



# Parish of Killavullen and Annakisha

## Thirtieth Week in Ordinary Time (October 22-28, 2023) 23.41



### Thirtieth Sunday: *The Commandment of Love*

*First Reading:* The commandments of the Torah (Jewish religious law book) emphasise fairness and assistance to those who are most vulnerable. Those with most power and resources in the world bear great responsibility.

*Responsorial Psalm 17:* God's presence in our lives is like a solid foundation.

*Second Reading:* Saint Paul visited Thessalonika in the year 49AD and found many people there who welcomed the Gospel. As a result, they broke away from idolatry ( the worship of false gods).

*Gospel:* There was a total of 613 laws in the Torah. Jesus chose that one found in the Book of Deuteronomy 6:5 as the most essential one to observe: it invites us to unite the vertical (God) and horizontal (others) dimensions of spirituality and to do so in a way that is also self-respectful.

*There will be a children's liturgy of the word at the 11.30am Mass today.*

### Mass Times this week

**Monday, Tuesday and Thursday** Killavullen 9.00am

**Wednesday, November 1, Feast of all Saints** (*Church Holyday*)

Annakisha: 10.00am Killavullen 7.30pm

*No Mass on Friday*

Saturday Vigil Mass Killavullen 7.00pm

Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> 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.

**May they Rest in God's Embrace:** *Anniversaries:* Elizabeth and Jack O'Callaghan (Ballygown); Jack Scuffins; Breda O'Keefe (Annakisha); Dan and Mary Daly (Kilcanway)

### **Last Weekend's Collection** - *Thank you for your generosity*

	Annakisha	Killavullen
Weekly Offering	€310	€485
Mission Sunday (Annual)	Combined	€670

**BonMot:** Give your heart more exercise. Stretch it by loving more.

Glory and praise to our God.  
Who alone gives light to our days.  
Many are the blessing he bears  
To those who trust in his ways.  
*We the daughters and sons of him - Who  
built the valleys and plains.  
Praise and wonder our God has done,  
in every heart that sings:*

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*

**Handing on the Faith:** Please contact Fr Gerard if you would like to become a leader in the **Children's Liturgy of the Word** at Sunday Masses. Adult leader work in pairs to lead a liturgy once every few weeks. The next **pre-Baptism Meeting** will take place on November 6 at 7.30pm in the Parish Office

**Killavullen Community Café:** A coffee morning will take place in the Hall next Tuesday, October 31 from 10.30-12.30pm.. Teas/coffee: €3. All welcome.

**Next Sunday (November 5),** there will be prayer services in four of the parish's cemeteries: at Annakisha and Killavullen Churchyards following Sunday Mass; and at Carrigacunna at 2.30pm and Monanimy at 3.15pm.

**November Offerings for Masses for the Repose of the Holy Souls** can be made at this time using the envelopes that came with your annual Offertory Box or those available at church doorways. You may like to include a list of those for whom the Masses will be offered each month over the coming year. Thank you.

**From the Statement of the Association of Leaders of Missionaries and Religious of Ireland (AMRI),** "like people around the world, we are horrified at the escalating loss of life and devastation to critical infrastructure in the ongoing conflict situation in Israel and Gaza. We join others at this time in calling for an immediate ceasefire and the establishment of a humanitarian corridor to enable critical aid and supplies into the area.

We are numbed by the escalating loss of life and pray for the thousands of lives already lost in the conflict and for those injured and the bereaved. We appeal for justice and mercy in ensuring access to basic human needs such as water, food, shelter, and the necessary medical assistance. We call on all to work towards a dialogue focused on justice, compassion, and human dignity for all.

After many decades of violence and unnecessary bloodshed in the region, it is time to seek a renewed path towards lasting peace. We join the international community in calling for an end to the violence and for serious negotiations towards lasting peace in the region."