Kincasslagh Parish Newsletter, 15th December, 2024

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St. Mary's Church, Kincasslagh

| Day | time | Masses this week |
|---------|------|---------------------------|
| Sat 14 | 6.30 | Maggie The Thatch Boyle, |
| | | Crossroads Burtonport |
| Sun 15 | 10 | Kate & John Sweeney, |
| | | Kincasslagh Village |
| Wed 18 | 7 | Joe Forker, Glenahilt & |
| | | Charlie & Anne Sweeney |
| Fri 20 | 7 | Andrena O'Donnell |
| Sat 21 | 6.30 | Annamay Boner, Glenahilt |
| Sun 22 | 10 | Noreen Crossan, Cruit |
| Tues 24 | 9 | Christmas Eve Mass |
| Wed 25 | 10 | Christmas Day Mass |
| Sat 28 | 6.30 | Joe Conway |
| Sun 29 | 10 | Josie & Nellie O'Donnell, |
| | | Meenmore |

St. Columba's Church, Burtonport

| Day | time | Masses this week |
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| Sun 15 | 11.30 | Anthony Houston, Lackenagh |
| Mon 16 | 10 | Mary Sweeney, (Carleton), Lackenagh |
| Tues 17 | 10 | Neil Bonner, Crickamore |
| Thur 19 | 10 | Anna May Bonner, Glenahilt |
| Fri 20 | 10 | |
| Sun 21 | 11,30 | Nellie Doogan (Nida) Roshine |
| Tues 24 | 6 | Childrens Christmas Mass |
| Wed 25 | 11.30 | Christmas Day Mass |
| Thur 26 | 10 | St Stephens Day |
| Fri 27 | 7pm | Francie Doherty, Acres, Months Mind |
| Sun 29 | 11.30 | Kathleen Ferry, Dublin & Burtonport |

Anniversary

Joe Gorry Maureen Bonner McCaskill Mary Ellen Bonner Bridie Goodfellow Rocky Lane Gerry Mullins John Herron Frank Kilpatrick Cliff Moore Joe Gallagher

Dan O'Donnell. Cruit

Owenie Boner, Upper Keadue

John & Bella Gallagher, Burtonport & their

Grandson. Daniel Clarke

Our parish bank details.
St Columba Burtonport Parish A/C

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Would you like someone to talk to over Christmas? **SeniorLine** is Ireland's (HSE Funded) national telephone service for older

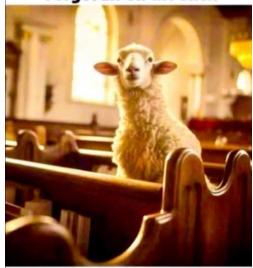
people open every day of the year 10am-10pm, Freephone 1800 80 45 91.

You may feel isolated, alone, bereaved or far from family. SeniorLine's older volunteers are trained to listen, to support and refer to other helpful services if necessary. So don't be alone, and lift the phone. Phone SeniorLine 1800 80 45 91. No problem too big or too small.

Keadue Rovers FC

Recent Match Results <u>Seniors 08/12:</u>
Bonagee Utd 2-3 Keadue Rovers Aidan Brennan & Oran Fallon (2)

Forget Elf on the Shelf



Jesus wants Ewe in a Pew

BURTONPORT COMMUNITY CENTRE

We the committee and staff at the St.
Columba's community centre would like to wish our customers and the general public a Happy Christmas. Nollaig Shona agus Blian úr faoi mhaise díobh go léir. The centre is closing for Christmas on 20th December and will be reopening on Monday 6th January 2025.

Badminton We have a qualified coach for badminton on Monday evenings
5pm - 6pm National school
6pm - 7pm Secondary School
to book contact Centre Facebook page or text 087 6317683

BURTONPORT FESTIVAL

The annual Burtonport festival night at the races takes place in The Lobster pot on Monday 30th December at 10pm. Horses will be on sale shortly at €10 each. Further details from Tim at the Lobster Pot.

There will be a Carol Service in St. Columba's Church, Burtonport on Sunday 22^{nd} December @ 7.30 am. This is usually a moment when we can step away from the hustle & bustle of Christmas Preparations & truly hear the beauty of Christmas music in its proper context. Please join us for this Holy Night of Christmas Praise.

Parish Baptisms take place in Acres Church on the 1^{st} & 3^{rd} Saturdays of the month and in Kincasslagh Church on the 2^{nd} & 4^{th} Saturdays at 2.00 p.m., or 4pm if there is a wedding.

Gaudete Sunday



Gaudete Sunday, or the third Sunday in Advent has a slightly different flavour that the other Sundays. The candle on the wreath is even a lighter colour as the iov of Christmas approaches. If we have been using Advent as a time of preparation, it would only be right that we feel the joy of the impending Christmas season from this point forward. The term Gaudete is derived from the Latin opening words of the introit antiphon, "Rejoice (Gaudete) in the Lord always." John the Baptist is given to us today as an austere but attractive character who prepares the people with very concrete advice about how to be ready, and his words created an air of expectation among his listeners. He had to correct the growing idea that he himself was the anticipated messiah, and made his beautiful comparison to his own nature vis a vis the nature of the messiah, "I wouldn't be worthy to tie his Sandals"!

The parish Christmas Confessions will take place on Sunday 22^{nd} in St. Columba's Church at 5pm. There will be a number of priests available then for this sacrament.

Bambinelli Sunday 2024
God, our Father you so loved humankind
that you sent us your only Son Jesus,
born of the Virgin Mary,
to saye us and lead us back to you.

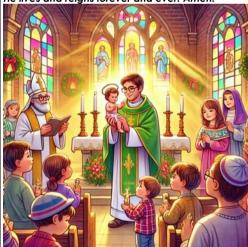
We pray that with your Blessing these images of Jesus, who is about to come among us, may be a sign of your presence and love in our homes.

Good Father, give your Blessing to us too, to our parents, to our families and to our friends. Open our hearts, so that we may be able to receive Jesus in joy,

always do what he asks and see him in all those who are in need of our love.

We ask you this in the name of Jesus, your beloved Son who comes to give the world peace.

He lives and reigns forever and ever. Amen.



After the blessing the children are invited to wrap up their baby Jesus and to place him under their Christmas Tree. On Christmas morning the Bambinelli is the first Christmas gift to be unwrapped and placed in the family crib.

Christmas Confessions