Louth Active Retirement Meeting.
This Monday 9th November at 10.45. we have a Garda from the Community engagement unit who will speak to us about our personal safety. We invite all to this event which promises to be particularly helpful at this time of year. No obligation to join our club but new members are always welcome.

Kilkerley ICA are holding a cake sale on Sunday the 22nd November in the Kilkerley Community Centre following 10.30am Mass. Proceeds in aid of Kilkerley Athletics Club. All support greatly appreciated.

ST PETER'S CHURCH CENTENARY BUILDING PROJECT – THE WORK GOES ON
As we celebrate 100 years of St Peter's Church, we are delighted that **Phase 1 is now complete!** The beautiful altar mosaics (€36,000) and stained-glass repairs (€5,500) have been finished, thanks largely to €30,000 from the Quid Games and €10,000 from a generous private donor. But the work goes on! The remaining phases include:
Phase 2: Weekday Mass chapel/meeting room (€20,000).
Phase 3: Complete rewiring and lighting (€160,000).
Phase 4: New toilet, boiler and storage building (€60,000).
Phase 5: External surfacing and drainage (€75,000).
With Phase 1 completed, the estimated cost of the remaining works has reduced from the original overall budget of €450,000–€500,000 to **€408,500–€458,500**, including associated building and professional costs. Since our Centenary Appeal began on 19th July, **€47,778 has been donated.** We sincerely thank everyone who has contributed, but much more support is needed. Every donation makes a difference & strengthens our applications for grant funding.
Donations may be made by cheque to ***Darver Dromiskin Parochial Account*** or by bank transfer to **IE62 BOFI 9033 6574 4782 26.** Cash or cheques may also be left with Fr. Pat at Readypenny or Fr. Gerry at Knockbridge. Please include your name and contact details. **Phase 1 is complete. Together, let us finish the work and secure St Peter's for the next 100 years!**

NATIONAL SYNODAL ASSEMBLY – WHAT WAS DECIDED?

On Saturday, 17th October 2026, over 300 delegates, including bishops, priests, religious and lay people, gathered in Gormanston, Co. Meath, for the National Synodal Assembly of the Catholic Church in Ireland. Following five years of listening, prayer and consultation, the Assembly considered 35 proposals for the renewal of the Church in Ireland, grouped under five key priorities:
1.A Church that Proclaims the Gospel – placing Jesus Christ, evangelisation and the sharing of our faith at the centre of Church life.
2.A Church of Belonging-building welcoming Christian communities where everyone feels valued & included.
3.A Church of Healing – addressing past wounds, particularly those caused by abuse, and promoting justice, reconciliation and healing.
4.A Church that Accompanies – supporting families, young people and those struggling with faith or facing difficulties in life.
5. A Church that Empowers for Ministry – encouraging greater participation and shared responsibility among lay people, women, religious and clergy.
The Assembly's recommendations have now been passed to the Irish Bishops for consideration.
What does this mean for our Pastoral Area? The real challenge is to translate these discussions into action in our parishes of Knockbridge, Kilkerley, Louth and Darver & Dromiskin. Let's DO IT !

Week of Witness for Persecuted Christians One in ten Christians, 220 million people, live in countries where they are persecuted for their faith. The charity Aid to the Church in Need, which works to support them, is organising a Week of Witness from November 15-22 to highlight their plight with a special appeal for parishioners to pray for the suffering Church on 'Red Wednesday' November 18. More information is available at www.acnireland.org

NEW LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINARS 2026 The **New Life in the Spirit Seminars CONTINUE EVERY FRIDAY** in St Mary's Church, Knockbridge — Come and discover a deeper relationship with Jesus and a **fresh outpouring of the Holy Spirit** through inspiring teaching, testimony, music and prayer. Music by the **Holy Family Prayer Group, Drogheda**, with guest singers and speakers each week. **Friday evenings, 7.30–9.00pm. Come as you are. Bring a friend. Give God a chance to surprise you!** Pastoral Area Office **(042) 6827418**

