



# Parish of Killavullen and Annakisha

## Second Week of Advent (December 4-11, 2022)

22.45



### Second Sunday of Advent

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading:** The coming of the Messiah will usher in a new era of peace when the gifts of knowing God and of wisdom will be available to all.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:** St Paul tells the Romans that they should treat each other in the same friendly way “as Christ treated you.”

**Gospel:** John the Baptist is a fearsome figure (the original “fire and brimstone” preacher) who is critical of those (like the Pharisees) who don’t practice what they preach. He prepares a way for the Messiah by his simple lifestyle and by the sharing of his faith.

*Children’s worksheets on today’s Gospel are at church doorways.*

*A Children’s Liturgy of the Word will take place at the 11.30am Mas*

### Mass Times this Week

Monday to Wednesday Killavullen 9.00am

**Thursday December 8 (Holyday):**

***Immaculate Conception***  
Annakisha 10.00am  
Killavullen 7.30pm

*No Mass on Friday*

**Saturday** Vigil Mass **Killavullen 7.00pm**

**Sunday** **Annakisha 10.00am**  
**Killavullen 11.30am**

- The Sacrament of Reconciliation is celebrated on Saturday evening at 6.30pm in the Reconciliation Room or at any time requested. An Advent Holy Hour and Service of Reconciliation will take place on Friday, December 16 at 7.30pm in Killavullen Church.

**May they Rest in God’s Embrace:** Timmy Sheahan (Monanimy); Bridie Griffin (Ballydheen); Paddy Lankford (Killavullen); Kitty O’Callaghan.

**Recent Collections:** Thank you for your generosity

	Killavullen	Annakisha
<b>November 27</b>	<b>€380</b>	<b>€190</b>
<b>Social Services (annual)</b>	<b>€100</b>	<b>€60</b>
<b>Sacristans (biannual)</b>	<b>Combined</b>	<b>€1275</b>

The Second Collection today is the monthly collection for Diocesan Purposes

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

*Prepare ye the way of the Lord  
Prepare ye the way of the Lord.*

**Parish Registration & Volunteering:** If you have not previously registered your membership with our parish, or would like to volunteer for a role in the parish, please use the Registration Form available at the church doorways.

**Parish Christmas Cards:** Featuring either Killavullen or Annakisha Churches are on sale at Church doorways this weekend. €10 for a packet of ten cards with envelopes.

**Communion to the Sick and House / Housebound:** Please contact the parish office if you are sick or housebound and would like to receive Communion either from Fr Gerard or a Minister of the Eucharist who is local to your home.

**Bethany Bereavement Support, Mallow:** will host a meeting led by Niamh Mulligan, counsellor and psychotherapist, at West End Art Studio, Mallow on Wednesday, December 14 at 7.30pm. All welcome. Mallow and district Bethany can be contacted at 087-3918751 See: [www.bethany.ie](http://www.bethany.ie) (Sr Dolores)

### **An Advent Prayer (by Henri Nouwen)**

Lord Jesus, master of both the light and the darkness,  
send your Holy Spirit upon our preparations for Christmas.  
We who have so much to do seek quiet spaces to hear your voice each day.  
We who are anxious over many things  
look forward to your coming among us.  
We who are blessed in so many ways  
long for the complete joy of your kingdom.  
We whose hearts are heavy  
seek the joy of your presence.  
We are your people, walking in darkness,  
yet seeking the light.

To you we say, “Come Lord Jesus.”

**BonMot:** The best time to plant a tree is twenty years ago.  
The second-best time is today.

