# Our Parish Newsletter

21st May 2023 - The Ascension of the Lord First Holy Communion Week in Kilnaleck Church

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### Mass Times:

St. Mary's - Sunday - 10 am; Also Thursday & Friday 7.30 pm

St. Joseph's - Saturday - 8.00 pm;

St. Patrick's - Sunday 11.15 am;

Note - no mass next Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday morning

## We Pray For The Deceased:

St. Joseph's		
Saturday 20th	8.00 pm	Lorcan Hyland (baby) 5th AM, Drumnalara
Saturday 27th	8.00 pm	Patricia Shalvey, NY & Formerly Kilnaleck
St. Mary's:		
Friday 19th	7.30 pm	Tony, John Brady, Mullycastle
		Bridget & Larry Comiskey, Kill
Sunday 21st	10.00 am	Susan (Susie) Galligan, Mullycastle, 1st AM
Friday 26th	7.30 pm	Kieran Gaffney, Drumbarry
Sunday 28th	10.00 am	Philip Farrelly, Aughterera, 6th AM
St. Patrick's:		
Sunday 21st	11.15 am	Jim Day, Barrack Rd 6th AM & Decd
Sunday 28th	11.15 am	Jimmy Fay, Barrack Rd

Altar Society June St Mary's: Clare McCabe, Helen Sorohan, Anne Reilly Kathleen Reilly

First Holy Communion We congratulate –16 children from Kilnaleck NS who received their First Holy Communion on Saturday. May the Lord Bless all 40 children who received their First Holy Communion in the parish and keep them safe always in his love.



We thank all those who prepared our 3 churches for First Holy Communion and Easter - cleaning, supplying and donating beautiful flowers etc. It is much appreciated.

<u>Lost around St. Mary's Church Ladies Ring of very sentimental value - it's greyish in colour with zig zag design around the band. If found please contact - 0861553930</u>



East Cavan Region PTAA Dinner Dance Sunday 21st May: Tickets €35 available from Rosaleen or Gillian - 0872450692/0868577102

Kilnaleck Sheltered Homes: welcomes applications for housing. Please send your application enclosing a letter of acceptance for social housing from Cavan Co. Council to Kilnaleck Sheltered Homes, Church Rd, Kilnaleck Co Cavan Kilmore Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock: on the 9th of August. 2023

Pastoral Council: A meeting of the pastoral council will be held in Kilnaleck Church on Friday 27th May at 8.30 pm. We hope all members can attend.

#### Islan

Islam is a prophetic religion, that mean's God is seeking man. In Arabic Islam mean's submission to the will of Allah and Muslim can be translated roughly as one who submits to Allah and his will. For Islam Allah is only Master not Father, he demands obedience not a relationship. The "Koran" is the Holy book of Islam. And the word "Koran" means recital and it is composed of 114 chapters. Islam is one of the fastest growing religions in the world. It is sweeping through Africa and gaining ground in former Catholic bastions like the Philippines and South America. Unlike Christian and non - Christian Westerners they are having more children and so their numbers are rising rapidly. Mohammed was at loggerheads with the leaders of the area of Arabia in which he lived. The top bosses did not agree with the ideas which he was preaching and they felt that if it was to continue he would cause division in the city of Mecca. He was spending a lot of time in prayer and he received revelations which led to accuse the leaders of heresy in 622 AD. He was driven out of Mecca where he had lived and they went with many followers to what is now Medina. But he returned and violently took over Mecca and within the next ten years of his life he spread his teaching across all of North Africa, across the straits of Gibraltar and into Spain. But his followers were defeated at Poitiers 732 France. Of course their historical record of violence and war beginning with Muhammed itself is even worse than ours. However there are many good Muslims who live their lives according to their conscience. And the teachings of Jesus whom they admire as a prophet.

# Alpha:

What is Alpha? Alpha is a series of sessions exploring the kerygma—the very basics of the Christian faith.

### Who is it for?

Alpha is for anyone because it helps to create a space for encounter. Guests explore life, faith, and meaning in an open and welcoming environment.

# How does it work?

Alpha is an 11 week course for churches to use to create a space and a culture where people are excited to bring their friends for a conversation about Jesus, Used right, Alpha can be an effective parish tool for evangelisation, discipleship and synodality. Based on hospitality, sharing, and open conversation, the same Alpha content is run all over the world, by Christians of all traditions, and provides a common expression of faith.

What does a session look like? Hospitality - Whether in person over a meal or virtually with a cup of tea, all sessions start with a time to connect, relax, and build friendships. Eating food together creates space for people to connect and share life on a deeper level.