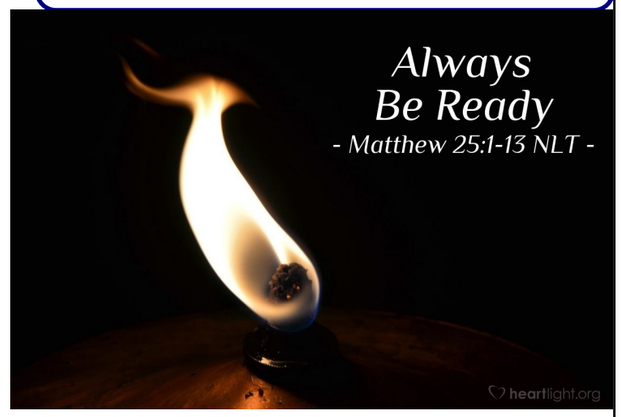
GATHERING OF FRIENDS: **Our Christmas Party is on 2nd December at 2pm, in The Valley Lodge, Carrickmacross. If you are attending, please give your name to Geraldine 086 280 0923 or John 086 1767992, or any committee member. Please mention if you will require bus transport.**

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Our Lady Queen of Peace Pastoral Area

8thNovember 2026
32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time



Darver & Dromiskin, Kilkerley, Knockbridge & Louth

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Our Mission: 'TO OPEN THE DOORS AND LET JESUS RETURN'

Baptisms: will normally take place on Saturdays at 2pm in each of the churches. It is now obligatory for all first time parents to attend a pre-Baptism course. Please contact the Pastoral Area Office for further information or contact the priest residing in the parish were the Baptism will take place

Weddings: Please contact Fr Gerry Campbell directly for all wedding enquiries. It is important that all couples who intend to marry make contact with the pastoral area office at least four months before the wedding (details above) to ensure that all necessary requirements and paperwork are fulfilled on time.

Confessions: Before monthly **Family Tree Healing Mass (Sun. 3pm Mon. 7pm)** or on request.

Visits to the Sick and Housebound: If you know of anyone who requires a visit please contact the pastoral area office. If it is an emergency contact the nearest priest.

Anniversaries: can be emailed to **olqopoffice @gmail.com** at least two weeks prior to the date of the anniversary for inclusion in the parish bulletin, or contact the priest residing in the parish where the Mass will be offered. You can also book with the sacristan.

All sacramental and pastoral area notifications can be emailed to **olqopoffice @gmail.com** no later than Wednesday midnight.

Webcam Masses and other events are broadcast live via webcam and can be accessed through either: **www.ourladyqueenofpeacepa.ie** or **www.churchmedia.tv** (Recording is possible on request by contacting the pastoral area office in advance.)

Church of Saint Michael, Darver

Sunday 8th November 10.30am— Dec members of the Fagan family, Brenda & Paddy Mackin, Patrick, Nora & Sarah Marmion, Remembrance Mass

Tuesday 9.30am: **Thursday 9.30am**

Church of Saint Peter, Dromisin

Saturday 7th November 7.00pm— Paddy, Nuala & Niamh Maguire & dec members of the Maguire & Lynch families, Jim Morgan, Remembrance Mass

Mon 2nd November . **-6.20pm** Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament **6.30pm** Rosary **7.00pm** Mass & Novena — **Wed**—**9.10am** Rosary, **9.30am** Mass

Church of the Immaculate Conception, Kilkerley

Saturday 7th November 6.00pm— Patsy McArdle M.M, Monica Cronin 1st Anniv, Jim Cronin, Margaret Farrell, dec members of the Rogers & Dowdall families, Eileen McElroy

Sunday 8th November 10.30am - Harry Reilly 1st Anniv, Paddy & Bridie Lynch, William Quigley

Tuesday : 9.30am— **Thursday 9.30am—**

ROSARY & ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT FRIDAY 6.30-7.30PM

Church of St. Mary's, Knockbridge

Saturday 7th November 7.30pm -

Sunday 8th November 11.30am – Mary Byrne 1st Anniv, Tommy & Mary Hoey & DFM, John & Mary Shevlin, Pat & Nan Keane & DFM, Darren Brennan, Sean Duffy & dec members of the Kelly family, Frances & James Murphy

Wed 9.30am— **Fri 9.30am**

Monday- Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 10am to 10pm

Church of the Immaculate Conception, Louth

Saturday 7th November 5.30pm – Sam & Kathleen Feely

Sunday 8th November 9.30am —

Tues 9.30am— Fri 9.30am

Our Lady of Snows Church, Stonetown

1st Sunday of the month 11.00am—
Second Friday of the month 7.30pm
St. Endas Prayer group Stonetown National School—Monday 9th November Mass 7.00pm

