

Kincasslagh Parish Newsletter, 18th August, 2024

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St. Mary's Church, Kincasslagh

Day	time	Masses this week
Sat 17	6.30	Jeannie Sweeney, Sheskinarone, months mind
Sun 18	10	
Sat 24	6.30	Hughie & Nora McGarvey and their granddaughter Noreen
Sun 25	10	Ernan Coughlan, Meenbannad

St. Columba's Church, Burtonport

Day	time	Masses this week
Sun 18	11.30	Tony J.E., & Ethna Gallagher, Burtonport
Tues 20	10	Edward & Hugh Gallagher, Burtonport & Sligo
Fri 23	7	Michael McGonagle, Sheskinarone, months mind
Sun 25	11.30	Bridie Kelly & son Raymond

'Sing 550'

To celebrate Donegal Towns 550 anniversary - 550 singers are invited to a Big Sing event in St Agatha's Church Clar Donegal Town on Sunday September 22nd. Register interest on Event Brite - sing 550! Registration fee €5.50, Over 18s only No experience necessary- just a love of singing!

A word the people at MCN web camera

Many of you are aware we updated our website address at the start of the year to MCN.LIVE. We have noticed a lot of viewers are still going to the old address which is due to be retired.

We would appreciate if you could advertise our new website address to save any confusion & ensure no disruption to anyone's service.

Web Address: www.mcn.live

Annual Leave

The parish council will co-ordinate with any families in the event of a funeral and our neighbouring clergy will be contacted to conduct the funeral in such cases. The parochial house Landline above will be call forwarded onto a member of the Parish Council to help you in this instance.

The newsletter will have the schedule of Masses and intentions for these two weeks but will not contain any local news updates. Please note that next weekend is the last chance to publish any event until 1st September newsletter. Thank you.



Move 2 the Beat
Exercise to Music for over 50's

Donegal Sports Partnership will host a 6 week Move to Music programme for Over 50's in YOUR area!

- Easy to Learn, FUN Movements
- No Dance experience needed
- Everyone welcome
- Light Exercise

This programme is fully inclusive and open to all abilities

6 week programme
Starting on **Thursday 12th September**
10.30am - 11.30am
Burtonport Community Centre

Cost subsidised €20pp

To book your place, send your name & mobile number to
burtonportcc@gmail.com or text Margaret 087 6317683

Ministers of the word and Eucharist for next weekend

St. Marys	Word	Eucharist
Saturday	Kathleen Bonner	Noreen Boyle
Sunday	Zoe McCauley	Adrian Ward
St. Columba's	Word	Eucharist
Sunday	Joanne Doherty	Breda Langan



Presentation of proceeds from the tribute night for councillor Noreen Mc Garvey to Gemma's Legacy of Hope and St Columba's Church projector screen fund. Many thanks to the McGarvey family for their kind consideration.

Gospel

John 6:51-58

Jesus said to the crowd: 'I am the living bread which has come down from heaven. Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I shall give is my flesh, for the life of the world.'

Then the Jews started arguing with one another: 'How can this man give us his flesh to eat?' they said. Jesus replied: 'I tell you most solemnly, if you do not eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you will not have life in you. Anyone who does eat my flesh and drink my blood has eternal life, and I shall raise him up on the last day. For my flesh is real food and my blood is real drink. He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood lives in me and I live in him. As I, who am sent by the living Father,

myself draw life from the Father, so whoever eats me will draw life from me. This is the bread come down from heaven; not like the bread our ancestors ate: they are dead, but anyone who eats this bread will live for ever.'

Commentary

This is the last of the readings from the Bread of Life discourse. It moves on from seeing Christ as the Wisdom of God, who must be accepted and believed, to the sacrament of eating the bread of life. These correspond to the two halves of the Mass, first the service of the Word, then the Eucharistic banquet. We are all so diet-conscious nowadays that it is quite obvious that the food we eat affects us. By eating Christ we are assimilated into him. But, just as, if I am sick, food does me no good and can even harm me, so if I eat Christ sacramentally without wanting to be moulded into him, it does me no good at all. That is why Paul complained that the Corinthians were answerable for the death of Christ. And drinking the blood of Christ? Blood is the sign of life – if there is no blood, there is no life – and God is the Lord of life and death. So if I receive Christ's blood I take on his life, his divine life, as the gift of God. That has alarming side-effects: it means I share Christ's life with other Christians. We all live with the same life's blood. Do I really share my life, my talents, my goods with others, knowing that I share the same bloodstream?