



# The Parish of Ardrahan - Kilchreest - Peterswell

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Items for newsletter to be in by 12.00 noon on Friday [kaparishes@gmail.com](mailto:kaparishes@gmail.com)  
Fr. Joseph Roche PP

## Mass Times for the Parishes

**Ardrahan** -Saturday 6.00pm

**Kilchreest-Castledaly**  
Saturday 7.30pm

### Alternative weekends

**Peterswell** - Sunday - 9.30am

**Ardrahan** - Sunday 11.00am

**Weekday Mass Ardrahan**  
9.00am Mon-Tue - Thur - Fri

### Office Hours

Monday 10am - 3pm  
Tuesday 10am - 1pm  
Thursday 10am - 1pm  
Friday 10am - 3pm  
Mass can be viewed on line

[Kilchreest-Ardrahan – Parish Website](#)

**No Mass may be offered after 4.30pm on Saturday other than the Saturday Vigil at 6pm/7.30pm.**

**No extra Masses on Sunday with the exception of a funeral**

### Baptisms

**Ardrahan** 1 & 3rd Weekend  
**Kilchreest-Castledaly**  
2nd Weekend  
**Peterswell** 4th Weekend

3rd Sunday of the year



21st January 2024

“Repent and believe the good news”

3rd Sunday B



## Anniversaries



### Ardrahan Sat 20th Jan 06.00pm

Peter & Patrick Shaughnessy & Deceased Family Members  
Mick & Nelly Helly

### Castledaly Sat 20th Jan 07.30pm

Michael Joe, & Julia Murray  
Gerry, Kevin, Paddy Joe Murry  
Julie Corell  
Paddy Joe Burke, Tom Mulkern,  
Tom Mulkern

### Peterswell Sun 21st Jan 09.30am

James & Nora Brady & DFM

### Ardrahan Sun 21st Jan 11.00am

Fr Joseph Kelly  
Martin & Margaret Higgins  
Patricia Collins

### Ardrahan Sat 27th Jan 06.00pm

Miko Gardiner  
Mary Lynskey

### Kilchreest Sat 27th Jan 07.30pm

Michael, Martin, Eileen, Vincent & Mai Murray  
Thomas Finnerty & DFM

### Peterswell Sun 28th Jan 09.30am

Deila & Michael Fitzgerald & DFM  
Of the Joyce & Fitzgerald family  
Elizabeth Hehir

### Ardrahan Sun 28th Jan 11.00am

Michael & Dessie Irwin and Mary Henehan & DFM  
Mary Whiriskey  
Tomo & Josephine Curtin

Please Remember  
**Miko McInerney and Tom Tarpey**  
who passed away this week RIP

### Ardrahan Sat Readers for Jan

13th Mary Roche, 20th Michael J Helly, 27th Shauna Gardiner

### Sun Readers for Jan

14th Margaret Divilly, 21st Aoife Murphy, 28th Eadaoin Gardiner

### Ardrahan Ministers for Jan

13th John & Angela 14th Annette Nelly & Martina Glynn  
20th Ena Furey & Pat Murphy, 21st John & Angela Andrews

### Servers

13th St Kevin, 14th St Nicholas 20th St Brendan, 21st Bridget, 27th St Ciaran, 28th St Enda

### Castledaly Readers for Jan

Frank Moylan

### Castledaly Ministers for Jan

Marie Niland

### Castledaly Altar Society for Jan

Eileen Barret and Mary Burke

### Servers

Jan 20th St Ita

### Kilchreest Ministers for Jan

Regina Finn

### Readers for Jan

Richie Murray

### Servers

13th St Anne, 27th St Brendan

### Peterswell Readers Jan

14th/21st Sarah Mulkerins  
28th/4th Mary Fitzgerald

### Eucharist Ministers Jan

14th/21st Sarah Mulkerins  
28th/4th Maresa Burke

### Servers

14th St Enda, 21st St Ita, 28th St Nicholas

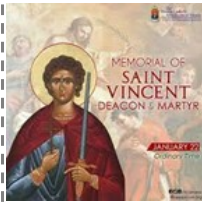
**Yearly Collection Box's**  
Are now available from the porch in the church .  
**Your Number** may have changed so please check.  
Please take one for a neighbour who is unable to pick there's up.

### Thought of the Day

Education's purpose is to replace an **Empty Brain** with the **Open Ones.**

-Himcom





### Saints of the week

**22nd St. Vincent** Deacon of the church of Saragossa, Spain. Martyred in Valencia after prolonged torture during the persecution of The Roman Emperor Diocletian . Died 304.

**24th January St. Francis de**

**Sales, 1567-1622**

Bishop of Geneva, founder of the Visitation Sisters. He worked with gentleness and love to rebuild the Catholic faith after the Reformation. Patron saint of writers, editors and journalists.

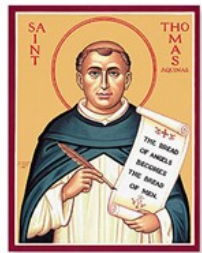


**25th January The Conversion of St Paul.** The feast celebrates the conversion of a man that was to bring the message of Christ to the nations of the world. The influence of Paul can be seen in the Acts of the Apostles and in his letters to the churches that he founded or visited.



