Parish of Bright Bulletin
Sunday 15th November 2026

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Mass Times: Week Beginning Monday 16th November

St Patrick's, Legamaddy	*St Joseph's, Killough*
16th November Monday 10am	17th November Tuesday 10am
20th November Friday7.30pm	18th November Wednesday 7.30pm
22nd November Sunday 10am	21st November Saturday 10am
	21st November Sat Vigil 6.30pm

Our Lady, Star of the Sea, Rossglass
19th November Thursday 10.00am

Faithful Departed
Recently Deceased: Desmond Phelan (Carryduff, formerly Killough), Bernard McCloskey (Belfast, brother of Fr Gerry, Ardglass)
Month's Mind: Mary Carr
Anniversaries: Reggie Holmes, Billy Cope, Bishop Anthony Farquhar

Weekly Confessions
Sacrament of Reconciliation: after all weekday Masses; and in St Joseph's every Wednesday 8.00pm-8.45pm and at 6.00pm before the Saturday Vigil Mass.

Eucharistic Adoration
St Joseph's, Killough every Wed: 3.30pm -7.30pm & after Mass 8pm-9pm.
St Patrick's, Legamaddy every Friday: 6.30pm-7.30pm.

Sunday Collections 25th October
Weekly £819-90. Thank you for your generous contributions.

Divine Mercy Holy Hour
Will take place on Sunday 15th Nov in St Joseph's Church, Killough at 3.00pm

Annual Inter-Church Carol Service will take place in St Joseph's Church, Killough on Thursday 17th December at 7.30pm. Refreshments afterwards in Killough Youth and Community Hall.

Parish Pastoral Council 10th November 2026
During the meeting we discussed the following: Ongoing development of the Baptism Preparation Team, planning for Children's Liturgy at St Patrick's Legamaddy - we're liaising with Downpatrick Parish to learn from their experience, the return of Altar Services to St Patrick's at the beginning of Advent when they will be formally commissioned. We had an update on training received by the Funeral and Bereavement Ministers on Death through Suicide; those ministers also had the opportunity to attend an excellent Retreat at Tobar Mhuire. The code of conduct for Eucharistic Ministers visiting private homes has been updated by the diocesan Safeguarding Office - this will be circulated to those to whom this applies.

Advent planning is progressing with finalisation of the details for the Inter Church Carol Service which will be published in the bulletin and the format of our annual Christmas card was agreed. It was noted that the Parish of Dunsford and Ardglass will be hosting the Sycamore Advent Programme for four weeks starting Wednesday November 25th at 10,45am in the meeting room in St Nicholas' Church.

The next meeting of the Parish Pastoral Council will take place on Monday 7th December 2026. The members of the Parish of Bright Pastoral Council are: Gertie Small (Chair), Suzanne Hogg (Secretary), Mary McGrath, Mary Wylie, Cyril Carr, Gerarde Dawe, Fr Peter.

ACN Week Of Witness | Red Wednesday 2026
Aid to the Church in Need (ACN) was founded in Germany in 1947 as a Catholic aid charity for war refugees. It is dedicated to the service of Christians around the world, wherever they are suffering persecution or oppression because of their faith in Jesus Christ. One in ten Christians, 220 million people, live in countries where they are persecuted for their faith.

ACN supports every year an average of 6,000 projects in close to 150 countries, through the prayers, generosity, and volunteering work of those who support us in our mission. Projects range from big to small and include the construction and repair of churches and other parish buildings; supporting the formation of priests, religious and lay missionaries; providing bibles, rosary beads and catechetical resources to nurture the faith of people of all ages; and assisting refugees and persecuted people by providing material help and pastoral care to victims of war and religious persecution. Whether assisting orphans in Sudan or helping Christians in the very land of the Child of Bethlehem's birth ACN helps fan the flame of faith in today's disturbed and war weary world.

Every year, Aid to the Church in Need hosts a Week of Witness, a week of campaigning and prayer for persecuted Christians around the world. This year's Week of Witness begins on 15th November and runs through to 22nd November.

Since 2016, the Wednesday during the Week of Witness has become known as Red Wednesday. This year, Red Wednesday falls on 18th November. Red is the liturgical colour for the feast days of martyrs, representing the blood of those who suffered death for their faith. On Red Wednesday, where possible, cathedrals, churches, and public buildings around the world will be lit up in red to show solidarity with our suffering brothers and sisters.

On Red Wednesday, wear something red - a tie, scarf or jumper - to show solidarity with the suffering Church and to remember the blood lost by Christians in defence of their faith. More information is available at: www.acnireland.org