

PARISH OF KILLEA, CROOKE & FAITHLEGG

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The Fourth Sunday
in Lent - Laetare

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MASS TIMES

Sundays

Faithlegg 6.30pm (Saturday Vigil)
Killea 9.30am
Crooke 11.30am

Weekdays unless otherwise announced

Wednesday
Faithlegg 11.30am
Killea 7.30pm
Thursday
Crooke 10.00am
Friday
Killea 9.30am

Holydays of Obligation

As announced

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Wednesdays 6.45pm-7.25pm
in Holy Cross Church, Killea.

CONFESSIONS

9.30-10.00am on the First Saturday of the month in Killea. And on request.

BAPTISMS & WEDDINGS & CERTIFICATES

Please contact the Parish Office to request certificates or to make arrangements for baptisms and weddings. Baptisms are celebrated as follows:

Killea: First Sunday of the month at 1.00pm.
Faithlegg: Second Saturday of the month at 5.30pm.
Crooke: Third Sunday of the month at 12.30pm.

SOCIETY OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL

For those seeking assistance or who wish to donate:

Tel: 051 350 725
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'I was blind and now I can see' – John 9:25

THE MASS

The Liturgy of the Word: The First and Second Reading

The Opening and Penitential Rites prepare us to receive the Word of God for which we sit to listen attentively as our focus moves to the ambo from where the word of God is proclaimed. Only passages from the Bible, from sacred scripture, may be used because only they contain the word of God to his people and were written under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit – other Church documents no matter how significant may not be used. The Church has a three-year programme of readings for Sundays and a two-year programme for weekdays so that we hear quite a large amount of the scriptures, though by no means all.

On Sundays outside of Eastertide, the first reading comes from the Old Testament and pairs with the Gospel, showing that both Old and New Testaments need to be read to fully understand Jesus and his teaching, reminding us too that our faith tradition has its roots in the Jewish Faith.

When there is a second reading it comes from the New Testament, from letters which were originally written to be read aloud in a public gathering. They recount the problems, joys and progress of the Church of the first century, much of which we can identify with. The letters also remind us of the catholicity of the Church as they were written for several different communities across a number of countries.

Last Sunday's basket collection:
Killea €635; Crooke €279; Faithlegg €413.

St Patrick's Day Masses

Tuesday, 17 March, is the Solemnity of St Patrick and a holy day of obligation. Masses for the holy day will be as follows:
Monday 16: 7.30pm Faithlegg
Tuesday 17: 9.30am Killea
11.30am Crooke

St Patrick's Day Emigrant Collection

The annual collection to support the Irish Episcopal Council for Emigrants (IECE), which provides services to vulnerable Irish citizens in the U.K. and U.S.A., will be taken up on St Patrick's Day.

Happy Mother's Day

We wish all the mums who come to our church today a very happy Mother's Day and that they may be surrounded by a loving family. We remember all those mothers who have gone to their eternal reward.

Evening for Readers of the Word & Extra-Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

A refresher evening will take place on Friday, 27 March, at 7.30 in St Nicholas' Church, Faithlegg, for Readers and Ministers who are asked to indicate their attendance by Wednesday, 18 March.

Easter Collection

Easter Collection envelopes for the support of the priests of the diocese and parish are now available and can be returned over the coming weeks.

What is... the monstrance?

The word monstrance comes from the Latin for 'to show'. It is a sacred vessel, usually ornate and often looks like sun rays symbolising Christ's presence. In the centre is placed the Blessed Sacrament. The monstrance holds the Blessed Sacrament – the Body of Christ – during exposition and benediction.

We remember in our prayers those whose anniversaries and remembrances occur about this time:

Jim Murphy; William & Kathleen Farrell; Kathleen Pinkert; Maureen Hutchinson; Francis Troy; Maura Cleere; Michael Elliott; Grace Connolly; Mick Dunphy.