



Parish of Killavullen and Annakisha

First Week of Advent (November 21-27)

21.48



First Sunday of Advent *Wake up to God's presence*

1st Reading: Jeremiah dreams of a new covenant when God would send a Messiah to lead the people out of slavery and back to the promised land. During Advent we renew our commitment to “practice honesty and integrity.”

Psalms: A prayer that we will alter course and walk in the ways of God.

2nd Reading: The prayer of St Paul and the Church for each of us this Advent is that God will “confirm our hearts in holiness”.

Gospel: There are many things about life that make us afraid. Fear is a crippling emotion that can also lead us into self-pity. By raising our minds and hearts to God we can find the courage to overcome our fears. Our liberation is at hand when we accept Christ.

Mass Times this week

Monday-Wednesday Killavullen 9.00am

No Mass on Thursday

Friday Killavullen 7.30pm

Saturday Vigil Killavullen 7.00pm

Sunday Second Sunday of Advent Annakisha 10.00am

Killavullen 11.30am

Confessions: Saturdays at 6.30pm in Killavullen Church.

Children's worksheets on today's Gospel are available at church doorways

May they Rest in God's Embrace: Eleanor Stafford (Ballingurrane; Month's Mind); Theresa Crowley (née Brosnan)

Marriage: Congratulations to Kathryn Coakley (Mount Nagle) and Robert McCarthy who celebrated their wedding at Annakisha Church this weekend.

Last Weekend's Collections: *Thank you for your generosity.*

	Killavullen	Annakisha
Weekly Offerings	€510	€225

Sacristans' Collection: We hold this collection twice yearly to express gratitude to our sacristans for their dedication in opening and closing our churches daily, keeping them clean and setting up each Mass. There is a pink envelope for this collection with your box of envelopes; envelopes are also at church entrances.

Bon Mot: Silence is often misinterpreted but never misquoted.

Entrance:
 O come, O come, Emmanuel
 And ransom captive Israel
 that mourns in lonely exile here
 Until the Son of God appear
 Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
 shall come to thee, O Israel.

Recessional:
 O come, Thou Key of David, come,
 And open wide our heavenly home;
 Make safe the way that leads on high,
 And close the path to misery.
 Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
 shall come to thee, O Israel.

Covid 19 Pandemic: Please wear a face mask at church and other parish functions and refrain from shaking hands. Our liturgy has been adapted to ensure that the virus is not spread. Gov.ie advises:

- “acting fast, isolating and getting tested if we have symptoms
- wearing our face coverings where appropriate
- that indoor spaces are well ventilated (dress warmly @ church)
- maintaining adequate social distancing whenever appropriate.
- covering our coughs and sneezes and keeping our hands clean.”

Parish Registration 2022: The future of the Catholic Church in Ireland depends on its members actively take part in their community of faith. If your household is not already registered with our parish, please do so using the **registration form** available at church entrances.

Parish Pastoral Council: *We are holding an Advent Prayer Service* in the Parish Office on each Monday of Advent, beginning November 29 at 7.30pm. The weekly service will be transmitted via a Zoom link sent with this weekend's email and it is also available at the parish website. The prayer service will include a Lectio Divina of the Advent Sunday Gospels and a time for quiet and spoken prayer.

Servants of the Home of the Mother –Holy Hour & Reconciliation Service
 There are communities of the *Servants*, a new Catholic congregation of priests, brothers and sisters in Fermoy and Mallow. We welcome them to our parish to lead a Holy Hour in Killavullen Church **next Thursday (Dec. 2) at 7.30pm**

Life is a constant Advent. We are waiting in hope to fulfil our dreams and our promises. Hope, struggle, fear, expectation are all part of our Advent experience. The world as we know it is not as just, not as loving, not as peaceful as we know it might be. But the coming of Christ into our lives gives us reason to believe that light will conquer the darkness and that we can be liberated from our fears and prejudices about the future. May these weeks of Advent be a time when we encounter Christ and share the hope that his coming brings about.