

LAY MINISTRY FOR SEPTEMBER 2026

Eucharist Ministers

St Mary's Church: Saturday Vigil 6.30 pm. Anne McKenna
Sunday 9.30 am Kathleen Lennon
St Joseph's Church: Sunday 11.30 am Anne Hagan, Monica Hagan

Collectors

St Mary's Church: Saturday Vigil 6.30 pm. Thomas Loughran/Eamon McGuk
Sunday 9.30 am. Louis Lennon/Tony McKernan
St Joseph's Church: Sunday 11.30 am Brigid Heagney/ Gary Kane

Readers

St Mary's Church: Saturday Vigil 6.30 pm. Mya McCullagh
Sunday 9.30 am. Fintan Loughran
St Joseph's Church: Sunday 11.30 am Leah Foster

Altar Societies

St Mary's Church: Eilish Loughran/Michelle Loughran
St Joseph's Church: Mary Jo McCourt/Cathy Murphy

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:

- **Burren Outdoor Retreat, Friday 4th September to Sunday 6th September**
- **Catholic Mothers Ireland – Family Day 6 September 2026**
- **Anam Cara Bereavement Information Evening 15 September 2026**

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 on the weekend of **5th/6th September**. To have something included in that bulletin please ring 028 867 51857 / 07584168879 by **Wednesday 2nd September 2026**. Inclusion of anything offered after that date cannot be guaranteed.

KILDRESS PARISH BULLETIN

30th August 2026

Twenty-Second Sunday In Ordinary Time



WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE CARE OF CREATION

Pope Francis established 1st September as the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation, encouraging the Catholic community around the world to pray for our common home.

The theme that Pope Leo XIV has chosen for 2026 is taken from Isaiah 2:4.

“They shall beat their swords into ploughshares and their spears into pruning hooks”

A PRAYER FOR OUR EARTH By Pope Francis

All powerful God, you are present in the whole universe
and in the smallest of your creatures.

You embrace with your tenderness all that exists.

Pour out upon us the power of your love,
so that we may protect life and beauty.

Fill us with your peace, so that may live
as brothers and sisters, harming no one.

O God of the poor,
help us to rescue the abandoned and forgotten of this earth,
so precious in your eyes.

Bring healing to our lives,
so that we may protect the world and not prey on it,
so that we may sow beauty, not pollution and destruction.

Touch the hearts of those
who look only for gain at the expense of the poor and the earth.

Teach us to discover the worth of each thing,
to be filled with awe and contemplation,
to recognise that we are profoundly united
with every creature

as we journey toward your infinite light.
We thank you for being with us each day.

Encourage us, we pray, in our struggle
for justice, love, and peace. Amen.

PARISH PRIEST CONTACT DETAILS

Fr Paddy Hughes,
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Email: kildressparish@outlook.com

LAST WEEKEND'S OFFERTORY
COLLECTION BANKED

23rd August

Will be in next weekend's bulletin

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 (31st August - 4th September 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

BOOKING ANNIVERSARY MASSES

All anniversary Masses should be booked at least two weeks before the required date and after Mass in the Sacristy of the Church in which the anniversary Mass is to be celebrated. Or a note can be placed through the letter-box of Killeenan Parochial House, no later than two weeks before the required date and a contact number should be included in the note. **Please do not book anniversary Masses over the phone or by email. Month Mind Masses/First Anniversary Masses must be booked with Fr Hughes directly.**

LOUGH DERG RETREATS

One Day Retreats – Guided Days of Prayer and Reflection - places available on August 31st and on September 5th, 6th, 9th, 12th, 15th, 19th and 20th

Admission €50. Group discounts available. Advance Booking Essential.

Lough Derg, Pettigo, Co Donegal. F94 PC60 **www.loughderg.org**
email. info@loughderg.org **Tel. 0719861518**

ANAMCARA BEREAVEMENT INFORMATION EVENING 15th September 2026

Anam Cara is very pleased to announce our first Bereavement Information Evening especially dedicated to supporting surviving siblings this autumn. Supporting everyone following the death of a child, we are exploring opportunities to further support the entire family. This is open to all parents whose child or children have died, regardless of the age of their child, circumstances of their death, or time since bereavement. We are also opening this event to bereaved adult siblings over 18. To register and for more information visit: bit.ly/SeptBIE

CAMOGIE TEAMS REUNION

Calling Camogie Teams of the 80s and 90s to meet on **Sunday, August 30th** at 4:30pm at Gortacladdy Hub. Bring a hurley and a ball! Time to reconnect, share stories and remember all. Please Share!

FORTHCOMING EVENTS IN ST MARY'S HALL, DUNAMORE

Social Dance

Saturday 5th September..... Music by Lakelanders.....9.30 pm start..... All welcome

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Whist begins again on **Friday 18th September** at 8.00 pm. Newcomers welcome.

MUSIC CLUB IN GORTACLADDY HUB

Registration for the club for young and old will take place **this Wednesday, 2nd September 2026**, from 7.00 pm - 8.00 pm. Tuition in tin whistle, banjo, mandolin, fiddle, flute, accordion, guitar and bodhran (subject to numbers). Come along and register. **Classes commence Wednesday 9th September.**

CEILI IN ST JOSEPH'S HALL

The Ceili will take place on **Saturday 12th September 2026** in St Joseph's Hall, Killeenan beginning at 9.00 pm and finishing at 12 midnight.

Dancing to the music of Raymond Loney. Admission £8. Supper served.

In aid of Church funds. Everyone welcome. Please support.

APPEAL FOR MORE HELP

Once more we appeal for more volunteers to help with the Lay Ministry in our Churches: Readers, Collectors and Church Cleaners.

We especially appeal to our younger Parishioners to carry on this wonderful tradition which has been in Kildress Parish for many years.

If you are willing to help please complete the section which is in last weekend's bulletin. Alternatively contact Fr Hughes or contact the telephone numbers which are at the bottom of the last page of this bulletin.

Also, to those whose names are already appearing on the rotas and who are no longer able to help out, please make contact as above to have your name taken off the list.

OUR PARISH WEBSITE www.kildressparish.co.uk

There is a lot of useful information on our Parish Website, especially in relation to events happening within our Diocese. Some of these could be of interest to you and there is simply not enough room on the bulletin each week to list them all. Why not log on using the above address and explore what is on there?

Also available on the website are copies of the current and past bulletins.