

Kincasslagh Parish Newsletter, 19th October 2025

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St. Mary's Church, Kincasslagh

Day	time	Masses this week
Sat 18 th	6.30pm	James & Mamie O'Donnell , Tower View, Belcruit
Sun 19		No Mass
Fri 24 th	10	John O'Donnell , Keadue
Sat 25 th	6.30	Siobhan Brennan , Carrick-on-Shannon Joe O'Donnell & his son Doalty & the crew of the Carraig Una & his wife Mary who would be 100 on October 23rd.

St. Columba's Church, Burtonport

Day	time	Masses this week
Sun 19 th	11	
Tues 21 st	10	Liane Jakob-Rost (beloved aunt of Sabine and Gesine) who was buried in Germany last Tuesday.
Thur 23 rd	10	Breege Byrne & her father Con Boyle
Fri 24 th	10	
Sun 26 th	11	Hudie O'Donnell , Acres Noreen Jeanie Boner , Keadue Mick Dixon , Sheskinarone

Recent

Clare Connolly, sister of Fr. Matt McInerney who was buried on Saturday.

Anniversaries

Bridget Bonner , Lower Keadue
Mary O'Donnell , Arlands
Fr Seamus Gallagher , Tubberkeen & Frosses
Ellen Ward , Leabgarrow, Arranmore Island

Rosary & Divine Mercy Chaplet after Mass in St. Columba's after weekday Masses except **Eucharistic Adoration** in St. Columba's on Monday after 10 am Mass for an hour, & in St. Mary's on Wednesday 11-12 noon.

Our parish bank details.

St Columba Burtonport Parish A/C
IBAN: IE05 BOFI 9048 7878 6743 63 BIC: BOFIE2D.
Kincasslagh Church A/C
IBAN IE33 BOFI 9048 7858 8773 23 BIC BOFIE2D

Parish Baptisms Acres Church on the 1st & 3rd Saturdays of the month & in Kincasslagh Church on the 2nd & 4th Saturdays at 2 pm, or 4pm if there is a wedding.

Money Matters

St. Mary's Sunday collection for 12th October was €1065. St. Columba's collections was €935. Thank you.

HOW TO REPORT CLERICAL ABUSE

If you have a concern, or complaint of child abuse, either current or historical, please contact:

Designated Liaison Person, Margaret Northage on: 086 2183 011 or by email: safeguarding@raphoediocese.ie. You are advised also to contact statutory authorities: Tusla (Child & Family Agency) - Tel: 074 9102233 Gardaí National Protective Services Bureau - Tel: 01 6663430/6663435 or email: GNPSB_SCMU@garda.ie. Free Counselling & Support is available through **Towards Healing**: Freephone - Rol: 1800 303416 Freephone - N. Ireland & UK: 0800 0963315 Freephone - Hearing Impaired: 085 8022859

Pilgrimage to Medjugorje Easter 2026.

March 30th x 7 nights. Ex Dublin. With Spiritual Director. €799 if paid in full by Nov 3rd. €899 after 3rd Nov. more info from Bernie McBride 087 935 3953

Keadue Rovers Big Bingo Results – 10/10/2025

Winners of the €100 House Jackpots:
Katie Mulhern, **Croveigh**
Rose O'Boyle, **Acres**
No winner of the two Snowballs! Current Snowball prizes: €8,000: €700 (on 55 numbers) Next chance: Friday, 17/10/2025 50/50 Winner (€320): **Peter Greene**, **Loughanure**



Next 50/50 draw: Friday, 24/10/2025

Recent Match Results: Saturday 11/10

U-14 Boys Conference League.

Keadue Rovers 1 Milford Utd 2 (**Charlie Campbell**)

U-14 Girls. Paddy McBride Shield Final.

Keadue Rovers 1 Finn Valley 2 (**Maria McGee**)
Development Team Old Orchard Inn D2. Keadue Rovers 2 Copany Rovers 1 (**Sean Boyle**, **Dylan Boyle** & **Odhran Boyle**)
Sunday 12/10 Senior Team Brian McCormick Sports Premier Division. Glenea Utd 1 Keadue Rovers 1 **Maurice McGee**

ST. COLUMBA'S COMMUNITY CENTRE

CROCHET is on Wednesday mornings 11am-1pm.
New beginnings community shop is open Monday-Thursday 9am -1.30pm. We accept donations of Men's, Ladies and children's clothes, shoes and accessories , Bric a brac and toys. We have a great selection of items.
ANNUAL BAZAAR Sunday 30th November at 3pm.
CIRCUITS is on Tuesday & Thursday evenings at 7.30pm
Annual Spooktacular Railway Walk will take place on Friday 24th October. Registration starts at 6.30 pm and

the walk starts at 7 pm. Also annual draw for Railway walk with tickets €2 per line or 3 for €5. 1st prize is a large hamper kindly sponsored once more by Sean and Frances Boner. 2nd prize is a small hamper. Tickets on sale in all local business premises or committee members. Refreshments will be served after the walk in the community centre.

