

Killorglin Parish

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MASS TIMES

St. James' Church, Killorglin

Saturday Vigil 6.00pm

Sunday 12.00pm

Monday 10.30am

Tuesday 10.30am

Thursday 6.30pm

Friday 10.30am

All Masses will be livestreamed

<https://www.mcn.live/Camera/killorglin-st-james-church>

Star of the Sea Church, Cromane

Sunday 10.00am

Holydays, First Friday 7.30pm

CONFESSIONS

in St. James' Church, Killorglin

on two Saturdays every month,

12.00 - 12.30pm

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

in St. James' Church, Killorglin

on Tuesday, 11.00am - 6.00pm

Funeral Masses

If you would like a Funeral Mass in St. James' recorded, please request this of the Parish Office, on the day beforehand.

Funeral Masses can also be livestreamed from Star of the Sea Church, Cromane.

30th November 2025

Waiting

The Foundation of Spiritual Life

Waiting! Yes, waiting! Many find

waiting boring, even irritating. For anyone who is a "doer," waiting is a waste of time and a period when we could be doing something productive. For most of us, waiting is that time we can't wait to be over. Yet both Paul's letter to the Romans and Jesus' teaching to his disciples about the coming of the Son of Man invite us to *meaningful* waiting. Instead of a frustrated non-attention, the waiting Jesus describes is shaped by alertness. He notes that if the owner of the house had known during what part of the night the thief was coming, the owner would have stayed awake and remained alert. Or had those who lived carelessly been paying attention during the time of Noah, they would not have been overcome by the waters of the flood. Paul also invites his listeners to stay awake, not to waste this time of waiting but to use it to cultivate good and virtuous behaviour.

The great Jewish author, Simone Weil, once wrote, "Waiting patiently in expectation is the foundation of the spiritual life." This first Sunday of Advent initiates the start of a new liturgical year where we once again trace and reflect upon the life of Jesus beginning with his birth. It also offers us an opportunity to make a new start, a kind of rebooting of our spiritual life. We can make these four weeks of waiting a space that dares, even in these days, to cultivate hope. Such waiting brings about an audacious openness in us, an openness to all possibilities, even unimagined ones. The reading from Isaiah suggests that our waiting makes a space for the seemingly impossible. It invites us to imagine God's vision for the world, a world where all nations come together and "beat their swords into ploughshares and their spears into pruning hooks, where nation does not lift up sword against nation, a time when there will be no war anymore."

To wait so open-endedly is an enormously radical stance toward life, especially in a world so preoccupied with control. Such waiting invites patience and an expectation for something hidden that will be made manifest. And as we wait, we believe that the manifestation of Christ was not only to those who lived at that time in Bethlehem, but also can be made manifest to us now, in our lives. Thus, such waiting is not passive. It is an active time when we reboot our spiritual quest, wait expectantly, and ready our hearts and lives for the Christ we believe will be made manifest again in this season. This is worth the wait.

Gina Piazza

Have Your Say about your Catholic School

*For Attention of Parents of
children attending Primary Schools
or of children who have yet to start:*

The Department of Education is currently conducting a Primary School Survey that will determine the future provision of Primary Schools and crucially could lead to lasting changes in your school. In simple, direct terms, you are being asked if you want your school to stay a Catholic school or if you want that to change. Don't leave it to others, have your say before 16 December 2025.

See - <https://www.gov.ie/en/department-of-education/campaigns/primary-school-survey/>

The Divine Office during Advent

The Liturgy of the Hours, also known as the Divine Office, is the daily prayer of the Church, marking the hours of each day. Clergy and religious are obliged to pray the Divine Office each day but all members of the church are encouraged to do so as well.

During the season of Advent, there will be an opportunity to join with others in praying the Divine Office in St. James' Church. We will gather on each Thursday evening at 6:00pm, beginning on 4th December and each Saturday morning at 9:00am, beginning on Saturday 6th. The prayers will take place in the Prayer Room near Our Lady's Altar. All are welcome - the text for the prayers will be provided.

Next Friday is the First Friday

Fr. Kevin & Deacon Pat will make their Communion Calls during the week as arranged.

Confessions

There are Confessions in St. James Church on two Saturdays in the month, from 12.00 - 12.30pm. The next date is 13th December. Confessions are always available on request.

Eucharistic Adoration

There is Eucharistic Adoration in St. James Church, every Tuesday, 11.00am - 6.00pm.

Christian Meditation Group

Our Parish Meditation Group meets in the Prayer Room in St. James Church, on Wednesdays at 6.30pm.

Anniversary Mass Diary 2026

The 2026 anniversary Mass diary for first anniversaries will open on Monday 1st December next and for all other anniversaries, on Monday 8th December.

Diocesan Collection

The annual collection for the KCYS (KDYS) will be taken up at all Masses next weekend.

