

## St. John the Baptist Church and Carmelite Friary

The churches are open for personal prayer only.

### Monday to Friday

**Carmelite Friary:** 10.30am to 5.00pm    **Parish Church:** 9.00am to 6.00pm

### Saturdays

**Carmelite Friary:** 10.30am to 5.00pm    **Parish Church:** 11.30am to 5.30pm

### Sundays

**Carmelite Friary:** 12 noon to 5.00pm    **Parish Church:** 1pm to 6.00pm

### ROSARY

**Parish Church:** Monday to Friday at 12noon.



### EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

**Parish Church:**            Mondays: 9am to 1pm;

   Tuesdays: 9am to 6pm.



**MASSES WILL BE CELEBRATED BEHIND CLOSED DOORS AND  
LIVE-STREAMED.**

You can participate through the webcams:

**Parish Webcam** (log on to [www.kinsaleparish.org](http://www.kinsaleparish.org) and click on Live Church Streaming).

**Carmelite Friary Webcam** (log on to [www.churchservices.tv/kinsalecarmelites](http://www.churchservices.tv/kinsalecarmelites) )

### SUNDAY MASS TIMES

**Parish Church:** Vigil 6.30pm (Saturday), 10.00am and 12 Noon

**Carmelite Friary:** 8.30am and 11.00am

### WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

**Parish Church:** Mondays and Tuesdays: 8.30am.

   Wed, Thurs and Fri. NO MASS

**Carmelite Friary:** Monday to Friday: 10.00am

### SATURDAY MASS TIMES

**Parish Church:** 11.00am

**Carmelite Friary:** 10.00am



*Jane Mellett, Intercom Magazine, writes...*

## THE GOOD SHEPHERD

In Jesus' time, being a shepherd was not a pleasant job. Sheep became easily lost and the shepherd's job was to guide them back to safety. There were many dangers and the sheep were totally dependent on the shepherd. Shepherds would round up their sheep in the evening and guide them into their pen. But it had no gate, so the shepherd would have to lie across the space in case the sheep were attacked in the night. The shepherds literally lay down their lives for their flock. John [*who wrote this Sunday's Gospel*] compares the sacrifice of the shepherd to the 'hired hand' who is not really committed to the flock. He does what he has to but flees at the first sign of trouble.



This Good Shepherd Sunday, the Gospel describes Jesus as the 'genuine' Shepherd who wants a personal relationship with each one of us and who would lay down his life for us. The Gospel emphasises the importance of relationship as the shepherd knows his flock and cares for them. They 'Follow Him' and it is not a Facebook or Twitter type of following, rather it is a *genuine* relationship. Everyone matters to the Good Shepherd, regardless of their situations. We are told '*I know my own and my own know me*'. We are called today to follow Jesus in a more personal more intimate way. Even when we stray off the path and get lost, it is then especially that the Good Shepherd comes looking for us.

*'We think we are fleeing from God, but in fact we are running into his arms.'*  
(Meister Eckhart)

### PARISH OFFICE

**Hours:** Mon – Fri 9.30am to 12.45pm    **Tel:** 021 4773821

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📺 **Webcam for streaming Masses & Services:** <https://www.churchservices.tv/kinsale>

📘 **Facebook Page:** <https://www.facebook.com/kinsaleparish/>

### PARISH FINANCE COMMITTEE UPDATE

The Parish Finance Committee had an online meeting on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> April. The committee members are very grateful to all who send in contributions for the upkeep and running of the parish through the offertory, envelope and online donate systems. All monies received go towards the upkeep and maintenance of our parish.

The income from the parish offertory collection for January to March 2021 was €16,000. Due to Sunday Masses being behind closed doors since Christmas, this income was less than recent years (down 40% compared to quarter 1 2019 €26,000; down 23% compared to quarter 1 2020 €21,000).

The committee have a number of repairs ongoing at the moment including:

- repair of the church's heating system
- remedial works which have to be carried out to roof of the church on Our Lady's statue side
- painting and cleaning which must be carried out in the organ gallery stairs area and to the internal windows of our church.

Every Finance Committee meeting begins with a reflection and we always remember our parish community in our prayer. The committee sees its role as acting on your behalf to maintain the Lord's house as a place of welcome for all and your generous support helps us to achieve this. Thank you.

### ANNIVERSARIES



*We remember in our prayers:*

**Margaret and Patrick O'Sullivan,**

**Pat and John McCrae,**

**Maida Purcell,**

**Ann McCarthy,**

**Thomas O'Leary,**

**Donal Sullivan,**

**Thomas Lombard,**

**Nora and Dick Dalton,**

**Grace and Eithne Hegarty,**

**Willie Hayes.**

*May they rest in peace.*

### DARKNESS INTO LIGHT

#### BLUE AND AMBER 21 PARADE

**Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2021, 4.30am**

Brought to you by Kinsale Lions Club, Kinsale Youth Support Services KYSS and Pieta House. Supporting mental health and showing appreciation for our frontline workers and emergency personnel.

Details can be found at [www.kinsalelionsclub.org](http://www.kinsalelionsclub.org) or on the free Doing Business in Kinsale App. To register for or sponsor this event please log on to the website.

### WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS Sunday, 25<sup>th</sup> April 2021

#### A Prayer for Vocations

Lord Jesus,

Help the men and women whom you call to ministry today to find the courage to respond to your call; help their friends and families to support them in making their decision.

Many brave and committed people are needed to serve your Church. We pray that you will help them through Christ Our Lord, Amen.

### HOW MIGHT ALL VOICES BE HEARD ABOUT CHURCH?

How do we bring about a faith community where everyone has an equally respected and valued voice? This is what the bishops – and Pope Francis – are calling 'synodality'.

The hope is to have everyone share their insights on the Catholic Church in Ireland and through that process also bring about renewal.

The bishops are asking for suggestions between now and Pentecost Sunday (May 23rd).

Find out more here: <https://www.catholicbishops.ie/synod/>

You are invited to send your thoughts to the bishops by typing it at this page: <https://www.catholicbishops.ie/synod/submissions/>

### OVERSEAS VOLUNTEERS TRAINING COURSE SEPTEMBER 2021

Viatore Christi, a faith-based development organisation has specialised in the recruitment, training and deployment of overseas volunteers since 1960. VC runs an online volunteer preparation course covering Community Development, Health, Global Awareness, Mission, etc. This is open to all! Once preparation is completed, participants can be considered for volunteer roles through VC EU Aid Volunteers #EUAVI programmes. If you want to know more visit the news section of [www.vcvolunteers.ie](http://www.vcvolunteers.ie) or email [info@viatoreschristi.com](mailto:info@viatoreschristi.com)

### TRÓCAIRE LENT CAMPAIGN 2021

Donations can be made to the Trócaire Lent campaign in the following ways:

1. Donations and Trócaire boxes can be returned to the parish office.
2. Online at [www.trocaire.org](http://www.trocaire.org)
3. By phone: 1850 408 408 (ROI)

The contents of each and every Trócaire box, no matter how small, come together to make a significant difference.