

# SACRED HEART CHURCH ROSCOMMON

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## EVERY LITTLE HELPS

A suggestion often given during the pandemic for those struggling psychologically with their lives is to try and do something good for someone else. Such an action is often proven to make one feel better about oneself. It's no accident that Tesco use as their slogan 'every little helps' to convince people they're doing a good turn by shopping in their store!

The message for us today in Scripture is something similar in that being hospitable to others often does more for the giver as the receiver. To welcome God into our lives isn't just accepting the recognisable Godlike actions shown to us by friends or family but also like Elisha in our first reading it can involve welcoming a stranger and noticing Christ in the most unlikely person. It could be someone we don't even like in our neighbourhood or workplace.

The channelling of God's word isn't just confined to the sermons of saints and holy men and women but also through the weakness and fragility of all human beings.

Jesus says in today's Gospel to his disciples 'anyone who welcomes you welcomes me'

So let us be on the look out this day for Christ in the most unexpected event or person and that through our kindness and hospitality we welcome God's word into our lives with open arms.

*Fr Kevin*

### **Mass Intentions for the coming week:**

MONDAY	11 am	Austin Healy (Snr) Kathleen Folliard & deceased family
TUESDAY	11 am	Special Intention Kate Menton
WEDNESDAY	11 am	Denis J Harlow & Mary Harlow & deceased family, & Fr. Denis Harlow Special Intention
THURSDAY	11 am	Tom Ferguson Deceased of the Healy family
FRIDAY	11 am	Kathleen Banahan Nonie Waldron & deceased of the Moore & Waldron families
SATURDAY (Shared Intention)	10 am	William Conroy Martin & Margaret O' Grady Martin O' Grady (Jnr)
	7 pm	Vigil Mass
SUNDAY	12:15 pm	Sunday Mass



#### UPDATE ON THE REOPENING OF THE SACRED HEART CHURCH

Further to a meeting held this week of Roscommon Parish Covid 19 Support Team, a decision was made to reopen the Sacred Heart Church to public Mass on Tuesday July 21<sup>st</sup> 2020. This will give time for the team to make the necessary preparations, in accordance with the protocols of the Western Bishops and Government, to reopen the church in a safe and appropriate manner.

It is also important for parishioners to note that given the large nature of our parish along with the likely ban on large mass gatherings indoors continuing into the foreseeable future, weekend Masses in Roscommon church after July 21<sup>st</sup> will be arranged on a station area/ housing estate basis until further notice.

Further details on these arrangements will be announced later.

Sincere thanks for your patience and understanding as we make the slow but necessary journey to a day when we can gather together again, with minimal restrictions, as a parish community.

Parish Radio Masses will continue to be broadcast from Roscommon Church on 105.9 FM Monday – Friday at 11.00 am, Saturday 10.00 am and 7pm (Vigil) and Sunday 12.15 pm.

They will also be broadcast on weekdays (Mon-Fri) on Ros FM 94.6 FM and live streamed on [rosfm.ie](http://rosfm.ie)

Sunday Mass at 12.15pm will be broadcast on Facebook Live Video: <https://www.facebook.com/roscommonandkilteevanparish/>

Any parish updates can be found on parish facebookpage: <https://www.facebook.com/roscommonandkilteevanparish/>

#### **FIRST FRIDAY CALLS**

The priests of the parish will resume their First Friday calls on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July at the usual times. If any parishioner on the list wishes not to receive a call, please contact the parish office on 090 6626298.

#### **BAPTISMS**

Bookings for baptisms have resumed, please ring the parish office on 090 6626298 for more information.

#### **THANK YOU**

*Sincere thanks again to everybody for your generosity in dropping in your parish envelopes into the parish office and church in recent weeks. It is really appreciated.*

*It is hoped that we can purchase a permanent webcam for the Sacred Heart Church in the near future. This will enable church services to be video streamed live on the internet for those at home, in other parts of the country or abroad.*

*Thank you.*

**COVID-19 Support Line for Older People:** ALONE has launched a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to the outbreak of COVID-19 (Coronavirus). Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open seven days a week, 8am - 8pm, by calling 0818 222 024.