BADMINTON is on Monday 5-6pm national school, 6-7pm secondary school and 7pm for adults
SOCIAL DANCING takes place in St. Columba's community centre on Sunday **9th** November from 3-5.30pm. Music by one of Donegal's bright young singing sensations **Stevie Mac**. Refreshments served during interval. Come along and enjoy a most enjoyable and relaxing Sunday evening.

LAUNCH OF MARIA'S CALENDAR

There was a capacity attendance in St. Columba's Community Centre on Saturday 11th October of the 2026 calendar in memory of the late Maria Gallagher, Lower Keadue, Burtonport. The evening began in St. Mary's Church Kincasslagh at 6.30pm with Maria's first anniversary mass celebrated by Fr. Pat Ward. Maria's former colleagues in Burtonport variety group and our local **Scór** group were in attendance and sang a couple of hymns in her memory. They then returned to the centre for the official launch by another local photographer and close friend of Maria, **Noel Newell Meenbanad**. Many thanks to Maria's husband **Paddy** for organising the event in her memory. These very impressive calendars are selling at €10 each with proceeds going to two very worthy causes: the Donegal hospice and Gemma's legacy of hope. € 2000 was collected at the launch on Saturday night. Many thanks to everyone who purchased them . These calendars can now be purchased in business premises in Burtonport Kincasslagh and Dungloe

Christmas Shoebox Appeal 2025

If you are interested in giving a Shoebox filled with small gifts for children in need, please contact **Pius Gallagher** (086 0579096) for leaflets and information. Your gift filled Shoebox will give a brighter Christmas to children who have so little in life. All boxes to be returned by 10th November please.

Caring for people with Dementia. One day retreat. Wed Dec 10th, 10.30 – 3.30 at Ards Friary. Cost is €50 which includes tea/coffee and a light lunch. For bookings contact Ards T: 074 91 38909. Email: info@ardsfriary.ie. For more information contact **Caroline** at carolinebrown268@gmail.com

MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT WEEKEND

Catholic Marriage Encounter in Ireland, 7–9 November 2025. Focolare Centre, Prosperous, Co. Kildare– To book: www.marriageencounter.ie

Burtonport festival AGM will take place on Wednesday 22nd October at 9.30 pm in the Community Centre, everyone welcome.

Mary's Meals wish to thank all who donated to their recent coin collection. Your generosity is very much appreciated.

Annual Seminar

The priests of the Diocese will be attending a seminar from Sunday until Wednesday this week. Please pray for us as we attend this time of in-service training and renewal. In case of Emergency, please ring Fr. Johnny Moore at 074 95 21008. Thank you.

Tax back on Charitable Donations.

What is the tax relief scheme?

If you are a taxpayer (Resident in Ireland, paying income tax (PAYE or self-assessed) or capital acquisitions/gains tax) and have generously given €250 or more to your parish in the course of a calendar year, your donation(s) can be worth 45% more at no extra cost to you. The amount need not be a lump sum – if you have donated several times and it adds up to €250 or more, then your donations count towards the tax we can claim. The CHY3 tax form is valid for five years and doesn't commit you to make any future donations. It simply enables The parish to claim tax back for any year which you gave €250 or more – without having to send you a form each year. And we can claim tax back for the past four years – so, if you donated four years ago, this year is our last chance to claim the tax on it.

Please note that self-assessed tax payers can no longer claim their own tax back on charitable donations – only the charity can make this claim from Revenue.

What your donations are worth

The rate of tax relief for charities is a blended rate of 31% for all donors, irrespective of the actual tax rate paid. The gross donation is determined to be 100% / (100% - 31%) = 144.93% of the net donation, so the tax relief works out as 44.93% of the net donation – i.e. approximately 45% of what you paid.

How tax relief helps your donation grow

The value of your donations	Increase after tax
€250	€362.32
€500	€724.64
€1000	€1449.29

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