

# PARISH OF KILLEA, CROOKE & FAITHLEGG

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19 April 2026  
The Third Sunday of  
Easter

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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  
E: [info.southeast@svp.ie](mailto:info.southeast@svp.ie)

## *The Road to Emmaus and the Breaking of Bread*

*John 20:19-31*

### THE MASS

#### The Offertory

The Liturgy of the Word prepares us for the second liturgy of the Mass – the Liturgy of the Eucharist, the sacrificial part of the Mass. In ancient times, those who were not baptised Catholics would leave the church at this moment.

We present the gifts to be offered to God – the bread and wine – along with the gift of the people for the upkeep of the church and the running of the parish. Only those elements which are necessary for the celebration of Mass are presented here.

At the altar, the priest holds the bread and then the chalice with wine slightly above the altar (they are still only mere bread and wine) and gives God thanks for them while offering them to God. The bread offered is unleavened bread in keeping with the Passover Meal requirements. The wine has a small amount of water added as this was the custom at the time – wine was stored in concentrated form and then ‘watered down’ before use. The water and wine have also been seen as symbols of Christ’s human and divine natures being united; as a symbol of the communion of Christ and his Church; and others have seen it as a symbol of the water and blood which came forth from the side of Christ after he was pierced with the lance. The bread and wine are placed on the centre of the altar, on the Lord’s own table. On very special occasions, they might be incensed using the thurible.

After the priest has offered the bread and wine, he then cleanses his hands asking the Lord to wash away his iniquity and prepare him for the key prayer he is about to say as he invokes the Holy Spirit. The priest then says the Prayer over the Offerings.

*Last Sunday’s basket collection:*  
Killea €518; Crooke €288; Faithlegg €305.

### The Parish Office

The parish office will be re-open on Thursday, 23 April. There will be no Mass in Faithlegg this Wednesday.

### Do This in Memory of Me Mass

Next weekend, 25 and 26 April, pupils preparing for their First Holy Communion from our schools will attend the Masses along with their parents.

### Confirmation

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be received from Bishop Cullinan on Monday, 27 April, by the pupils in our schools. We keep them in our prayers this week as they prepare to receive gift of the Holy Spirit.

### Good Shepherd Sunday

Next Sunday – the Fourth Sunday of Easter – is known as Good Shepherd Sunday and a day of special prayer for vocations to ministry. A collection is taken up that day to help pay for the education of seminarians for the diocese. Envelopes are available in the porch and can be placed in the basket next Sunday.

### Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock

The pilgrimage will take place on Sunday, 3 May 2026 with buses leaving from Tramore and Waterford. Tickets (€35) can be bought in the Cathedral, Church Street, Holy Family and St Paul’s Churches. For more information contact: Michael Drohan (089-4204804).

### Annual Trócaire Appeal

Sincere thanks to all those who contributed to this year’s Trócaire appeal which has raised €986.

*The Eucharist is above all else a sacrifice.*

*Pope John Paul, 24 February 1980*

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

Month’s Mind: Bidy Elliott; Norbert Flynn.

Mary-Ann Flynn; Kathleen Hanrahan; Jimmy Cummins.