LAY MINISTRY FOR NOVEMBER 2026

PLEASE NOTE THIS ROTA TAKES EFFECT FROM SATURDAY 31ST OCTOBER 2026

Eucharist Ministers

St Mary's Church: Saturday Vigil 6.30 pm. Marie McElduff
Sunday 9.30 am Anne McNally
St Joseph's Church: Sunday 11.30 am Claire Delin/Don McGurk

Collectors

St Mary's Church: Saturday Vigil 6.30 pm. Jason Lagan/Thomas Loughran
Sunday 9.30 am. Oliver Gallagher/Tony McKernan
St Joseph's Church: Sunday 11.30 am Mark McMenamin/Vincent Ruddy

Readers

St Mary's Church: Saturday Vigil 6.30 pm. Ciara McIntyre
Sunday 9.30 am. Eoin Loughran
St Joseph's Church: Sunday 11.30 am Ava Devlin

Altar Societies

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

St Joseph's Church: Caroline Mullan-Beggs/Vera Mullan

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:

*Trocaire Christmas Appeal 2026
*Eucharistic Adoration: Information evenings.
* Dungannon and Omagh Charismatic Prayer Groups

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 **31st October/1st November.** To have something included in that bulletin please ring 028 867 51857 / 07584168879 by **Wednesday 28th October 2026.** Inclusion of anything offered after that date cannot be guaranteed.

KILDRESS PARISH BULLETIN



25th October 2026

Thirtieth Sunday In Ordinary Time



REMEMBER: CLOCKS GO **BACK ONE HOUR** THIS WEEKEND

Dear Parishioner and Gentle Reader

In response to a question asked by one of the Pharisees*: **"Which is the greatest commandment of the Law?"***
Jesus refers to the Book of Deuteronomy and quotes a text that all Jews were expected to recite three times a day - ***"You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul and with all your mind".***
And then from the Book of Leviticus, he offers another quotation which he claims to resemble the first: ***"You must love your neighbour as yourself."***
Jesus brought these two commandments from different parts of the Bible and put them together in a way that was unique, and then he made the great declaration, ***"On these two commandments hang the whole Law, and the Prophets also."***
He didn't say they were the same thing, but more like two sides of the one coin.
A modern writer makes an interesting observation:
"The most difficult place to practice Christianity is at home in my own kitchen. It is so much easier to be concerned about the war in Ukraine or ethnic cleansing in Gaza. I must begin where I am, and work outwards beginning with those immediately close to me. It is like a pebble thrown in a pond, where the rings move out to the edges of the water. We have heard of street angels and house devils. We all must examine our conscience on that one."

With every blessing, Monsignor Colum.

PARISH PRIEST CONTACT DETAILS

Fr Paddy Hughes,
Parochial House, 10 Cloughfin Rd.,
Killeenan, Cookstown BT80 9JB
Tel: 028 867 51206
Email: kildressparish@outlook.com

LAST WEEKEND'S OFFERTORY COLLECTION BANKED

£1,405

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 (26th - 30th October 2026)

St Joseph's, Killeenan

Wednesday: 9.30 am

St Mary's, Dunamore

Thursday: 9.30 am

Friday: 9.30 am First Anniversary Mass for Damien Heagney

IMPORTANT DATES

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be conferred on the boys and girls of our Primary 7 classes on **Tuesday 13th April 2027** by Archbishop Eamon Martin in St Mary's Church at 5.00 pm

First Communion will be celebrated on:
Saturday 15th May 2027 for the girls and boys of Primary 4 of St Mary's P S School in St Mary's Church at 11.00 am

Saturday 22nd May 2027 for the girls and boys of Primary 4 of St Joseph's P S School in St Joseph's Church at 11.00 am

MISSO IRELAND

Thank you for your support of Mission Sunday. If you have not donated before and you wish to do so, please use the QR code on the Mission Sunday poster. Alternatively, you may either donate over the phone [(01) 497 2035} or on our website: https://missio.ie/donate/

NOVEMBER DEAD LIST

Envelopes for the names of our beloved dead are now available in both churches in the Parish.

ABIDE WOMEN'S CONFERENCE
Great Northern Hotel Bundoran

Abide Women's Conference, **November 20-22,** the Great Northern Hotel Bundoran, Co. Donegal.
Speakers include Sarah Swafford, Fr Barry Braum, Fr Mark Wharton, Kimberlee WooLing, Danielle Noonan, Nashville Domincans & more
Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Fintan Gavin, from Cork & Ross Diocese.
We would love to welcome you this weekend. For more details, please visit Abide in His Love at eventbrite.ie Registration link: https://abideinhislove.eventbrite.com

ANAM CARA ARMAGH CITY HOTEL

Anam Cara, the organisation that supports bereaved parents, will hold its monthly Parent Support Evening on **Wednesday 28th October 2026 at 7.30 pm** in the Armagh City Hotel, Friary Rd, Armagh.
This event is free and open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or how recent their death was. You do not need to register in advance.
We also offer an online support group meeting. To find out more call 01 4045378 / NI 028 952 13120 or email info@anamcara.ie

ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH

Over the next couple of weeks essential maintenance of, and repairs to, St Joseph's Church, Killeenan, will take place. These will include:

- fixing of the lead flashing over the Sanctuary area,
- fixing gullies and down pipes that are blocked
- adding two new down pipe at the front entrance to the church
- resealing on the outside of the window around the Sanctuary
- repairing damaged window sill

THE CARDINAL TOMÁS Ó FIAICH LIBRARY FREE LECTURE

The Cardinal Tomás Ó Fiaich Library & Archive will host a free lecture on how Dublin-based foreign diplomats viewed and reported on the figure of Joseph Cardinal MacRory during the Second World War .
"The Church and the 'Emergency': Foreign diplomats' views on the role of the Catholic Church in Ireland, 1939-1945" will be delivered by Prof. Filipe Ribeiro de Meneses MRIA of Maynooth University at 7:30 on **Wednesday, 28th October at 7.30 pm.**
Advance booking is recommended; please contact the library at 028 3752 2981 or eolas@ofiaich.ie.