

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

Kiltoom masses live streamed on www.churchservices.tv/kiltoom

Saturday 22nd November	Kiltoom 7pm	Tommy Dolan People of the Parish
Sunday 23rd November	Curraghboy 10am	Tommie & Kitty O'Brien (Milltown) & Deceased members of the Monaghan Family (Ballycreggan & Australia)
Sunday 23rd November	Kiltoom 11.30am	Cathal & Phil Moylan
Tuesday 25th November	Curraghboy 7pm	All who have died during the year
Wednesday 26th November	Kiltoom 7pm	All who have died during the year
Thursday 27th November	Curraghboy 9.30am	John Joe Cunningham & his parents Michael & Margaret
Friday 28th November	Curraghboy 7pm followed by	Bob & Eileen Lynch Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Saturday 29th November	Kiltoom 10am	Frances Muldoon (Months Mind)
Saturday 29th November	Kiltoom 7pm	Jim & Dina Morris People of the Parish
Sunday 30th November	Curraghboy 10am	Sick Intention
Sunday 30th November	Kiltoom 11.30am	Paul Treacy 'Grow in Love' Mass for the First Holy Communion Children from Ballybay & Brideswell National School



RECENT BAPTISM

We welcome to the Christian Community

Hugo Joseph Fleming

Who was Baptised in our Parish recently. We congratulate his parents and we wish them all God's blessing



RECENT DEATHS: *We pray for the soul of*

Colm Doyle, Bealnamulla. *Son in Law of Reggie & Helen Lee, Eskerbawn*

God grant him eternal rest & comfort, and console his bereaved family & friends



NEXT WEEK'S ALTAR SERVERS

Kiltoom: Saturday 29th November, Group 4 **Curraghboy:** Sunday 30th November, Group 2

A PRAYER FOR STRENGTH AND HEALING.: Lord, grant me the strength to face the challenges of illness and the grace to find healing. Renew my spirit, empower me with courage and restore my health according to your will. "But those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength." Isaiah 40:31

HELPLINES

Emergency Service-112 or 999
Alone 0818 222 024
Childline 1800 666 666
Focus Ireland 01 881 5900
HSE Drug & Alcohol Helpline 1800 459 459
National Freephone Careline 1800 240 724
Pieta House 1800 247 247
Samaritans 116 123 or text HELP to 51444
Teen line 1800 833 634

Al-Anon Group Helpline 01 873 2699
Aware Support Line 1800 804 848
Farm & Rural Stress Helpline 1800 742 645
GROW mental Health 0818 474 474
LGBT Ireland 1890 929 539
National Male Advice Line 1800 816 588
Rape Crisis Centre 1800 778 888
Senior Line 1800 804 591
Women's Aid 1800 341 900

PARISH OF KILTOOM & CAM

Church of the Risen Christ,
Ballybay
Kiltoom
Athlone
Co. Roscommon
N37 NY36

St. Brigid's Church
Curraghboy
Athlone
Co. Roscommon
N37 KV62

**OUR LORD JESUS
CHRIST, KING OF THE
UNIVERSE**

23rd November 2025

Parish Newsletter



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Our Parish on-line

www.kiltoomandcam.com

www.facebook.com/KiltoomParish

Twitter: @KiltoomChurch

Masses live streamed: churchservices.tv/kiltoom

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Parish Safeguarding Liaison Officers

Kiltoom: Orlagh Tiernan (086) 8257831

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*Further safeguarding details can be found on the
Diocesan website www.elphindiocese.ie*

He delivered us from the
power of darkness and
transferred us to the
kingdom of his beloved
Son, in whom we have
redemption, the
forgiveness of sins.

Colossians 1:13



Parish of
Kiltoom & Cam

young-catholics.com

PARENTS OF CHILDREN ATTENDING PRIMARY SCHOOLS OR 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 16th December 2025. See - <https://www.gov.ie/en/departments-of-education/campaigns/primary-school-survey/>

BECOMING CATHOLIC: The Catholic Church always welcomes those interested in exploring the possibility of becoming Catholic and those who have yet to complete their Christian Initiation. The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) is the process by which people enter into the fullness of the Catholic Faith through the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist. To learn more, visit <https://www.elphindiocese.ie/becoming-catholic/>

KNOCK SHRINE: A variety of retreats and workshops are taking place in Knock Shrine throughout the Autumn and Winter, focusing on prayer, reflection and deepening of faith. Visit www.knockshrine.ie for info.

TO MARK THE 400TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE BIRTH OF SAINT OLIVER PLUNKETT, AND THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF HIS CANONISATION, RTÉ Television and BBC NI Television will each broadcast a programme on **Sunday 23 November 2025. 10.55 am RTÉ 1 Mass.** Canon Eugene Sweeney celebrates Mass in Saint Peter's Church, Drogheda, with the global premiere of a specially composed *Mass of the Bells* by Irish composer, Michael Holohan.

