



# Parish of Kilmore & Killyleagh

2<sup>nd</sup> April 2023  
Palm Sunday

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## Sunday Mass Times:

**Killyleagh:** Saturday 5.00pm Vigil

**Teconnaught:** Saturday 7.00pm Vigil

**Crossgar:** Sunday 10.30am

## Confession Times:

By appointment

## The Apostolate of Eucharistic Adoration:

Perpetual Adoration takes place in the Parish at:

**Killyleagh:** Monday 10.00am - 11.00am

**Crossgar:** Tuesday 10.00am - 11.00am

*The Blessed Sacrament cannot be left unattended.*

## Baptism Times:

Baptisms will take place at 12.15pm

- Crossgar: Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> April
- Teconnaught: Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> May
- Killyleagh: Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> June

**Weekly Collection:** I acknowledge with thanks and appreciation the weekly and monthly offerings.

## Baptisms, Weddings & Funerals:

Arrangements are to be made with the Parish Office on 02844 830229 during office hours above. Outside of office hours' funeral arrangements to be made with Fr Brendan on 07966527165. Requests for Baptism/Confirmation/Marriage certificates must be made to the parish office via email or downloaded from parish website. All certificates must be collected in person

## Requiem Masses:

In the event of a Requiem Mass, daily Mass @ 9.30am will be cancelled that day in all three churches.

**Kilmore SVP Helpline: 07523 111 543**

**Food Bank:** The Food Bank is open every Wednesday from 11.00 am to 1.00pm.

For more information contact the Food Bank manager at [foodbank@kilmore.church](mailto:foodbank@kilmore.church) All donations welcome.

## Easter Ceremonies:

**Confessions** will be held at 7pm in:

Killyleagh on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> April

Teconnaught on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> April

Crossgar on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> April

## Holy Thursday

7pm Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper in Holy Family Church, Teconnaught, followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament concluding with Night Prayer @ 10pm

## Good Friday

*Good Friday is a day of Fasting and Abstinence.*

3pm Solemn Celebration of the Lord's Passion, Church of the Immaculate Conception &

St Joseph, Crossgar

3pm Stations of the Cross, St Mary's Star of the Sea, Killyleagh

## Easter Vigil

9pm St Mary's Star of the Sea, Killyleagh

## Easter Sunday Morning Masses

9.30am Holy Family Church, Teconnaught

11am Church of the Immaculate Conception &

St Joseph

## Low Week:

From Easter Sunday until Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> April there will be no daily masses.

Eucharistic Adoration will continue on Easter Monday 10<sup>th</sup> April in Killyleagh and on Easter Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> April in Crossgar.

**Weekday Masses** will resume at 9.30am on:

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April in Killyleagh

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> April in Crossgar

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> April in Teconnaught

**Petition Box:** Parishioners are invited to add their personal intention requests in the Prayer boxes which have been introduced in each church. Intentions that will be prayed for during Eucharistic Adoration.

## Reminder - Bulletin Notices:

Bulletin notices can be emailed to the office email address marked "bulletin".

**The Parish Office:** will be closed from Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> April until 2pm on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> April.



**Trócaire 2023:** This year's Lenten campaign highlights 8-year old Nasteha and her family in Southern Somalia. Two years without rain, soaring temperatures and failed crops, forced the family to flee from their home to a camp to seek food and shelter. This Lent with your help these families can be supported not just with immediate life-saving assistance but also with the tools to rebuild their lives and to regain the hope they have lost. Please take an envelope and help these families.

Trócaire boxes may be placed in the baskets in each of the Churches. It would be appreciated if coins could be converted into notes.

### **Parish Bethany Bereavement Support**

**Group:** Our parish Bethany Group which has been meeting regularly during and since the Covid lockdowns wishes to assure our fellow parishioners that we are still available to support them when they need us. Over the past few years we have been unable to visit people who have experienced bereavement and have been restricted to sending out sympathy and anniversary cards to those who have lost loved ones. We have also organised the November masses for the families of people who have died during the preceding year and hope to be able to resume our home visits when we are informed by the diocesan authorities that it is OK to do so. In the meantime, we remain ready to support anyone in our parish who needs our support. If you have been bereaved and need a listening ear, please contact us at our Bethany mobile number 07599124207

**Parish Uganda Link N1107201:** The Parish Uganda Link group held meetings during Covid, via zoom, and now continues to meet on a monthly basis. We are building on our partnership with St Kizito's Parish through providing support to schools and the local community. Our work now involves 3 main areas of activity.

The Pupil Sponsorship Scheme - funding support from our parishioners provides access to education for primary age children from families who cannot afford to pay the required school fees.

The Food Poverty Programme - this started during lockdown and with the help of Kilmore and Killyleagh parishioners we provide funding to alleviate hunger in the poorest of families in St Kizito's Parish.

Parish Clinic - supporting with financial help to complete the final work at the clinic. This much needed facility will provide access to basic health care at local level including services for eye treatment, malaria and general health checks.

For information on Pupil Sponsorship Scheme contact Kasia Wawrzynek, Tel 07706438258 or Geraldine Murphy 07752776043.

**Teconnaught Tuesday Club** will meet on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> April from 10.30am-12noon at the GAA Club, Rann Road

**Teconnaught Bridge Club** meets each Tuesday in St Columba's Hall at 7.30pm. If you need a partner telephone Denis 07713305938

**Collection Envelopes - Year 2023/24:** New parishioners can register for envelopes via the parish website [www.kilmoreandkillyleagh.com](http://www.kilmoreandkillyleagh.com) Parishioners are also encouraged to contribute by bank standing order. For further details, contact the Parish Office.

If you contribute through your envelope by bank standing order or cheque and pay income tax, we would ask that you sign and return the Gift Aid card at the front of your box of envelopes (put in collection basket with your next envelope) which will enable the Parish to claim back the tax you have already paid to the Inland Revenue on the amount of your contribution – an extra 25p or so in every £1 contributed. In recent years we have received back an average of £16,000 each year from the Inland Revenue. Many thanks to all who contributed to the parish during the past year.

**A Vicariate Penitential Service** will be held at 5pm in St Patrick's Church, Downpatrick on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> April.

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