

Parish of Bright Bulletin

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time - 21st January 2024

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Mass Times: Week Beginning Monday 22nd January

St Patrick’s, Legamaddy	St Joseph’s, Killough
22nd January Monday 10am	23rd January Tuesday 10am
26th January Friday 7.30pm	24th January Wed 7.30pm
28th January Sunday 10am	27th January Saturday 10am
	27th January Sat Vigil 6.30pm

Our Lady, Star of the Sea, Rossglass
25th January Thursday 10.00am

Faithful Departed

Anniversaries: Mona Stewart, Robert George, Jimmy & Betty Laird, Hugh Smyth

Weekly Confessions

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available after all weekday Masses and at 6.00pm before the Saturday Vigil Mass in St Joseph’s.

Eucharistic Adoration

St Patrick’s Church, Legamaddy every Tuesday from 2.30-3.30pm.
St Joseph’s Church, Killough every Wednesday from 1.30pm-7.30pm.

Divine Mercy Holy Hour will take place in St Joseph’s, Killough this Sunday 21st January at 3.00pm.

Catholic Schools Week 2024 January 22-26

The theme this year is ‘Catholic Schools: Communities of Service’.

In our Catholic schools children are given the opportunity to grow in their faith and to come to a greater understanding of the depth of Christian service. We are all called by faith to go into the world to share the love of God with all those we meet and to serve every person with a humble and generous heart. Let us thank God for our two Parish Schools, St Joseph’s & St Patrick’s, and pray God’s blessing upon the Principals, their staffs, the Boards of Governors, and the children they serve so generously.

The Year of Prayer 2024 and The Jubilee Year 2025

In preparation for the 2025 Jubilee Year 'Pilgrims of Hope', 2024 has been designated a Year of Prayer by Pope Francis. There is a particular focus on the *Our Father*, and this presents us with a great opportunity to go back to the basics of prayer. Every Catholic is encouraged to reflect on their life of prayer: what they pray, how they pray and why they pray.

This is for two reasons:

1. To encourage Catholics to deepen their prayer life and love of God
2. For each Catholic to help at least one other person to pray during the Year of Prayer.

“O my God, Trinity whom I adore, help me forget myself entirely so to establish myself in You, unmovable and peaceful as if my soul were already in Eternity. May nothing be able to trouble my peace or make me leave You, O my unchanging God, but may each minute bring me more deeply into Your mystery! Grant my soul peace. Make it Your heaven, Your beloved dwelling and the place of Your rest. May I never abandon You there, but may I be there, whole and entire, completely vigilant in my faith, entirely adoring, and wholly given over to Your creative action.”
(St Elizabeth of the Trinity)

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2024

"You shall love the Lord your God...and your neighbour as yourself."
Luke 10:27

The theme, taken from the first chapter of the Gospel of Luke, reflects the connection between love of God and love of neighbour.

“We pray, O gracious Trinity: Father, Son and Holy Spirit, that we all may be one as You are One. In Your community of complete Unity, we have our beginning and our end. To You we pray, asking for the gift of visible unity among all who believe in Your Christ. As we commemorate this Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, we are reminded by Your Word that all human beings are our neighbours and that we are to love them like ourselves and in the same way we love You. Help us to overcome the barriers and divisions we have nurtured against Your will. Grant to us, O Lord, a new Spirit of love and solidarity, that we may proclaim Your good news to all of creation. We ask this through Your Son, Jesus Christ, who with You and the Holy Spirit are one God, for ever and ever. Amen.”