday, Wednesday: 9.30 am

St Mary's, Dunamore

Tuesday, Thursday: 9.30 am

ANAM CARA ARMAGH CITY HOTEL

Anam Cara Tipperary, the organisation that supports bereaved parents, will hold its monthly Face to Face Parent Support Evening for bereaved parents on **Wednesday 24th September at 7.30 pm in the Armagh City Hotel,** 2 Friary Road, BT60 4FR.

This event is free and open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age of their child, the circumstances of their death, or how recent their death was.

There is no need for registration, this is 'come-as-you-are' event.

We also offer online support group meetings. To find out more call 01 4045378 or email info@anamcara.ie

MISSON EVENING – DIVINE MERCY CENTRE, LURGAN 24th September 2025

"Be Strong In The Lord" - Human Life International Ireland 32 County Mission Event with relics of St Thérèse & The Holy Face. Divine Mercy Centre, William Street, Lurgan, at 7.00 pm.

ST OLIVER PLUNKETT - 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF CANONISATION 10th October 2025

To mark the 50th Anniversary of the Canonisation of St Oliver Plunkett, Archbishop Eamon will lead a special Evening Prayer Service, in St Patrick's Cathedral on Friday October 10th beginning at 6:30pm followed by refreshments in the Synod Hall. All are invited to attend, and members of Choirs are invited to join the singing on the evening and are invited to join at 5:30pm for a rehearsal.

SMA NOVENA IN DROMANTINE

SMA Novena in honour of St Therese of the Child Jesus, Patroness of the Missions, Tuesday 23rd September – 1st October 2025. Daily Mass and Novena Prayers, at 10.00am and 7.30pm. SMA Chapel Dromantine. All Welcome. Also, via webcam (www.sma.ie)

African Missions, Dromantine, Newry, BT34 1RH

ANNUAL MATT TALBOT MASS DUBLIN

Annual venerable Matt Talbot Mass - **Sunday 28th September 2025** in Lady of Lourdes Church, Sean Mc Dermott Street, Dublin at 3.00 pm.

Anyone from Cookstown and Dungannon contact Eugene O Hagan 02886736259

Bus leaving Armagh City Hotel at 10.30am and Newry 10.45am. Fare £55.00 and this includes tea and evening meal in the Carrickdale Hotel Dundalk.

Names to Mary Livingstone 07974629994 on or before 25th September 2025

ARMAGH PARISH - WEEK OF HOPE

Sunday 28th September to Sunday 5th October 2025

All are welcome and invited to join the Week of Hope which will take place in St Patrick's Cathedral Armagh to mark the Jubilee Year of Hope. Speakers each day will address the themes of Hope while relating to their own faith journey. Speakers are Archbishop Eamon, Bishop Michael, Colin Bell, Ger Brennan, Fr Philip Mulryan, Fr Richard Gibbons, Dr Lynette McShane & Antionette Moynahan.

Sundays 11.00 am; Weekdays 7.00 pm and Saturday 6:30 pm.

Rosary, Divine Mercy Chaplet and Confessions available from 6pm. All are welcome

REMEMBRANCE MASS FOR MISSING PEOPLE St Peter's Church Drogheda 5th October 2025 at 3.00 pm

The Mass will be celebrated by Archbishop Eamon Martin. This is a poignant ceremony to pray for missing people, and for comfort and strength for families, and to guide all search efforts towards their successful return. Prayers will also be offered for Irish people missing abroad and pray their families' suffering will end.

KILDRESS WOLFE TONES - HUB ACTIVITIES

The Friday Social and Friday Pilates has resumed. There is no need to book in advance - feel free to just turn up and everyone of all ages will be made very welcome.

Friday Social from 11.30 am to 1.00 pm.

The morning starts with Chair Pilates (catering for all abilities) and will be followed with a light lunch. Suggested donation of $\pounds 3$.

Friday Pilates from 10.00 am to 11.00 am.

5 weeks @ £35 or drop in £8 per session.

Please note that there will be no Pilates or Social morning on Friday 10th or Friday 31st October.