

PRAYERS FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is an international Christian ecumenical observance kept annually between 18th January and 25th January.

Here are some prayers you might like to offer for Unity:

Eternal Father,
we praise you for sending your Son
to be one of us and to save us.
Look upon your people with mercy,
for we are divided in so many ways,
and give us the Spirit of Jesus to make us one in love.
We ask this gift, loving Father,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

O God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
our only Saviour, the Prince of peace:
give us grace seriously to take to heart
the great dangers we are in by our unhappy divisions.
We confess our hatred and prejudice
and all else that hinders us from godly union and concord.
As there is but one body and one Spirit,
and one hope of our calling,
one Lord, one faith, one baptism,
one God and Father of us all,
so may we henceforth be all of one heart and soul,
united in one holy bond of truth and peace,
of faith and charity,
and with one mouth give you glory;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Heavenly Father,
you have called us in the Body of your Son Jesus Christ
to continue his work of reconciliation
and reveal you to the world.
Forgive us the sins which tear us apart;
give us the courage to overcome our fears
and to seek that unity which is your gift and your will;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

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Killiskey Parish

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Announcements

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"FROM THE RISING OF THE SUN TO ITS SETTING, MY NAME IS GREAT AMONG THE NATIONS, AND IN EVERY PLACE INCENSE IS OFFERED TO MY NAME, AND A PURE OFFERING; FOR MY NAME IS GREAT AMONG THE NATIONS, SAYS THE LORD" (Malachi 1: 11)

CHURCH SERVICES VIA ZOOM

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| Sun 3rd | 11.00am Epiphany Service of the Word |
| Bible Readings: | Isaiah 60: 1-6; Psalm 72: 1-7, 10-15; Ephesians 3: 1-12; Matthew 2: 1-12 |
| Wed 6th | 07.30pm Online Service |
| Sun 10th | 11.00am Morning Prayer 2 |
| Bible Readings: | Genesis 1: 1-5; Psalm 29; Acts 19: 1-7; Mark 1: 4-11 |
| Wed 13th | 07.30pm Online Service |
| Sun 17th | 11.00am Morning Prayer 1 |
| Bible Readings: | 1 Samuel 3: 1-10; Psalm 139: 1-5, 12-18; 1 Corinthians 6: 12-20; John 1: 43-51 |
| Wed 20th | 07.30pm Online Service |
| Sun 24th | 11.00am Christian Unity Service of the Word |
| Bible Readings: | Jonah 3: 1-5, 10; Psalm 62: 5-12; 1 Corinthians 7: 29-31; Mark 1: 14-20 |
| Wed 27th | 07.30pm Online Service |

Sun 31st 11.00am Morning Prayer for use on Sunday
Bible Readings: Deuteronomy 18: 15-20; Psalm 111;
1 Corinthians 8: 1-13; Mark 1: 21-28

CHURCH REVIEW

Lesley Rue organises the distribution of the Church Review. If you would like your name to be added to the list of recipients in 2021, please let her know. She is currently collecting the annual 2021 subscriptions of €40.

THE HUB

The Hub was open in December from 1st to 23rd (excluding Sundays). Sales were brisk. The shop now has extended opening hours, thanks to the appointment of a Tús worker. Due to Level 5 restrictions, it will now be closed until restrictions ease.

CAN WE ALL PLAY OUR PART?

As a new year dawns, the most talked about and seemingly pressing topic remains Covid19, perhaps followed by the last-minute Brexit/EU deal. However, an even more urgent problem has not disappeared – the ominous and ever-present threat of the effects of climate change. It will come to prominence again when Ireland is hit by a vicious storm, or blizzard or drought. During Lockdown, many appreciated the quieter skies and roads and cleaner air, while also enjoying the more obvious signs of nature and wildlife. This demonstrated clearly how a reduction in human activities lessened the impact on our environment. It should not be too difficult for each of us to make a list of how we can live more sustainably – maybe by turning down the thermostat in our homes and offices while improving their insulation, investing in warm winter clothes for cold weather, driving less while cycling and walking more, holidaying closer to home rather than flying to far-flung destinations (when holidays are possible again), growing more of our own vegetables and fruit, buying local, in-season food, reducing the use of plastic, wasting less. The list goes on. We can all play our part in becoming “greener” citizens.

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>

RING OUT, WILD BELLS

Ring out, wild bells, to the wild sky,
The flying cloud, the frosty light:
The year is dying in the night;
Ring out, wild bells, and let him die.

Ring out the old, ring in the new,
Ring, happy bells, across the snow:
The year is going, let him go;
Ring out the false, ring in the true.

Ring out the grief that saps the mind
For those that here we see no more;
Ring out the feud of rich and poor,
Ring in redress to all mankind.

Ring out a slowly dying cause,
And ancient forms of party strife;
Ring in the nobler modes of life,
With sweeter manners, purer laws.

Ring out the want, the care, the sin,
The faithless coldness of the times;
Ring out, ring out my mournful rhymes
But ring the fuller minstrel in.

Ring out false pride in place and blood,
The civic slander and the spite;
Ring in the love of truth and right,
Ring in the common love of good.

Ring out old shapes of foul disease;
Ring out the narrowing lust of gold;
Ring out the thousand wars of old,
Ring in the thousand years of peace.

Ring in the valiant man and free,
The larger heart, the kindlier hand;
Ring out the darkness of the land,
Ring in the Christ that is to be.

Lord Alfred Tennyson (1809-1892)

WEBSITE

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

YOUTUBE

The parish YouTube channel is situated at :
https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCpQzU9Ldt_uxDIUZt7Mv3gQ