

# Kincasslagh Parish Newsletter, 13<sup>th</sup> July 2025

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## St. Mary's Church, Kincasslagh

Day	time	Masses this week
Sun 13	11	<b>Bridget Sharkey</b> (Budge) Kincasslagh <b>Greta Boyle</b> , Owey Island
Wed 16	7	<b>Martin Burke</b> , Mullaghderg
Fri 18	1	<b>Wedding</b>
Sun 20	11	<b>James &amp; Peggy &amp; Grace McGonagle</b> , & <b>Margaret Gaffney</b>

## St. Columba's Church, Burtonport

Day	time	Masses this week
Sat 12	6.30	<b>Tony Neil Gallagher</b> , Roshine
No	Mass	<b>Sunday</b>
Mon 14	10	intention
Tues 15	10	
Thur 17	10	
Fri 18	10	<b>Eddie McLaughlin</b> , Dublin
Sat 19	6.30	<b>Rosemarie Loughlin Smith</b> <b>Connie O'Donnell</b> , Lackenagh and New Jersey, months mind <b>Jean Sweeney</b> , Sheskinarone <b>Con Boyle</b> , Glenahilt and his daughter Breege <b>Burtonport festival Mass</b>

## Anniversaries

<b>Owenie Sharkey</b> , Belcruit
<b>Seamus and Johnny Ward</b> , Milton Keynes
<b>Nancy Boner</b> , Leffin

## Recent

<b>Josie Ward</b> , Keadue, who was buried on Friday
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<b>Our parish bank details.</b> St Columba Burtonport Parish A/C IBAN: <b>IE05BOFI9048787674363</b> BIC: BOFIIIE2D. Kincasslagh Church A/C IBAN <b>IE33BOFI90487858877323</b> BIC BOFIIIE2D
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**Parish Baptisms** Acres Church on the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays of the month & in Kincasslagh Church on the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Saturdays at 2 pm, or 4pm if there is a wedding.  
No Baptisms August 2<sup>nd</sup> or 30<sup>th</sup> or September 6<sup>th</sup>.

## Dates for your Diary

19 <sup>th</sup> July,	Youth Mass in St. Columba's
9 <sup>th</sup> -10 <sup>th</sup> August,	Graveyard Blessings
15 <sup>th</sup> August,	Turas in Cruit Graveyard
20 <sup>th</sup> September,	Lough Derg, 1 Day Retreat

## Money Matters

St. Mary's Sunday collection for 6<sup>th</sup> July was €570.  
St. Columba's Collections for 6<sup>th</sup> July €855. Thank you.



## POST OF SUPERVISOR - ARRANMORE DAY CENTRE

Arranmore Island Care of the Aged Committee Invites Applications For The Post Of Supervisor at The Above Centre. (This Post Is For 18 Hours per Week for 3 Days per Week Initially - Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Fridays) C.V. Stating Previous Work Experience Should Be Forwarded To:  
**Secretary, Care of the Aged Committee, C/O Day Centre, Arranmore Island, County Donegal, F92DX08**  
By: 5.00pm on Friday, 25<sup>th</sup> July 2025.

Use of Irish desirable but not essential. Shortlisting May Apply. Interviews Scheduled for Thursday, July 31 2025)

**ALONE DONEGAL VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: Would you be willing to provide companionship or** make Friendly calls to an older person in your community? The commitment is just for 1 hour per week. ALONE is seeking volunteers in your area. Full training and support provided. If interested, please sign up on <https://alone.ie/volunteers/> For more information, contact Helena on [Helena.madden@alone.ie](mailto:Helena.madden@alone.ie) or call **086 014 5829**

## Elvis Club event

We had a very successful night in Sweeney's Hotel in Dungloe on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> July. The function was packed and everyone really enjoyed the wonderful performance from Pete Storm.

This event benefited the Little Blue Heroes. The money raised from the event is €1755.00 so thanks to everyone for their generosity. So many people donated prizes to help with our fundraising and I really appreciate their support.

We had a Gospel Mass in St. Mary's Church in Kincasslagh on the Sunday morning. Thanks to Fr. Pat Ward for always allowing us to share Elvis Gospel songs with our community.

## ST COLUMBA'S COMMUNITY CENTRE NEW BEGINNINGS COMMUNITY SHOP

Open Monday- Thursday 9 am - 1.30pm. A great selection of items available at very reasonable prices. Many thanks to all who have donated and we would appreciate it if people could donate some mens clothes and of course ladies and children's clothing  
**GENERAL CLEAN UP OF BURTONPORT AREA**  
In preparation for our 49th annual festival which will be held from the 18th to the 26th July we would ask for a general clean up of the Burtonport and surrounding areas. Grass cutting ,strimming, painting and a general tidy up would be greatly appreciated. It's a great achievement for a small village like ours to be able to continue a festival for such a long time and we look forward to welcoming our many visitors and locals living abroad who come home for the occasion. Important to remember a tidy village is much more attractive.

