

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time **24**th **August 2025**

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Sunday Masses

St Ninnidh's Church, Derrylin					
Sat 23 rd August 7.30pm	Bridget Murphy (Corraveigha) AND Eileen Rodgers (Oak Grove) and The Owens Family (Gorteen) AND Seamus Gunn (Corratrasna)				
Sat 30 th August 7.30pm					
St Mary's Church, Teemore					
Sun 24 th August 11.15am	Joe & Mary Josephine McAdam (Corratrasna) AND Jim Waterson & deceased family members (Drumanymore)				
Sun 31 st August 11.15am	Raymond Cassidy (Drumlught) AND John Owens, his parents Rose & Jim, his sister Tina and Stephen (Aughyoule)				

Masses During the Week

Mon	10.00 am	Derrylin	NO MASS
Tues	10.00 am	Derrylin	Special Intention
Wed	10.00 am	Derrylin	NO MASS
Wed	7.00 pm	Teemore	Drumm Family (Gortaree)
Thurs	10.00 am	Derrylin	Special Intention
Fri	10.00 am	Derrylin	NO MASS
Fri	7.00 pm	Teemore	Special Intention

Walk of hope & Open-air Mass: The late Pope Francis designated 2025 as a Jubilee Year of Hope. All parishes have been requested to mark the Jubilee Year with some special event or pilgrimage. On Saturday 6th September Knockninny Parish will hold a short prayer service at St Ninnidh's Well at 7pm, followed by a walk to Aughakillymaude Community Centre where an open-air Mass will be celebrated, starting at 7.30 pm. Refreshments will be available after Mass. All are welcome to join with us for our Jubilee of Hope event.

<u>Kilmore Diocese – Autumn Programme</u> We are delighted to share two exciting events coming up this September: <u>Leadership/Facilitation Skills</u> <u>Saturday 13th September</u> – Kilmore Diocesan Pastoral Centre, Cavan. Suitable for anyone currently involved in parish life.

<u>Diocesan Youth Day</u> Saturday 27th September – Pastoral Centre, Cullies, Cavan To celebrate the Jubilee year of Hope, we are hosting a youth day for ages 13–18. Booking will be essential for both events. Email: Martina Gilmartin at <u>pastoralservices@kilmorediocese.ie</u> More details to follow in the coming weeks – save the dates!

<u>Ministers & Helpers</u>						
Derrylin						
Readers	Sat 23 rd August	Claire Maguire				
	Sat 30 th August	Martin McBrien				
Eucharistic Ministers	Sat 23 rd August Sat 30 th August	Michelle Maguire & Connie Murphy Mary Shannon & Martina Freehill				
Basket Collectors	August	Eunan Maguire & Brian McManus				
Care of Altar	August	Brigid & Michelle McManus				

Ministers & Helpers							
Teemore							
Readers	Sun 24 th August	Nathan McAdam & Aisling Burke Oliver Breen (Prayer of the Faithful) Dearbhla Donohoe & Family (Gifts)					
	Sun 31 st August	Tommy McGovern & Seamus Owens Aoibheann Cassidy (Prayer of the Faithful) Caitríona Cassidy & Family (Gifts)					
Eucharistic Ministers	Sun 24 th August Sun 31 st August	J McBarron, M Curry, L Prunty J McBarron, M Curry, M Drumm					
Basket Collectors	August	Gabriel Fitzpatrick & Michael McAvinue					
Care of Altar	August	Sheila Donohoe & Cait Maguire.					

St. Vincent de Paul: St Ninnidh's Conference can be contacted for support at any time on 07873240493

Big Bingo at St Ninnidh's Parish Centre on Friday night at 8.30pm. Great Prizes and Jackpot of £3,000 to be won, 45 calls or less.

Clachan Court: Jayne Orr (Chiropodist) will return on Tuesday 23rd September. To make an appointment ring 00 353 71 985 1772.

Rise and Shine Trust (Formally known as The Irish Pilgrimage Trust) Easter 2026 Pilgrimage: Applications are invited from young people with additional social, emotional, physical and learning needs

aged 11-30 who are interested in travelling as guests to Lourdes with the Rise and Shine Trust. The trip is free to Guests travelling with the Group. The application form is available online on riseandshine.ie Closing date for applications 15th October 2025.

