

Killiskey Parish

February 2019



Announcements

Date of Issue: 27th January 2019

JESUS SAID: 'COME TO ME, ALL WHO ARE WEARY AND BURDENED, AND I WILL GIVE YOU REST' (Matthew 11 : 28)

CHURCH SERVICES

- Sun 3rd 11.00am Holy Communion**
Bible Readings: Jeremiah 1: 4-10; Psalm 48;
1 Corinthians 13: 1-13; Luke 4: 21-30
- Fri 8th 10.00am Nun's Cross School Service**
All welcome!
- Sun 10th 09.00am Holy Communion**
11.00am Morning Prayer
Bible Readings: Isaiah 6: 1-8; Psalm 138;
1 Corinthians 15: 1-11; Luke 5: 1-11
- Sun 17th 11.00am Holy Communion**
Bible Readings: Jeremiah 17: 5-10; Psalm 1;
1 Corinthians 15: 12-20; Luke 6: 17-26
- Sun 24th 09.00am Holy Communion**
11.00am Family Service
Bible Readings: Isaiah 55: 10-13; Psalm 92: 1-4, 12-15;
1 Corinthians 15: 51-58; Luke 6: 39-49

REVISION OF LIST OF PARISHIONERS

A Select Vestry meeting will be held on Thursday 7th February. On the agenda is an update of the list of General Vestry Members (i.e., registered parishioners). If you would like to be added to the list, please speak with Rev Ken.

LEADING PRAYERS IN NUN'S CROSS

Would you be interested in leading prayers from time to time in Nun's Cross church? You could start by reading prayers from the Book of Common Prayer or another suitable prayer book or material produced by local clergy. Alternatively, you could write your own prayers and receive suitable instruction, as required. If you are interested, please contact Rev Ken.

ALCHEMY CONCERT

Alchemy Music opens its 2019 season on Saturday February 16th, 8pm at Nun's Cross Church. For further information go to: www.alchemymusic.ie and <https://www.facebook.com/AlchemyMusicPoetry/>

UNITY GOSPEL CHOIR

The Unity Gospel Choir meets for rehearsals in Nun's Cross church on Mondays at 8pm. New members welcome!

ALPHA COURSE

Alpha is running on Thursday evenings in the Ashford Community & Heritage Centre from 7.30pm to 9pm. It commenced on 17th January and concludes on 28th March.

Alpha is an 11 week course, with an additional away day. Each weekly session includes a 25 minute lecture/video, 30 minute time in table groups or small group discussion, a bit of food/tea - basically providing an atmosphere conducive to participation, discussion and learning more clearly key principles in the Christian faith.

If you would like further information please contact either Bruce Alwood (087 2547538) or Rev Ken.

THE HUB

The Hub opens mornings and afternoons Monday to Saturday. Unwanted Christmas gifts are welcome!

On Thursday mornings from 10.30am LET'S CRAFT! meets in The Hub.

CLIMATE CHANGE

The United Nations has held yearly conferences on Climate Change Conferences since 1995. The 24th Conference was held in Katowice, Poland 2-15 December 2018. It was an international meeting to try and forge agreement on ways to reduce the rate and effects of climate change. Negotiators from 196 countries and the EU worked on The Katowice Rulebook, implementing the 2015 Paris Agreement. Means to effect positive change in three main areas (technology; human; nature) were agreed.

Why is it important? In the words of Sir David Attenborough: "Right now we are facing a man-made disaster of global scale, our greatest threat in thousands of years: climate change. If we don't take action, the collapse of our civilisations and the extinction of much of the natural world is on the horizon." Additionally, 15 year-old Swedish climate activist Greta Thunberg addressed the summit, begging politicians to take action for the future of the planet. Former US vice-President Al Gore told delegates they faced "the single most

important moral choice in the history of humanity". In our own small way, we can each contribute to tackling this issue. We can review and adjust our own lifestyles, discuss positive change with family and friends and lobby politicians.

TEA/COFFEE MONEY

Most Sundays there is an opportunity to socialise after church while sipping a cup of tea and coffee or a glass of juice. Many thanks to all those who organising and serve refreshments.

Donations are requested towards costs. Over the last few years, apart from paying for the tea/coffee and biscuits, the monies raised have paid for a large water urn and flask as well as mince pies and mulled wine. Thanks to all our donors!

YOUTH CLUBS

United Youth is a club for 4th to 6th classes. The next club night is on 2nd February and will run from 6.00-7.30pm, It continues on the 1st Saturday of each month in term time in East Glendalough School. The programme includes games, sports, crafts, outings and most importantly fun!

The Teen Youth Group is meeting every 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month in East Glendalough School 6.30-8pm. 12-18 year olds are welcome. Each night there are games, a discussion group and Pizza. All are welcome!

ASHFORD COUNTRY FAIR

The Country Fair committee will soon be in full swing. This event takes place on the May Bank Holiday Monday. If you can help in this or any other way with this important fundraiser, please contact Bernadette Glover, Amanda Mooney or Lesley Rue.

TABLE TENNIS

The Table Tennis club meets in the Nun's Cross school assembly room (downstairs in the new classroom block) on Wednesdays at 8pm.

ROTAS

We need more help with arranging flowers for the church and with organising tea/coffee for the end of services. We are very grateful to those who help the church in this way but would like to spread these tasks more widely. Rotas are posted on the church notice board in the porch and beside the font. Please sign up if you can!

PARISH ADMINISTRATOR

If your postal, email or phone number has changed please let us know. Also to promote events or post information in the parish newsletter or on the website, please contact our Parish Administrator Sinead Todd by email on: wicklolandkilliskeycoi@outlook.com

FACEBOOK

You may find the latest parish news and some great photographs on the Nun's Cross Facebook page at:
<https://www.facebook.com/KilliskeyParish>

WEBSITE

You may access the parish website at: www.nunscrosschurch.ie

CLERGY CONTACT DETAILS

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Please remember to pray for the clergy. They will be attending the Diocesan Clergy Conference in Galway from 4th to 6th February. The keynote speakers will be Rev Robin Stockitt, Rector of St James' Donaghedy (Donemana, Strabane) and his wife, Joan. Rev Stockitt was the minister of the Anglican Church in Freiburg from July 2001 until 2014. His first career was in education, teaching in schools in England and Nigeria, then in a college and a prison.