## BURTONPORT RAILWAY WALK

The railway walk from Charlie Sweeney's to Pat Joe's in Meenbanad has been fully repaired and widened. We now have nearly a 7 foot width on this location. This is a huge improvement and no doubt greatly appreciated by the huge number of people who use this walk. We are also pleased to announce that we got some sheeting on the walk from Houston's to Charlie Sweeney's in the last week and it's an excellent job. We hope to have the hedge cutter in the coming days to trim both sides of the remaining part of the walk. We are very pleased to announce that our long awaited " **people counter**" has been erected which will be of great benefit to us and will enable us to know how many people are using the walk at various time. A reminder that the 2025 Friends of the Railway is now due at €12 per year . Renewals or new membership will be greatly appreciated.

## Farewell

After 23 incredible years serving as your Public Health Nurse, the time has come for me to say 'Goodbye' and begin a new chapter. It has been an honour and a privilege to care for this community, to walk alongside so many during their most vulnerable and meaningful moments, and to work with such dedicated colleagues. I want to extend a heartfelt thank you to the wonderful home support workers – your hard work, kindness and commitment never went unnoticed and makes a lasting difference in the lives of those we care for. It has been an honour to work with you and I am deeply grateful for your partnership over the years.

I leave, full of gratitude – for the trust you have placed in me, the friendships forged and the memories that will stay with me forever. Thank you for allowing me to be part of your lives.

As I step away, I am also happy to welcome the new nurse – Sarah Carroll who will be stepping into this role on Monday morning.  
I know the community is in good hands, and I am confident she will bring fresh energy, skill and compassion to the work ahead. I wish you all continued health, happiness and strength. Anne Sweeney

## Keadue Rovers Bingo Results – 4/7/2025

Winners of the €100 house jackpots:  
**Brendan Gillespie**, Mullaghduff  
**Anne O'Donnell**, Keadue  
No winner of the two Snowballs!  
Current Snowball prizes: €8,000: €350 (on 48 numbers)  
Next chance: Friday 11/7/2025  
50/50 Winner (€335): **Aggie Bonner**, Acres  
Next 50/50 draw takes place Friday, 18/7/2025  
**Recent Match Results: Tuesday 01/07**  
**U-12 Premier Division.** Dunfanaghy 2 Keadue Rovers 0  
**Wednesday 02/07 U-16 Division 1.** Milford Utd 1 Keadue Rovers 3  
**Rebecca Reetsang x 2 & Annie Kerr**  
**Friday 04/07 U-14 Premier Division.** Bonagee Utd 0 Keadue Rovers 5  
**Maria McGee x 3 & Ella Bonner x 2**  
**Saturday 05/07 U-16 Boys Division 1.** Gweedore Celtic 1 Keadue Rovers 5  
**Oisín Ward x 3, Daithí McCann & Tristan Green.**  
**Sunday 06/07 U-12 Boys Division 1.** Lagan Harps 7 Keadue Rovers 0.  
**U-12 Boys Division 2.** Keadue Rovers 4 Ballyraine Celtic 0  
**Flynn Gallagher x 3 & Daire Diver**  
**U-14 Boys Premier Division.** Keadue Rovers 1 Illistrin 11  
**Jamie Melly**  
**Monday 07/07 Donegal Women's Soccer League.** Keadue Rovers 3 Raphoe Town 0  
**Aislinn Coll x 2 & Kate Gillespie**

## Pilgrims of Hope at Lough Derg & Knock this July

Pioneers and friends of the PTAA are invited to mark the Jubilee of Hope on pilgrimage at Lough Derg from Friday 11 July - Sunday 13 July. The three days of prayer, keeping Vigil and fasting will allow us to connect in prayer with all who live under the shadow of addiction. Details from [www.pioneers.ie](http://www.pioneers.ie).

**The annual Pioneer pilgrimage to Knock Shrine** will take place on Sunday 20 July. Prayers will be offered at Our Lady's Shrine for all who work in alcohol and drug treatment centres around Ireland. Contact Fr Robert McCabe via [prayer@pioneers.ie](mailto:prayer@pioneers.ie) for further details.

**Blood Donation Clinic** will be held in the Waterfront Hotel on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> July 2025 4.30-8.30 pm.

## Retirement

Wishing Fr Eddie Gallagher, Leitir every happiness as he hangs up his boots for the last time. Join him in St. Bridget's Church, Leitir next Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> July @ 4pm