

## Parish of Killavullen & Annakisha

Thirty-First Week of Ordinary Time (November 3-9, 2019)

**Thirty First Sunday:** 1<sup>st</sup> **Reading:** God's patience and forbearance is beautifully observed in the book of Wisdom. 2<sup>nd</sup> **Reading:** The people of Thessalonika expected an immanent Parousia (second coming of the Messiah). St. Paul advises them otherwise. **Gospel:** A story about the power of forgiveness. It was not the people's outrage but Jesus' compassion that changed Zacchaeus.

### Mass and other events this Week

Saturday Vigil Killavullen: 7.00pm

Confessions are celebrated from 6.30pm, prior to the Vigil Mass.

Sunday: Annakisha: 10.00am Killavullen: 11.30am

Monday - Thursday Killavullen 9.00am

Holy Hour Thursday, November 7 7.30pm

(No Mass on Friday)

May they rest in God's embrace: Mary, David & John Roche and the Roche family (Mount Nagle); Breda O'Keeffe (Annakisha); Patricia Sheahan (Monanimy); Dan Tobin; Mossie Kent whose anniversaries are at this time. Recent Death: Gerald (Swansea) McCarthy (Ross St.)

**November** is a month of prayer for the faithful departed; we begin the month with Prayer Services in the following parish cemeteries on this Sunday, November 3, as follows:

Annakisha Church Cemetery: following 10.00am Mass Killavullen Church Cemetery: following 11.30am Mass

Carrigacunna Cemetery: 2.30pm Monanimy Cemetery: 3.15pm

**November Offerings** can be returned at this time. If you wish, include a list of those for whom the parish will pray. Each month a parish Mass will be offered those who are our deceased relatives and friends.

Thanks to all who attended the Autumn Stations and for your offerings.

Last weekend's collection. Thank you for your generosity.

	Annakisha	Killavullen
Weekly Offerings	€175	€530
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The second collection this weekend will be for Diocesan Purposes.

#### Entrance Hvmn -

As we are gathered, Jesus is here; One with each other, Jesus is here. Joined by the Spirit, washed in the blood part of the body, the Church of God. As we are gathered, Jesus is here; One with each other, Jesus is here.



#### Recessional

Christ be near at either hand, Christ behind, before me stand. Christ with me where e'er I go. Christ around, above below. Christ my life and only way. Christ my lantern night & day, Christ be my unchanging friend. Guide and shepherd to the end

# Pope Francis, Beauty is Deeper than Appearance *Christus Vivit; Christ is Alive* (2019)

"Dear young friends, do not let them exploit your youth to promote a shallow life that confuses beauty with appearances. Realize that there is beauty in the labourer who returns home grimy and unkempt, but with the joy of having earned food for his family.

19.38

There is extraordinary beauty in the fellowship of a family at table, generously sharing what food it has. There is beauty in the wife, no longer young, who continues to care for her sick husband despite her own failing health. Long after the springtime of their courtship has passed, there is beauty in the fidelity of those couples who still love one another in the autumn of life, those elderly people who still hold hands as they walk.

There is also a beauty, unrelated to appearances or fashionable dress, in all those men and women who pursue their personal vocation with love, in selfless service of community or nation, in the hard work of building a happy family, in the selfless and demanding effort to advance social harmony.

Clearly, God's word asks you to enjoy the present, not simply to prepare for the future: "Do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will bring worries of its own; today's trouble is enough for today" (Mt 6:34). But this is not the same as embarking irresponsibly on a life of dissipation that can only leave us empty and perpetually dissatisfied. Rather, it is about living the present to the full, spending our energies on good things, cultivating fraternity, following Jesus and making the most of life's little joys as gifts of God's love.

Bon Mot: A year from now you may wish you had started today.