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Sunday	26 June	
Killeen		10.00 a.m.
Thomas and Catherine Coyne, Aillemore, and sons Padraic and Tommy Joe and daughter Kathleen Sutton.		
Louisburgh		11.30 a.m.
P.J McGuinness and deceased family members. Vincent O Loughlin, 8 th anniversary. Paddy Gibbons, 3 rd anniversary. Ann Gibbons, 18 th anniversary, Accony. Deceased of the Kilcoyne Family, Tully Bridge. Basil and Justin Morahan. Mick Gallagher, Aitinaveen, 38 th anniversary.		
Monday	27 June	10.00 a.m.
Tuesday	28 June	10.00 a.m.
Wednesday	29 June	10.00 a.m.
Thursday	30 June	
<i>Wedding Mass</i>		1.00 p.m.
Friday	01 July	No Mass
Sunday	03 July	
Killeen		10.00 a.m.
Evelyn Lacey, Feenone, 18 th anniversary and her husband Bernard. Michael and Elizabeth Sammin		
Louisburgh		11.30 a.m.
Mike Fergus, Cahir. Liam McNamara, Bunowen, 10 th anniversary. William and Winifred Hester, Falduff		
Liturgical Ministries,		
Louisburgh, Sunday, 03 July		
<u>Eucharistic:</u>	Anna McGroddy, Ann Billington	
<u>Reader:</u>	Agnes Cox	
Killeen, Sunday, July		
<u>Eucharistic:</u>	Bridget Donnelly	
<u>Reader:</u>	Ann Marie O Malley	

Holy Communion for those with Coeliac disease
If people with coeliac disease wish to receive Holy Communion under the form of wine, they should inform the priest before Mass.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be held on Wednesday from 10.30 a.m. to 11.30 a.m. in Louisburgh Church. Feel free to call in for some silent time in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament.

Donations to the Parish:

With the planned closure of Ulster Bank we are in the process (which seems unendingly bureaucratic) of opening new accounts for the parish. In the meantime people can continue to use the Ulster Bank ibans for direct lodgements to the Louisburgh Parish Account or the Louisburgh Priests Account.



Donations can also be made at <https://louisburghparish.ie/donate> by credit or debit card or by scanning the QR code opposite into a smart phone or tablet.

The weekly envelopes will continue in use. Cheques should be made out to either 'Louisburgh Parish' or 'Louisburgh Priests', depending on the collection. Sincere thanks to all who continue to contribute so generously.

Prevention of COVID 19

With the increasing number of hospitalisations because of Covid 19, it is wise to take sensible precautions to prevent the spread of the virus.

- Everyone attending Mass or services in church is urged to wear a mask covering nose & mouth at all times.
- Use the hand sanitisers on entry to the church.
- Anybody with any covid, flu-like, or cold-like symptoms, should not attend church.

HSE advice is to continue to wear masks in congregated settings. Be pro-life, wear a mask and help protect those of us who are vulnerable to this virus due to age, illness, or compromised immune systems.

Louisburgh/Killeen Senior Citizens Outing to Knock on Friday 01 July. Coach leaving the Old Convent at 10.30 a.m. All Welcome including family members. Contact Teresa at 098 66460 or any committee member.

St. Vincent de Paul: For assistance, please contact 087 921 0885 in confidence.

Killeen Community Council Fundraiser: Sincere thanks to all the sponsors and those who donated. It was a great success.

Mayo Cancer Support:

Mayo Cancer Support provides FREE support services to those affected by cancer. Call (094) 9038407.

Synod of the Catholic Church.

Last Saturday at a gathering in Athlone the results of the submissions from parishes and dioceses around the country were summarised and presented to the group charged with carrying the process forward.

Fr. Tony Flannery has provided a useful summing up of the main points raised in the submissions.

Abuse is part of the Story of the Church.

Abuse relates to so many areas — our understanding of sexuality and of power; the absence of women in decision making roles; transparency and accountability in governance; clericalism.

Sense of Belonging.

Strong sentiments expressed around the theme of belonging and a desire for the development of a more welcoming and inclusive Church.

Women.

The role of women in the Church was mentioned in almost every submission. Several submissions called for the ordination of women.

LGBTQI+.

There was a clear, overwhelming call for the full inclusion of LGBTQI+ in the Church, expressed by all ages and in particular by the young.

Sexuality and Relationships.

Belonging, and not belonging, to the Church was linked in many ways to sexuality, sexual ethics and relationships. This has been a source of great suffering. Calls for a review and re-examination of all Church teaching and its understanding of human sexuality.

Culture.

The significance of the prevailing culture in shaping the context for journeying together, both in this Synodal process and generally.

Covid19 Pandemic.

There is still fear that the impact of the pandemic will be long term particularly on numbers attending Mass, and a knock-on effect on Church finances.

Family.

Many of the submissions placed a strong emphasis on the central place of family in all three elements of our Synodal process: communion, participation and mission. The Church is, in reality, a family of families.

Youth.

Young people and the groups that represent them were critical of the Church regarding women, clerical celibacy, and its handling of the abuse crisis. A significant number of them did not understand the Church's teaching on sex and sexuality, and the Church's position on sex was considered a barrier to participation by some.

Education and Catechesis.

The issues of religious education, catechesis, faith formation are frequent in the submission across all

age groups. The skills necessary for discernment, crucial for making decisions in a Synodal style, were lacking at all levels. Another recurring theme was the call to remove sacramental preparation and education out of schools and into the parishes.

Liturgy.

A lot was said on this topic, about quality and engagement in our liturgies. Homilies came in for particular mention as being too long, ill prepared, irrelevant, monotonous, boring, and not always connected with life. Issue of language of homilies and Church generally came in for strong criticism.

Adult Faith Formation.

There is a serious weakness in adult faith formation in Ireland. Our spiritual growth is stunted. As adult members of the Church, we are not sufficiently grounded in our faith, and do not have the confidence in speaking about our love of God.

Clergy.

There is much appreciation of our priests, their dedication, hard work, presence, availability, and pastoral care, particularly around the time of funerals. Many priests are over-worked.

Clericalism in all its forms was frequently associated with hurt, and abuse of power; the structures of the Church are not inclusive; they operate through patriarchal, hierarchical and feudal ways.

Lay Ministry.

The basic equality and dignity in our Church is rooted in our common baptism and a Synodal Church needs to encourage and empower the laity.

There was an overarching thread that the gifts of the laity were under-utilised by the Church. Their involvement should not be seen as complementary to the priest, but as each person's mission as a baptised Catholic.

Co-responsible Leadership.

There is a general discontent, and at times frustration and anger, with the processes of decision-making and exercise of authority at all levels in the Church.

The exclusion of laity, and in particular of women, in these processes is of note. There is a lack of clarity around leadership roles and responsibility.

There is a psychological and theological shift needed to adopt the Vatican II model of Church as the People of God, where everyone is using the gifts they have been given by God.

Summer Concert

Students of Louisburgh Music School, Louisburgh Voices and the Octagon Ensemble, are presenting a Summer Concert on Tuesday, 28 June, at 7:30pm in the Town Hall Theatre, Westport.

Tickets (€15/€10) are available from the Town Hall Theatre, Tel: 098 28459 and www.westporttheatre.com