**26th January Sts. Timothy and Titus** were close to St. Paul as followers and later in their work with him. Tradition makes Timothy the first bishop of Ephesus. And from Paul's advice to him to take some wine for his stomach's sake, he has been invoked as patron in cases of stomach complaint.

**St. Agela Merici, Tuesday 27th January** Foundress of the Ursulines, devoted herself to Christian education based on love, kindness with firmness, and concern for the individual. 1474 -1540



**28th January St. Thomas Aquinas 28th January** Was born in Italy in 1224. He became a Dominican friar in 1244. He studied in Paris and Cologne under St Albert the Great. His greatest work, the Summa Theologiae, occupied him from 1267 to 1273.

Patron of schools, universities, students and booksellers

### The theme of repentance looms large in our readings today.

People may long for a better future but still find it hard to let go of the past and embrace a better tomorrow. They fear the change will be too much of them. But repentance is not primarily our own work. It is, first and foremost, the fruit of God's grace in us. That is why we pray for it. But there is something we can do to facilitate the process. And the first step we can take is to examine our basic attitudes to change, for these can be the biggest obstacles to repentance. Some years I was speaking with a friend about the possibility of changing or turning around one's life. He said to me: *'Trying to change is a waste of time. Everything I tried has failed. It's just not possible to change.'* At the root of this attitude is a kind of despair, a loss of confidence in the possibility of change. Fatalism eats away at our energy, and undermines our will to change. It is not just opposed to hope; it is a sin against faith, which means trusting God and in what God can do for us and in us.

Another common attitude which blocks our embrace of change is complacency. The complacent person says 'I'm all right the way I am.' There was a lot of that attitude around at the time of Christ and there's still a lot of it around today. It is really a form of blindness. I fail to see the plank in my own eye, though I can probably see very clearly the splinters in the eyes of my brothers and sisters. In the gospels we see that complacency was the attitude Jesus found most irritating. For example, he berated the scribes and Pharisees who prided themselves on their observance of the law. He called them 'blind guides' because they thought they knew it all and had nothing more to learn

19, 17, 21, 4

Jackpot: €5,400

No Winner

Match 3's: James Geoghegan, Martin Gannon, Paddy Prendergast (Kilchreest), Alphonsus Fahy (online)

Promoter: Peter Caulfield

Next Week's Jackpot: €5,500



### Weekly Offering's

Ardrahan €870

Kilchreest €445

Peterswell €545

Thank You for your Support



• **Table Quiz** on Friday the 26th January Paddy Burkes Decking Area at 8pm, tables of 4 €40, Spot prizes and Raffle, 1st prize €200



• **Kilchreest/Castledaly/Peterswell Senior Citizens rescheduled** party is taking place on Thursday the 25th January in Village Inn, Kilchreest commencing at 6pm. For further details and any transport or diet requirements please contact Ann @ 0877643524, Bernie @ 08772217070 or Veronica @ 0872226741

• Are you caring for a loved one at home with additional needs? A spouse, partner, child, close relative or neighbour? Then you are a family carer! Become a member of Family Carers Ireland, the national charity supporting Ireland's 500,000+ family carers nationwide. Contact 057 93 70221 and hear how we can support you or for more info visit [www.familycarers.ie](http://www.familycarers.ie).

• **The 40th Galway Cathedral Solemn Novena to Our Lady** of Perpetual Help takes place from 5th to 13th of February 2024. Session Times: Monday–Saturday 11.00am, 1.10pm and 7.30pm; Sunday 10.30am, 12.30pm, 3.00pm and 6.00pm. Guided Holy Hour: weeknights at 8.30pm.

Info: [www.galwaycathedral.ie](http://www.galwaycathedral.ie) or Email: [info@galwaycathedral.ie](mailto:info@galwaycathedral.ie)

• **Table quiz for Ardrahan Heritage** at Bradley's Bar Labane on Saturday 10th of February at 7.30pm.



If you would like to donate spot prizes, contact Caroline at 0879743380 or Karen 086 085 3629

• **The Wild Swan Theatre Company Gort** are delighted to kick off 2024 at Gort Town Hall Theatre with an 8-night production of Jimmy Kearys' hilarious 'The Two Loves of Gabriel Foley'.

8 nights starting from Valentine's Day, obviously are sure to sell out fast and this production will signal The Wild Swans fully converting to on-line sales. The link to purchase online will be advertised with tickets to go on sale Feb. 1st at 10am sharp. Feb 14th (Wed) 15th, 16th & 17th and 21st(Wed) 22nd, 23rd & 24th from 8pm. Tickets €15 plus booking fee.

• **The International Youth Festival in Medjugorje** from July 31st – August 7th, 2024. Application forms and further information are available from the Diocesan Offices before April 12th 2024. LEAD BY Michael Duignan Bishop of Galway and Kilmacduagh