



Parish of Killavullen and Annakisha

Twentieth Week of Ordinary Time (August 16 - 22, 2026) 26.30



Twentieth Sunday: The Lord our Merciful Judge

First Reading: The Lord's house is a place of prayer for all the nations. Writing in the Seventh Century BC, Isaiah promotes the idea of there being one God for all humanity. All are called to worship the one God, regardless of race or cultural background

Responsorial Psalm: we are all called to praise the Lord.

Second Reading: St Paul was sent to bring the Good News to the Gentiles (those outside the Jewish faith)

Gospel: The language of today's Gospel shows the Jewish cultural background of Jesus of Nazareth and his full humanity. The woman helps him to see God's perspective. While Israel was God's own people, God's mercy is intended for all.

The **Sacrament of Reconciliation** is celebrated at 6.30pm on Saturday in the Reconciliation Room at Killavullen or any time requested.

Mass-times this Week

Mon. Wed. & Thursday Killavullen 9.00am

Tuesday Killavullen 8.45am

No Mass on Friday

Summer Sunday Mass schedule concludes this weekend.

Saturday: 21st Sunday Vigil Mass Killavullen 7.00pm

Sunday Annakisha 10.00am

Killavullen 11.30am

Resting in God's Embrace: Anniversaries: Frances O'Donovan (Gurranachole). Recent Death: Pat Lane (Cork & Castlekevin)

Weekend's Collections - July 26 -August 9

	Annakisha	Killavullen
Weekly Offering	€615	€775
Diocesan Purposes	Combined	€180
Buildings' Fund (August)	Combined	€815

BonMot: Anger is only one letter short of danger.

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Glory and praise to our God.

Who alone gives light to our days.

Many are the blessings 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:

Bind us together, Lord, bind us together, with cords that cannot be broken; bind us together, Lord, bind us together, bind us together with love. There is only one God, there is only one King, there is only one Body - that is why we sing:

Killavullen Parish Pilgrimage 2026: will take place this Sunday (August 16) to Holy Cross Abbey, County Tipperary, for Mass at 11.00am followed by a guided tour of the complex of medieval buildings. The abbey contains relics of the True Cross. A three-course Sunday Lunch will follow at the Conference Centre of the Anner Hotel, Thurles. Our coach will then take us to Cahir and a guided visit to Ireland's largest and best-preserved castle. There are still a few places available on the coach: contact Fr Gerard or Kathleen Hanley 086-1556360. Tarriff: €60 adults/ €30 under 21. Bus departs Killavullen Church gate at 9.00am sharp (arrive by 8.45am) and will pick up pilgrims at Ballygown NS. Return to Killavullen for 6.00pm.

In Magnifica Humanitas (Magnificent humanity), Pope Leo urges governments to slow down and closely regulate the development of AI systems and allow humanity to experience again a gift unknown to Artificial Intelligence – the gift of wonder and awe in God's presence. ... In a culture where what you do often seems more valued than who you are, summer still offers the possibility to engage in something countercultural: to rediscover holy leisure.

Leisure is the pause that lets us remember who we are before God, not just what we produce for the world. A slow rosary in the garden, an uninterrupted hour with a spiritual classic, an evening walk and, if it's feasible, a visit to a nearby parish for Eucharistic Adoration.

These small acts of rebellion against the hustle and bustle of life restore our capacity to love. In a world that never stops scrolling, the most radical witness may be to stop – and let God fill the quiet.

If we are fortunate enough to have the freedom and the resources to take a break during the summer months we can really make the most of it by returning to wonder. (Paul Clayton-Lea, *Intercom*, August 2026)

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St Joseph Men's Camino

Every Camino changes us in ways we don't expect, every man needs one. Join men from across Ireland on **Saturday 12th September** for a 25km pilgrimage through the Boyne Valley, beginning in Drogheda. The day includes Mass, Adoration, Rosary, Confessions, fraternity, lunch and dinner, with after-dinner speaker **Fr. Mark Quinn**. Open to men aged 18+. Cost: €65 (student € 55). Registration, accommodation and details: www.dominicans.ie/events. Enquiries: op.evangelisation@gmail.com.

Marriage Enrichment Weekend: Marriage Encounter Ireland invites married couples to a residential Weekend from Friday 2nd to Sunday 4th October 2026 at the "Focolare Centre" "Curryhills", Prosperous, Co. Kildare. Step away from daily distractions to deepen your communication, renew your love, and rediscover the joy of your marriage. www.marriageencounter.ie



TheWay.ie is a new digital platform set up by the Irish Bishops Conference dedicated to sharing the 'Good News' and the witness of the Catholic Church in Ireland. It is intended to help people discover the faith, live the faith and pass on the faith. Use this QR code to access the site

- Adopt the pace of nature; her secret is patience.
- Love so that the priest at your funeral can tell the truth.
- Don't be afraid that your life will end; be afraid it will never begin
- 'When you plant a seed of love, it is you that blossoms.'

BON MOT:

- Few have all they need, none all they want.
- Beauty dies where litter lies
- To handle yourself, use your head. To handle others, use your heart.
- Jesus is the one who walks in when everyone else walks out.
- You can do very little with faith, but you can do nothing without it.
- Don't let yesterday use up too much of today.
- If only closed minds came with closed mouths.

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