Parishes of Kilmore & Killyleagh

20th September 2026
25th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Parish Vision Statement:
Christ's love, working within us, invites us to live for him and to work to make his name known and loved.

Our Christian Community in Kilmore and Killyleagh seeks to be a place where everyone:

- Feels welcomed
- Feels safe
- Feels listened to
- Feels respected
- Experiences a sense of belonging
- Deepens their understanding of our Catholic Faith and traditions in a place of joyful and prayerful worship
- Actively walks together as brothers and sisters inspired by God's love
- Reaches out to others who are not engaged in Church life
- Supports those who may be in need including the bereaved
- Experiences God in the wonder of creation and seeks to care more proactively for it.

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Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday between 9am – 2pm
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Website: www.kilmoreandkillyleagh.com
Webcam: www.kilmoreandkillyleagh.com/webcams

Sunday Mass Times:
Killyleagh: Saturday 5pm Vigil
Teconnaught: Saturday 7pm Vigil
Crossgar: Sunday 10.30am

Weekday Mass Tobar Mhuire
Monday-Saturday 9am

Requiem Masses:
All Requiem Masses will be held at 10am

Confessions in Tobar Mhuire:
Friday & Saturday 4-6pm

Fr Derek Kearney is also available by appointment for anyone wishing to avail of the sacrament of reconciliation.

The Apostolate of Eucharistic Adoration:
All parishioners are welcome to join in our weekly Perpetual Adoration in the Parish in:
Killyleagh: Monday 10am-11am – includes Rosary and Padre Pio Novena
Crossgar: Tuesday10am-11am – includes Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet
Teconnaught: Sunday 5pm–6pm – includes Rosary (4pm) Divine Mercy Chaplet (5pm)
Tobar Mhuire: Thursday 10am-6pm – finishes with Benediction (5.40pm)

Petition Boxes: Parishioners are invited to add their personal intention requests in the Prayer boxes provided at the back of our 3 churches. Intentions will be placed before the altar and prayed for during our Eucharistic Adoration in each church each week.

The Blessed Sacrament cannot be left unattended.

Baptisms and Weddings:
Arrangements are to be made with the Parish Office on 02844 830229 during office hours.
Requests must be made to the Parish Office via email or downloaded from the parish website. All certificates must be collected in person.

2026 Baptism Times:
Baptisms at 12noon in:
- Killyleagh: Sunday 20th September
- Crossgar: Sunday 18th October
- Teconnaught: Sunday15th November

Kilmore SVP Helpline: 07523 111 543
Anyone interested in joining SVP or willing to help hold the collection boxes please contact the SVP Helpline number or give your written name and number to any SVP member.

Parish Bereavement Ministry Team: Helpline: 07599124207
The Parish Bereavement Ministry Team provides support for people who have experienced bereavement through the loss of a loved one. If you need our support, we are here to help you.

Children's Liturgy in Teconnaught:
Resumes on Saturday 19th September. We would love to have a few more leaders, if you are interested in helping out, please leave your name with the office or talk to one of the existing leaders.

Kilmore and Inch Parish Food Bank: Helpline: 07523111543

The Food Bank at Kilmore Parish Church Hall, Church Road, Kilmore opens from 11am – 1pm every Wednesday. Parishioners are asked to donate non-perishable food to help the Food Bank

Donations can be left in the basket at the back of Churches in Teconnaught and Crossgar or at the designated basket in Super Valu supermarket Crossgar. Anyone requiring help from the Food Bank, please contact the helpline above.

Parish Uganda Link NIC107201:

The PUL group continues to meet on a monthly basis building on our partnership with St Kizito's Parish supporting schools and the local community in three main areas of activity. The Pupil Sponsorship Scheme (education), the Food Poverty Programme, and the Parish Clinic. **For information on the Pupil Sponsorship Scheme contact:**
Kasia Wawrzynek 07706438258 or
Geraldine Murphy 07752779043
Email: pulkilmore@gmail.com
www.charitycommissionni.org.uk

Anniversary Masses:

To take undue pressure off the sacristans, there is a gentle reminder for all anniversary masses to be booked via the parish office by email or leaving a message on the answer machine no later than 4pm on Thursday.

YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE:

We have excellent and dedicated volunteers in the parish who ensure the parish functions as it does.

There is a wealth of talent interests and abilities within the parishes of Kilmore and Killyleagh. Would you be able and willing to share them with us?

Why not come forward and volunteer, offer suggestions, lead…?

The Parishes would welcome younger members to get more involved in parish life/How about it? You can make a difference!!

An Economy of Enough: Season of Creation Event:

As part of the Season of Creation, Join the Dots Together is launching a report on its Earth Day Conference, *An Economy of Enough*. The launch will take place on Thursday 24 September, 7.30pm in Windsor Hub, 22 Lower Windsor Avenue, Belfast. The report will be launched by Kristian Noll of the London School of Economics and will explore how we can move towards an economy based on sufficiency, solidarity and sustainability, highlighting the important role that faith communities can play in turning vision into action. All are welcome. Further information from Juanita Majury, info@jointhedotstogether.org

HILLS TO THE LOUGH FAMILY OF PARISHES

Kilmore & Killyleagh, Drumaroad & Clanvaraghan, Loughinisland

Priests: Fr Derek Kearney SMA, Fr Ciarán Dallat,

Fr Michael Murray

Webcam: www.churchmedia.tv

In addition to our own parish information:

St Mary's of the Angels - Clanvaraghan

Sunday 10am & Monday 7:30pm
St John the Baptist - Drumaroad

Saturday & Wednesday: 7:30pm
St Macartan's - Loughinisland

Sunday: (Vigil Saturday) 6.30pm, 8.30am & 11am

Monday 7.30pm (Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help)

Wednesday & Thursday 7.30pm & Friday 10am

Adoration & Reconciliation (Confessions):

Saturday 5.30pm-6pm

Eucharistic Adoration

Sunday 7pm (led) and Friday 7pm (private)

Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration Renewal Invitation:

Many thanks to all those parishioners who completed their invitation cards last weekend to spend an hour in Adoration with Our Lord Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament each week. We are hoping to renew full-day Adoration each Tuesday from 10am to 8pm in Crossgar and we need additional adorers to help make this possible. In particular, we need adorers to cover the hours between 11am and 6pm. We warmly appeal to parishioners, who have not already done so, to consider committing to one of these hours each Tuesday. Spending an hour in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament is a beautiful opportunity for prayer, reflection and quiet time with the Lord. Every commitment, however small, will help us restore this important part of our parish prayer life. Invitation cards are available at the back of each church, and you are invited to please sign a card which will be collected at the back of each church over the next two weekends. Thank you all.

"The entire material universe speaks of God's love, God's boundless affection for us. Soil, water, mountain: Everything is a caress of God" Pope Francis Quote (Laudato Si, 84)

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