Applications are also sought for carers aged 18+ who would be interested in accompanying guests on the trip. Carers applications at riseandshine.ie Please feel free to contact Sian (07960211352) or Róisin (00353 863380328)

Tús Nua's Irish language classes will be resuming on Wednesday 17 September in the Oak Healthy Living building, in Lisnaskea from 7:30 – 9:00 pm. The classes cater for complete beginners, improvers, intermediate and advanced levels. Everyone is welcome.

14th **Fermanagh Scouts AGM & Photo Exhibition:** On Sunday 31st August at 4pm in St. Ninnidh's Hall. The 40-year history of scouting in the area will be displayed in our exhibit. Everyone welcome.

Teemore Women's Group: Short break to the Antrim Coast 7th-9th September. Twin room pp £265 Single room £345. 2 course evening meals, B&B & transport. Pick-up at Lisnaskea fire station at 9am.

Did you know? In August 1908, the A.O.H (Ancient Order of Hibernians) hall was formerly opened in Derrylin. It cost £200 to build. A Hibernian flag (presented by a Derrylin native named Maguire, then living in New York) was hung outside the hall. Pat McKenna (also native to Derrylin, then living in New York) presented the American flag which was also hung but not for long. Police objected to the U.S. flag and took it down.

Derrylin O'Connells

Our family fun day is today, Sunday from 1pm-4pm with a range of activities for all the family- animal fun farm, face painting, food, tug of war and ultimate xsports hire. Please support. Our development plans will be on show for all interested or anyone with suggestions, feel free to discuss.

U16s are at home, Wednesday to Belnaleck at 7pm.

Teemore Shamrocks

Lotto: Results for 11th August: 4,9,16,18. £20 Ciaran O'Reilly, £10 Paddy Gilleece, £10 Dessie Baxter.18th August: 1,23,24,28. £20 Paul Donohoe, £10 Klara Kiernan, £10 Felix McCorry. Jackpot is now £6,150.

Prayer for Gaza



God of peace and compassion,

Our hearts break as we see and hear of the war in Gaza. We mourn for all of those who have lost their lives. We cry out to you for those who have lost homes and loved ones, and for the hostages still living in fear. How long, O Lord?

We continue to pray for an end to the violence and for this war to cease. Be near to all of those who are suffering. May they know your protection and your ever-present help.

We pray for the civilians of Gaza, the vast majority of whom have been displaced and many who are facing starvation. In this hour of trouble, may the way be opened for full and immediate humanitarian aid – food, water and medicine – to reach all in need.

We pray for aid workers, who continue to faithfully serve and help those in need. May you surround them with your loving kindness and help them to draw strength for each day from you.

And we pray for those in positions of power, influence and leadership; may you guide them in the paths of peace.

In Jesus' name, Amen.

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Dear brothers and sisters,

This weekend I call on all parishes to once more set aside Sunday, 24 August as a day of prayer and reflection for Gaza and for a renewed commitment by the international community for a just and lasting peace in the Middle East.

Sadly, since June, the situation in Gaza has become steadily worse. The people there continue to be cruelly crushed by hunger, violence, death and destruction. I join the heartfelt appeal of Pope Leo XIV this week for "a ceasefire, the release of hostages, and full respect for international humanitarian law." As the Holy Father said, "Every human being has an intrinsic dignity bestowed by God Himself."

The Irish Bishops made it clear in June that genocidal actions sanctioned by the government in Israel are resulting in the death of tens of thousands of non-combatants, many of them women and children. "This is unconscionable and disproportionate. It is immoral for world leaders to stand by inactively in the face of this outrageous tragedy for humanity."

We know that people in parishes across the country are deeply troubled by stark and horrific images from Gaza of starving children and helpless, hungry families. The cruel actions of Hamas in continuing to keep hostages, and the bodies of hostages, away from their families is also to be unreservedly condemned.

I encourage you to continue to show solidarity in whatever way you can: by lobbying your political representatives, supporting humanitarian aid and, above all, by continuing to pray for an end to the conflict and the resumption of peace, including the return of all hostages and prisoners. Pray also for our Christian brothers and sisters among the Palestinian populations in Gaza and on the West Bank who are witnessing daily peace and non-violence, even in the midst of provocation and attacks.

Please join in 24 hours of prayer and reflection in your parishes and homes on Sunday, 24 August. Light a candle in your family home or local parish church; attend Mass, spend time before the Blessed Sacrament; pray the Rosary; make some small personal penance or sacrifice, and on that day let the light of hope radiate out from the island of Ireland for peace, for Gaza and for the future of its people.

With prayerful good wishes.

+ Martin Hayes Bishop of Kilmore.