Remember our Dead

Died Recently:	Kay Burke nee Reddin , Upper Tullig Jackie Derwin , Hartford, Connecticut, USA		
Anniversaries:	Joan O'Brien , 34 St. James Gardens Patrick & James Murphy , Coomnafanida Margo O'Connor , Gurrane West & Farnes, Castlemaine	Mary Kelly , Ballycleave Eugene O'Shea , Dooks Margaret, John, Michael & Sean McGlynn , Castleisland	John Houlihan , Tulligbeg

Mass Intentions for the coming week in St. James' Church, Killorglin

Monday 1st December	10.30am	<i>For the People of the Parish</i>
Tuesday, 2nd December	10.30am	Kathy & Tom Walsh & the deceased members of the Walsh family, Ballycleave
Thursday, 4th December	6.30pm	Peter Teahan , Baile an Tooreen
Friday, 5th December	10.30am	Funeral Mass of Kay Burke nee Reddin , Upper Tullig
Saturday, 6th December	6.00pm	James McEnery , No. 1 Market House, Market Street
Sunday, 7th December	12.00pm	Francis Buckley , 5 Mountain View

Mass Intentions for the coming week in Star of the Sea Church, Cromane

Friday, 5th December	7.30pm	Kathleen & Paddy Casey , Cromane Cross; Tom & Eileen Hayes , Gloscha; Daniel & Mary McKenna , Cromane Lower; Mary McKenna , Cromane Lower & New York; Michael & Bridget McKenna , Donie McKenna , Cromane Lower; Michael & Johanna Murphy , Dooks; Peggy Murphy , Dooks; Sean, Julia & Patrick O'Sullivan , Johnny & Bridget McKenna , Cromane Lower; Stephen O'Sullivan , Cromane Lower & New York; Michael & Eileen Egan , Listowel; Don Wynne , Tralee; the Lyne family, Cromane Lower; John Arthur McCarthy , Cromane Lower; John O'Sullivan , Peggy McKenna O'Sullivan , Cromane Lower; John, Kathleen & Denis Teahan , Cromane Lower
Sunday, 7th December	10.00am	John & Josephine O'Reilly , Cromane Lower

Killorglin Pastoral Area

Priest on Duty this Sunday

In emergency always ring your own Priest first.

Fr. Timothy Kiplagat, (087) 0009181

If he is unavailable, please ring the following:

Monday:	<i>Fr. Timothy Kiplagat, (087) 0009181</i>
Tuesday:	<i>Fr. Kieran O'Sullivan, (087) 2432155</i>
Wednesday:	<i>Fr. Fergal Ryan, (087) 2408540</i>
Thursday:	<i>Fr. Kevin Sullivan, (087) 6277638</i>
Friday:	<i>Fr. Timothy Kiplagat, (087) 0009181</i>

Ministries for next weekend

St. James Church, Killorglin, 6th & 7th December

Vigil	Reader	
	Eucharistic Minister	<i>Liam Burke</i>
	Altar Servers	<i>Elijah Ampong, Noah Cahalane, Nikita Kiriakov, Omphile Scheurs</i>
12.00pm	Reader	<i>Robert Murphy</i>
	Eucharistic Minister	<i>Freda Purcell, Nóirín O'Grady</i>
	Altar Servers	<i>Kate Buckley, Millie O'Flaherty, Amelia Spillane, Aideen Casey, Alannah Foley</i>

Star of the Sea Church, Cromane, 7th December

	Reader	<i>Liam McGrath</i>
	Altar Servers	<i>Bláthnaid O'Riordan, Réiltín O'Shea</i>

Trócaire's Christmas Gifts of Change

This year's Trócaire's Christmas Gifts will provide clean & safe drinking water, farming & food support, education, assistance to women & girls, emergency food and urgent financial aid. You can support online at trocaire.org/gifts or by phone, 1800 408 408 / (021) 427 5622 or at Trócaire's shop at 9 Cook St., Cork Pick up a Gift Catalogues at the back of St. James Church.

Feastdays and Readings for Weekday Masses

Monday 1 st	Is 4: 2-6.	Mt 8: 5-11.
Tuesday 2 nd	Is 11: 1-10.	Lk 10: 21-24.
Thursday 4 th	Is 26: 1-6.	Mt 7: 21, 24-27.
Friday 5 th	Is 29. 17-24	Mt 9: 27-31.

Financial Support of our Parish

As in any household, bills need to be paid and a little put away for a rainy day. A parish is no different in that sense. The cost of lighting and heating our churches has risen considerably over the last few years. Also, insurance costs are a considerable outlay each year.

I would like to sincerely thank all the parishioners who commit to supporting the parish in meeting its annual running costs. Your generosity is deeply appreciated.

The ideal scenario is that the expense of running our parish would be met by all who benefit from and participate in parish services — from baptisms to weddings to funerals, as well as the sacraments of Confirmation and First Communion.

If you would like to be included in the list of parishioners who contribute on a regular basis, please contact the Parish Office. A parish envelope system is in place and a box of envelopes will be forwarded to you. There is also the opportunity to contribute by setting up a standing order. Thanks once again to all who support our parish in any way. Míle buíochas.

Cooking Demonstration with Marc Doe

in St. Michael's Hall, Iveragh Road, on Thursday 4th December
 Tickets: (087) 0618601

Car Boot Sale in St. Michael's, Iveragh Road

on Saturday 6th December
 Details: (087) 0618601

Cromane GAA Club AGM

in the Community Centre, on Tuesday 9th December, at 7.30pm,

Laune Rangers AGM

in the Club Rooms on Monday 15th December, at 8.00pm