



Parish of Killavullen and Annakisha

First Week of Advent (December 3-9, 2023) 23.46



First Sunday of Advent: *Waiting for the Lord*

First Reading: During the lifetime of Isaiah the people strayed away from God and paid the price for not walking in God's ways by the destruction of their way of life. He invites the people to come back to God who can shape them anew: "you are the potter; we are the work of your hand."

Responsorial Psalm 79: God's active involvement in creation: God is like a shepherd and the keeper of the vineyard.

Second Reading: Our walking the Christian way of life prepares us for "the Day of the Lord."

Gospel: Advent is a season of vigilance and alertness to the "arrival" (meaning of the word 'advent') of God into our lives.

Mass Times this week

Monday – Wednesday	Killavullen	9.00am
	<i>Thursday – No Mass</i>	
Friday <i>Feast of the Immaculate Conception</i>	Annakisha	10.00am
	Killavullen	7.30pm
Saturday	Vigil Mass	Killavullen 7.00pm
Sunday	2 nd Sunday of Advent	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.
- *Children's Liturgies of the Word will take place next weekend.*

May they Rest in God's Embrace: Anniversaries: Michael Kenneally (Slumber Hill); Timmy Sheahan (Monanimy); Larry Buckley; Kitty O'Callaghan

Last Weekend's Collection - Thank you for your generosity

	Annakisha	Killavullen
Weekly Offering	€270	€580
Parish Sacristans	Biannual	€1,410

This weekend the Recessional Collection will be the Monthly Collection for Cloyne Diocesan Purposes.

BonMot: I must accept my limits, trust totally, hope greatly and do what I can do

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.

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.

St Paul Sunday Missal 2023-2024: Copies of the St Paul Sunday Missal for the coming calendar year are available for sale at Church Doors this weekend for the discounted price of €8. The Missal includes the Order of Mass, the readings for Sundays and Feastdays, the Liturgy of Holy Week and a collection of prayers and devotions for use throughout the year.

Parish Registration and Volunteering 2024: Registered households will receive boxes of mini-envelopes for 2024 during mid to late December. The package will also include a form for nominations to a new Pastoral Council. Having your household registered with the parish is a clear statement of your affiliation to our community of faith and the Church. It also facilitates communication with the parish office and accountability with regard to financial contributions. New registrations are most welcome! There is a Registration Form at Church doorways which can also be used if you would like to volunteer for a ministry or role in the Church.

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 second weekend.

Advent Prayer:

Wake us up, O God! Capture our attention again!
Help us to remember that it is you who waits for us, faithfully, patiently,
To notice your presence with us in ways ever new.
And then, may we savour and celebrate your coming
In the birthday of Christ our Saviour. Amen.

Personal Challenge:

As we begin this season of Advent,
let us be renewed by taking a little time each day to set aside our own agendas,
so that we can notice God's agenda for us and for our world.