

LAY MINISTRY FOR JUNE 2026

Eucharist Ministers

St Mary's Church: Saturday Vigil 6.30 pm. Paula Conlon
Sunday 9.30 am Winnie McElhatton
St Joseph's Church: Sunday 11.30 am Claire Devlin/Don McGurk

Collectors

St Mary's Church: Saturday Vigil 6.30 pm. Jason Lagan/Eamon McGurk
Sunday 9.30 am. Oliver Gallagher/Tony McKernan
St Joseph's Church: Sunday 11.30 am Gary Kane/Brigid Heagney

Readers

St Mary's Church: Saturday Vigil 6.30 pm. Anne Loughran
Sunday 9.30 am. Noelle McAshea
St Joseph's Church: Sunday 11.30 am Ailish McGeown

Altar Societies

St Mary's Church: Siobhan Ferguson/Pauline Loughran/Siobhan Quinn
St Joseph's Church: Ann Hagan/Ciara Hagan/Donna Hagan

Anyone who cannot fulfil their ministry should contact Fr Hughes.

PARISH WEBSITE

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

- * **Pilgrimage to Rome and Umbria 27th July – 4th August 2026**
- * **Saint Patrick's Way Pilgrim Walk in Downpatrick**
- * **Dromantine Family Fun Day Sunday 14th June.**

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 6611

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 on the weekend of **6th/7th June**. If there is something you wish to have included in that bulletin please ring 028 867 51857 / 07584168879 by **Wednesday 3rd June 2026**. Inclusion of anything offered after that date cannot be guaranteed.

KILDRESS PARISH BULLETIN

31st May 2026

Feast Of The Most Holy Trinity



Dear Parishioner and Gentle Reader,

Someone once remarked that a mystery is something that cannot be explained and something that can't be fully understood. This might be correct, but it's not the full truth. Many of the most precious things in life cannot be explained completely, but they can be experienced and appreciated. As St Bernadette once said about Lourdes,

"To those who do not believe, no explanation is possible. To those who believe, no explanation is necessary."

Today's feast of the Holy Trinity is about appreciating and savouring the intimate love between Father, Son and Holy Spirit rather than trying to understand it. Such savouring cannot be rushed or manipulated; it is a gift of God. Our response should be one of quiet contemplation. In prayerful solitude we could remind ourselves that we are in God's presence. We quieten the mind and heart and focus on our breathing. We simply listen in stillness and peace. Nothing very apparent may happen, but we might be surprised when we take time to attune our spirit to God's Spirit.

The last line of today's second reading gives us an early scriptural foundation for belief in the Trinity and is sometimes used at the beginning of Mass as a beautiful greeting.

On this special feast day, I make it my prayer for you -

May the GRACE of Jesus be with you;

May the LOVE of God be with you and

May the FELLOWSHIP (friendship) of the Holy Spirit be with you.

With every blessing,

Monsignor Colum.

PARISH PRIEST CONTACT DETAILS

Fr Paddy Hughes,
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Email: kildressparish@outlook.com

LAST WEEKEND'S OFFERTORY
COLLECTION BANKED

£1,650

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 McNally (Cookstown): 028 867 63490
Fr Francis Coll (Coagh): 028 867 37212 Fr Moore (Pomeroy) 028 877 57867

WEEKDAY MASSES (1st - 5th June 2026)

(The Rosary will be said 15 minutes before the start of each weekday Mass.)

St Joseph's, Killeenan

Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 9.30 am

St Mary's, Dunamore

Tuesday, Thursday: 9.30 am

PRIEST'S VISIT TO THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND

The Sick and Housebound will be attended this week as follows:

Monday: Killeenan area Tuesday: Dunamore area.

If there are any sick and housebound not already on the list who would like to receive the Sacraments please contact Fr Hughes.

BLESSING OF GRAVES

28th June: St Joseph's, Killeenan after 11.30 am Mass; St Mary's, Dunamore at 6.00 pm.

26th June: St Michael's, Lissan. Mass in the chapel at 7.30 pm followed by prayers in the graveyard.

7th June: Holy Trinity, Cookstown at 2.00 pm

SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE AND THANKSGIVING.....

.....for parents and families who have been bereaved through pregnancy loss or the death of a baby, child or young person in Craigavon Area Hospital or the wider community.

Sunday 31st May 2026 at 3.00 pm in Seagoe Parish Centre, 46 Seagoe Road, Portadown BT63 5HW

THE MISSIONARIES OF AFRICA

On next Sunday, 7th June, Fr Neil Loughrey from the Missionaries of Africa (White Fathers) will speak at Masses in the Parish.

KILDRESS HEALTH MATTERS

Annual River Walk

!! IMPORTANT TO NOTE CHANGE OF DATE AND TIME !!

The walk will now take place on **Friday 3rd July** along the Dunamore River Path. Walkers will set off from Dunamore Hall at **7.00 pm**.

Refreshments will be served in the Hall afterwards.

All donations will go to the Kildress Health Matters Community Fund.

Everyone welcome to join in this healthy stroll.

CLOUGHFIN PIPE BAND

Cloughfin Pipe Band will be playing in the Mid-Ulster Pipe Band Championships on **Saturday 6th June** at Cookstown High School.

The band is scheduled to play twice - at **1.30 pm and 3.20 pm**.

Everyone is welcome to come along and see all the bands perform.

KILDRESS WOLFE TONES ALL STAR TEAM

We are proud to continue building our All Star Team and would love to welcome any child with special/additional needs to come along and be part of our club in a fun, inclusive and supportive environment. **We are also looking for new coaches and volunteers to get involved. If helping young people enjoy GAA football is something you'd be interested in, we would love to hear from you. Together we play. Together we win.**

For further details, please contact Caroline 07789440000 or Shannon 07939475015.

Also

See KWT Facebook page for many upcoming events including: **Design A Jersey Competition; Pilates For All; GAA Gear Preloved (Drop Off/Sales Dates given)**

DROMANTINE FAMILY FUN DAY 14 JUNE 2026

From 1.00 pm until 5.30 pm. Lots of attractions.

ATTRACTIONS: Grand Draw, Country & Western Music, Vintage Tractors, Gun Dog Display, Bouncy Castles, Obstacle Courses, Amusements, Stalls, Food, Refreshments and much more!

Admission-Donation £5 per car. Everyone Welcome.

CHORAL CONNECTIONS CONCERT.....

.....**Friday 12th June** at 8.00 pm in Burnavon Theatre, Cookstown. Tickets £10

An evening celebrating 4 of our local choirs; The Hub Community Choir, Cookstown Youth Choir, St Philomena's East Timor Choir & Rural Melody Ladies Choir, Moneymore, with Special Guests. Comper: Carol Doey Tickets available from The Burnavon.