Recently Deceased. Please pray for Gerard McFadden, Patricia McHugh, Carl Cervi, Mary Watters (nee Woods), Mairead Brennan, Ollie Corrigan, James Nugent, Hayley Cunningham, Patsy McCann, Jonathan Glenny, Amersham, England, Patsy McArdle, Belrobin, Shane Irwin

Anniversaries for next week:

Darver: **Sunday 15th November 10.30am: —** Paddy, Marie & Maggie Cluskey , Eddie & Bridie Walsh, Johnny Woods, Peadar Kieran & dec members of the Kieran & Woods families, Michael & May McDonnell

Dromiskin: **Saturday 14th November 7.00pm —** PJ McKinley, Jason Mulligan, Mary McGuinness, Brigid Reidy

Kilkerley: **Saturday 14th November 6.00pm—** Nuala Woods, Christy Sharkey, Baby Colm McElroy, Patricia McMahon

Sunday 15th November 10.30am—

Knockbridge: **Saturday 14th November 7.30pm—** Remembrance Mass for those who died since last Nov.

Sunday 15th November 11.30am— Mary Corrigan 1st Anniv, Edward Corrigan, Josephine (Josie) Donnelly, Mai Mullen, Larry Steen, Kitty Lawless,

Louth: **Saturday 14th November 5.30pm—** Gerard Marron, James Kearney

Sunday 15th November 9.30am— Marian Neary 1st Anniv, James & Nancy O'Neill, Pete & Clare Kelly, Margaret & Gerry Watters

Collections

Dromiskin : 1st November €915 ***Darver*** 1st November € 463 **Louth** 1st November €945

Kilkerley: 1st November €1102 **Knockbridge:** 1st November €697

Mercy Prayer Healing' (MPH) TODAY Sunday 8th November at 3.00pm in St. Mary's Church, Knockbridge with Confessions, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, the recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet and the Holy Rosary. At 4pm the Family Tree Healing Mass. At 5.20pm Hospitality in the Community Centre. Everyone is welcome. The theme is: '**Keep the Flame Alive: Healing the Past, Hope for the Future.'** After Mass you are welcome to venerate a 1st class (category A) relic of the true cross

November List of the Dead can be collected at the back of all churches in the pastoral area from this weekend. Please take one for your family, complete them and return them to the sacristan. These lists will be included in all Masses celebrated during the month of November

November Mass of Remembrance : Darver : Sunday 8th at 10.30am **Dromiskin** Saturday 7th at 7.00pm **Knockbridge** Saturday 14th at 7.30pm **Louth** Saturday 21st at 5.30pm

Apostolic Workers – There will be **a Special Collection** on **the weekend of 28th & 29th November** in all churches of Our Lady Queen of Peace Pastoral Area**.** The Apostolic workers assist Irish Missionaries priests and religious. They do this through prayer**,** material and financial help**,** supplying sacred vessels, Mass kits, altar linens, vestments, and much more and they support missionaries in difficult and challenging places around the world**.** Your generosity enables this important mission to continue bringing Christ's love to those who need it most. Thank you for your continued support.

GAA Mass of Remembrance The priests of the Pastoral Area would like to offer a Mass for deceased members of all GAA codes associated with each parish in the Pastoral Area (Darver & Dromiskin, Kilkerley, Knockbridge and Louth) on **Tuesday 17th November at 7.30pm in St. Mary's Church, Knockbridge**. We hope that this Mass will be an opportunity for our PA Community to come together and honour players and all club members who have passed on.

Mass of the Angels: Every November we have a special Mass for children who died either before or after birth. This year the Mass will take place in **St. Mary's Church, Knockbridge Wed. 25th Nov. at 7.30pm.** All parishioners from our Pastoral Area (Darver & Dromiskin, Kilkerley, Knockbridge and Louth) and beyond our Pastoral Area are welcome to attend. Refreshments will be served afterwards in the Parish Centre.

Do This in Memory Mass will take place on **Sat. 21st Nov**. Dromiskin @7pm. **Sun. 22nd Nov**. Louth @ 9.30am Darver @ 10.30am, Kilkerley @ 10.30am Knockbridge @ 11.30am