11.30 am BBC 1 Prayer and Reflection. We join the faithful gathered at Saint Patrick's Catholic Cathedral, Armagh, for a special evening prayer service to mark the 50th anniversary of the canonisation of Saint Oliver Plunkett. The service is led by Archbishop Eamon Martin. Armagh holds a deep spiritual connection to Saint Oliver Plunkett, who served as Archbishop of Armagh in the 17th century. Saint Patrick's Cathedral, standing on its historic hill, provides a fitting setting for this moment of remembrance and thanksgiving.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: Are you willing to provide companionship or make calls to older people once a week for 1 hour? ALONE are seeking volunteers in your area. If interested: <https://alone.ie/volunteers/> For further information: Helena.madden@alone.ie / 086 014 5829 / Collette.Ferguson@alone.ie / 086 192 1505.

HAVE YOU THOUGHT ABOUT FOSTERING?: Change a child's life by becoming a Tusla Foster Carer. Talk to Tusla Fostering today by freephone 1800 226 771 or visit www.fostering.ie to learn more.

THE 35TH ANNUAL SAMARITAN CHRISTMAS CONCERT takes place on Thursday 11th Dec in SS Peter and Paul's Church, Athlone, at 8pm, featuring the Army Band of the 2nd Brigade, Conductor Capt. William Chester, Tenor Paul Linehan, Athlone A Cappella Choir, Athlone Pipe Band and Compere Joe McCarrick. Tickets: €20. Mulligan's Roscommon Road, and Cunningham's Pharmacies. **The Samaritans are available 24hrs on freecall 116 123 for anyone who is lonely, troubled or just needs to talk to someone in confidence.**

THE MOBILE LIBRARY will be in Monksland on Thursday, 4th of December 2025, and again on Thursday, 18th of December from 13:00 to 15:30. We have a great selection of books, CDs, DVDs, e-books and audiobooks for all ages and library membership is **free**.

BRIDESWELL N.S.: A huge thank you to everyone who supported the Brideswell NS Parents Association County Final Squares Fundraiser! Your generosity and support are greatly appreciated!

BALLYBAY N.S.: Vacancy for School Bus Escort – November 2025. Bus Escort required to assist pupils each morning Monday – Friday. For further details contact the school on (090) 648 9220 Email ageraghty@ballybayns.ie or drop into the school for more information.

KILTOOM DRAMA invite you to our latest production "Dancing at Lughnasa" by Brian Friel. Running from Thursday 27th to Sunday 30th November at 8pm in Ballybay Parish Hall. Tickets will be available at the door. Adults €15 / Seniors €10

THANK YOU: Sincere thank you to all who continue to return weekly envelopes. I am most grateful for your generosity, support and help towards the upkeep of both of our Churches and Church grounds.

NOVEMBER ENVELOPES: Thank you to those who have returned your November envelopes with the list of your departed loved ones who will be prayed for in our masses during the month of November. The November envelopes is one of four collections taken up annually to help support the Priests of our Parish.

NEW E-MAIL ADDRESS: Fr. Michael has a new e-mail address. Please use this email address going forward if you wish to contact him. Frmichael@kiltoomandcam.com

ROSARY IN CEMETERY: Rosary will be held after the 11.30am mass every Sunday during November in Kiltoom Cemetery.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: Congratulations to all our First Holy Communion children who attended their Commitment Ceremony last Monday. Your first 'Grow in Love' mass will take place next Sunday 30th November at 11.30am in The Church of The Risen Christ. All first holy communion children and their families are asked to attend.

HOLY HOUR: Thank you to all who attended our Holy Hour in St. Brigid's Church on Thursday Night last.

FOOD APPEAL: THE PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL are organising a **food & toiletries** appeal to support Esker House Domestic Abuse Support Service. Items for donation can be left in both churches the weekend of 29th & 30th November. Thank you

'MEETING CHRIST IN AND THROUGH ST MATTHEW'S GOSPEL': You are invited to join our parish scripture group for one hour on six consecutive **Wednesdays, 7 – 8 pm, in Ballybay National School.** Meetings embrace learning, conversation and prayer. More details @ www.elphindiocese.ie/matthew

ST. BRIGID'S LOTTO: Lotto Jackpot this weekend €5,600. Last weeks results: Numbers Drawn 02 / 07 / 14 / 27. There was no winner .9 match three winners, €25. Draw takes place Sunday night 23/11/25 at 9pm.

A CALL TO SACRED SERVICE: MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

We invite members of our Parish community who feel called to deepen their dedication to the Church by becoming an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion (Eucharistic Minister). This is a vital and deeply special ministry. As a Eucharistic Minister, you will join our dedicated existing team to assist in distributing the Body of Christ to the faithful during Mass. Furthermore, this calling extends beyond the sanctuary. Ministers have the profound opportunity to bring Holy Communion to our homebound, elderly, or sick parishioners, ensuring the comfort and grace of the Sacrament reaches all members of our community.

If you discern a call to commit to this rewarding ministry, please register your interest. All new applicants will participate in a mandatory, short training and formation course. This preparation ensures that all ministers are properly instructed in the reverence and procedure required for distributing the Eucharist.

We look forward to welcoming you to this truly fulfilling and special ministry. To apply please scan the QR code below and follow the link.

