



## Parishes of Kilmore & Killyleagh

21<sup>st</sup> March 2026

### Fifth Sunday of Lent

#### 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.

#### Father Derek Kearney SMA

##### Parish Administrator

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**Parish Office:** 02844 830229

**Opening hours:** Tuesday – Thursday 2pm-4.30pm

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**Webcam:** [www.kilmoreandkillyleagh.com/webcams](http://www.kilmoreandkillyleagh.com/webcams)

#### Sunday Mass Times:

**Killyleagh:** Saturday 5pm Vigil

**Teconnaught:** Saturday 7pm Vigil

**Crossgar:** Sunday 10.30am

#### Daily 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: Tuesday 10am-11am – includes Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet

Teconnaught: Sunday 4pm-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.***

#### Children's Liturgy:

Saturday Vigil Mass at 7pm in Teconnaught.

#### 2026 Baptism Times:

Baptisms at 12noon in:

- Crossgar: Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> April
- Teconnaught: Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> May

#### 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.

#### 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.

#### 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 NII07201:

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 3 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:

For information contact:

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## Anniversary Masses:

In order 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.

## Stations of the Cross:

During Lent Stations of the Cross are being held each Friday at 7pm in Teconnaught and each Monday in Killyleagh at 11am after Eucharistic Adoration.

## Hills to the Lough

### Lenten Journey of Pilgrimage:

Parishioners are encouraged to attend as many of the masses at 7pm below during Lent.

25<sup>th</sup> March – Teconnaught

1<sup>st</sup> April – Loughinisland

## Collection Envelopes - Year 2026/2027

Collection envelopes for the new financial year are at the back of the churches. Parishioners who wish to obtain a box or to contribute by bank standing order please contact the Parish Office.

## Passover Dinner - Palm Sunday, 29<sup>th</sup> March at 3pm - Loughinisland GAC

We will serve the traditional food and pray the prayers handed down for hundreds of years, and we will learn about why the Passover meal is laid out the way it is, and how Passover relates to Christians in our time. The meal will take around 2 hours. If you would like to try this unique experience, contact the Loughinisland parish office on 02844811661, or email [loughinisland@downandconnor.org](mailto:loughinisland@downandconnor.org) before 3pm on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March. Everyone welcome.

## Teconnaught GAC Charity Coffee Morning:

A coffee morning in aid of Aida Refugee Camp Bethlehem and Project Hope Nablus is at 11.30am on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> March in Teconnaught GAC. Tickets for a hamper are available at McGrath's Shop.

## 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](http://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)

## Reminder - Bulletin Notices:

All bulletin notices can be emailed to the office marked "bulletin".

Notices must be in no later than Wednesday.

## Commissioning of Eucharistic Ministers and Readers:

New Eucharistic Ministers and Readers will be commissioned at Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April at 7pm in Holy Family Church, Teconnaught.

## Cemetery Sunday:

Cemetery Sunday in both of the cemeteries in the Parish will be on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> June:

- Killyleagh @ 3pm
- Teconnaught @ 6pm

## Confessions with Fire ritual:

Confessions will take place between 6.30pm to 7.30pm on:

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> March in Teconnaught

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March in Killyleagh

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March in Crossgar