



INIS CEALTRA PASTORAL AREA SCARIFF PARISH NEWSLETTER

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Parish Masses

November 2025:

Saturday: Scariff 6.30pm

Sunday: Scariff 11am

Weekdays: Scariff: Monday – Friday (inclusive) 10am

Masses in other Churches:

Saturday: Kilclaran 7pm

Sunday: Bodyke 9.30am; Flagmount 9.30am; St

Mary's Ogonelloe 11am; Whitegate 10am

December 2025:

Saturday:

Sunday: Clonusker 9am; Scariff 11am;

Weekdays: Scariff: Monday – Friday (inclusive) 10am

Masses in other Churches:

Saturday: Tuamgraney 6.30pm; Mountshannon 7pm;

St Molua's Ogonelloe 8pm

Sunday: Killanena 9.30am; Feakle 10am

Anniversary Masses

Friday	28 Nov	10:00am	Martin Kennedy
Saturday	29 Nov	6:30pm	Jackie and Mary Collins Patrick and Margaret Sexton Rogie Costello, his brothers Raymie and Caimin, & their parents Jim and Mary
Sunday	30 Nov	11:00am	Nora Moloney
Friday	5 Dec	10:00am	Helen Dooley
Sunday	7 Dec	9:00am	John, Delia and Martin Corry
Sunday	7 Dec	11:00am	John and Annie Morrissey John and Noel Whelan Mary Thornton

"We look, not to the things that are seen, but to things that are unseen", St Paul

The Advent Wreath

The Advent wreath is created out of evergreens, symbolizing everlasting life in the midst of winter and death. The circle reminds us of God's unending love and the eternal life He makes possible. Advent candles are placed in the evergreen wreath. Additional decorations, like holly and berries, are sometimes added. Their red colour points ahead to Jesus' sacrifice and death. Pinecones can symbolize the new life that Jesus brings through His resurrection. The most common Advent candle tradition, however, involves four candles. A new candle is lit on each of the four Sundays before Christmas. Each candle represents something different, although traditions vary. The four candles traditionally represent HOPE, PEACE, JOY, LOVE. The first, second, and fourth candles are purple; the third candle is rose-coloured. Occasionally, a fifth white candle is placed in the middle and is lit on Christmas Day to celebrate Jesus' birth.

Daily Rosary for Advent

The Rosary will be recited each weekday morning for Advent at 9.30am. Imploring Mother Mary to intercede to Jesus to grant us peace in our Hearts, in our homes and in our world this Christmas.

Our Christmas Remembrance Tree

Please place a white tag on our remembrance tree in Scariff Church to remember family and friends at home or away this Christmas.

Newsletter Submissions

Email: Scariffparish@gmail.com before Thursday at 6pm.

Scariff Parish Renovation Fund

As you are probably aware, the renovation of our Parochial House, as well as several improvements in and around our beautiful Church were completed during the past year. We really appreciate the generous support to date from near and far.

Contributions to date: €91,955

No. of households that contributed: 183

In order for us to reach our Fundraising target of €140,000, we would urge households that have not contributed to date to support this initiative.

Donation envelopes are available at the back of the Church and can be returned via the Mass collection baskets or to a Scariff Pastoral Council member or to the Parochial House.

If you would like to donate online,

Account Name: Bishop of Killaloe FTB and Scariff Parish

IBAN: IE24BOFI90441389674238

Pop Up Christmas Shop

Saturday 29th Nov, 10am – 6pm, Bridge St, Scariff, V94 Y2H7. Fundraiser for Gaza. Cakes and Bakes. Books and Crafts. Jewellery. Greeting Cards. Gift Ideas. For more information, contact Carol on 0872892154.

Sláinte an Chlár

Clare cancer support Kilnamona and Raheen Scariff fundraiser. Pop- Up shop clothes and shoes etc, coffee morning and raffle. Venue Éire Óg, Ennis Friday 5th December '25 10.00am.

Please join us and support our local cancer services.

Clare Kidney Branch: Christmas Dinner

Notice for Christmas Dinner **7th of December at 1pm** Temple Gate Hotel for kidney patients and carers. Enjoy guest speakers and local trad musicians. Contact Sharon on 087 1683136.

Offertory Collection

Thanks for your kind and generous support for our Offertory collection: 16 November €725.

New Parish Website being developed

Plans are underway to develop a Parish Website. As part of it there will be a section for “Community Groups”, we invite all community groups to submit a paragraph about their group, Contacts: chairperson, secretary, contact numbers if available and also any social media links (Facebook, web site et.) Please email to scariffparish@gmail.com before Monday 8th December.

Advent for All

A is for Alert- Be ready to welcome God at any time

D is for Do- Do something for someone else every day to show you care

V- is for Violet- The colour that shows we await our King

E- is for Effort- Give it your best to prepare for the Lord

N- is for Nice- Try to be nice to those around you, remembering that God lives within them too

T – is for Time- Jesus said, “You do not know the day nor the hour your Lord will come”. So let’s try to make the most of the time we have.

Scariff NS: Clothing Collection

Scariff National School



CLOTHING COLLECTION

Out with the Old, in with the New

*****RE-SCHEDULED*****

6th January 2026

DROP OFF BAGS between Sunday 4th January and Tuesday 6th January 2026 into covered trailer on the school grounds.

WHAT CAN I PUT INTO THE BAGS:

- Re-wearable items of clothing
- Paired Shoes
- Handbags and Belts
- Soft Toys

Please no duvets, pillows, ripped, soiled clothes or single shoes

We appreciate your Support and would be grateful if you can spread the word throughout your families and the community.

Thought for the week

“Life is better when you cry a little, laugh a lot, and are thankful for everything you’ve got”