

**Blessing of Crib and lighting the lights at Cooldorrihy Grotto after the 8 pm Mass on Friday, 8th December.**

**Christmas Eve Choir in Cooldorrihy Church**

If you would like to sing with the choir in Cooldorrihy Church on Christmas Eve, please come along to practice in Cooldorrihy church next **Tuesday, December 5th, at 7.30pm.**

**St. Vincent de Paul Annual collection** at Masses on Saturday, 9th December (Cooldorrihy) and Sunday 10th December (Toames)

**Santa Claus** is visiting Shanacashel Community Centre for his annual visit to all the boys and girls on **Sunday 10th December from 2.30 - 4.30pm.**

**Tirelton National School** now accepting applications for enrolment for September 2024 Please contact the school on 026 46362 or email [info@tireltonns.ie](mailto:info@tireltonns.ie) for enrolment forms. They can also be downloaded from [www.tireltonns.ie](http://www.tireltonns.ie)

**Dromleigh N.S.** Applications for enrolment for September 2024 are now being accepted at Dromleigh N.S. Contact 026-46212, [office@dromleighns.ie](mailto:office@dromleighns.ie) or visit [www.dromleighns.ie](http://www.dromleighns.ie) to receive an application form.

**Kilmichael GAA**  
Kilmichael GAA are doing a food collection for **Cork's Penny Dinners.** The clubhouse in Annahala will be open on Friday 8th December from 6.30pm to 8.30 pm; Saturday 9th

December from 10 am to 12 noon and Friday, 15th December from 6.30 pm to 8.30 pm. Items needed: gravy granules; peas, beans, soup, tinned food, olive oil, custard, jelly, tea, coffee, sugar, salt, biscuits, cereals, pasta, spaghetti, diluted drinks, toilet rolls. All donations of the above would be appreciated. Any queries please contact Angela on 085 2048392 or Louise on 087 2631085.

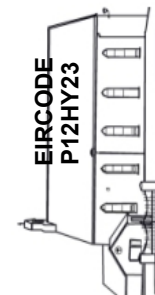
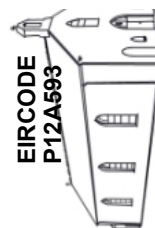
**Lotto results 27th November -** Jackpot €4,600. Numbers drawn: 12-23-28-33; Bonus prize winners: €50 Mary Coughlan, Templemartin; €25 Dermot Foley; Terelton; Christine Crowley, Terelton; Mary Hurley, Shanlara. Jackpot next week €4,750. Tickets on sale at local retail outlets and online at: <https://smartlotto.ie/kilmichael-gaa>

**Macroom Flower & Garden Club Committee** would like to thank all who attended and supported our recent Charity Fundraiser supporting Macroom Community Hospital at Coolcower House November 9<sup>th</sup>. The Club will hold their Annual Dinner at the Castle Hotel Macroom on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December at 6.00p.m. Further enquires 087-9821708

**“Raising Voices for Victims of War”**  
St Colman’s Church Macroom – Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> December at 7pm  
Featuring a spectacular Christmas Choral Event with over 150 voices raised together in song supporting victims of war. Admission is free. Donations on the night are welcome.

If you would like to include an item in the Parish Newsletter, please email details to [news@kilmichael.org](mailto:news@kilmichael.org) or hand in writing to Parochial House.  
**Deadline is 9.00 pm on Wednesday**

**Kilmichael Parish Newsletter**  
Family of Parishes  
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**3rd December 2023**  
**First Sunday of Advent**

**Masses this week**

Monday	NO MASS
Wednesday	NO MASS
Thursday 7th Dec	Vigil Mass Inchigeela 7 pm Vigil Mass Dunmanmway 7 pm
Feast of Immaculate Conception Friday 8th Dec	Mass Ballingearry 10 am Dunmanway 10 am Mass Cooldorrihy 8 pm
Saturday 2nd Dec	COOLDORRIHY - Vigil 8.00 pm
Sunday 3rd Dec	Toames 10 am

**See below Mass schedule for December 2023**

Drimoleague	Saturday Drinagh 7.30pm Sunday Drimoleague 11.30am
Dunmanway	Saturday St. Patrick's, Dunmanway 7pm Sunday <i>Togher</i> 9.30am <i>rotating with Ballinacariga on a monthly basis</i> St. Patrick's, Dunmanway 11.30am
Kilmichael	Saturday Cooldorrihy 8pm <i>rotating with Johnstown on a monthly basis</i> Sunday 10am Toames
Uibh Laoire	Sunday Ballingearry 10am Inchigeela 11.30am

**Kilmichael Christmas Cards**

The Kilmichael Christmas Cards are on sale at the churches and at local retail outlets. The Christmas cards share in a Tridium of Masses during Christmas They cost €3 each and this includes Mass offering and card. The Masses for the Kilmichael Christmas Cards will be celebrated after Christmas.

### **First Reading**

#### **A reading from the prophet Isaiah.**

You, Lord, yourself are our Father, Our Redeemer is your ancient name.  
Why, Lord, leave us to stray from your ways and harden our hearts  
against fearing you?

Return, for the sake of your servants, the tribes of your inheritance.

Oh that you would tear the heavens open and come down

– at your Presence, such as no one has ever heard of before.

No ear has heard, no eye has seen any god but you act like this  
for those who trust him.

You guide those who act with integrity and keep your ways in mind.

You were angry when we were sinners; we had long been rebels against  
you.

We were all like men unclean, all that integrity of ours like filthy clothing.

We have all withered like leaves and our sins blew us away like the wind.

No one invoked your name or roused himself to catch hold of you.

For you hid your face from us and gave us up to the power of our sins.

And yet, Lord, you are our Father;

we the clay, you the potter,

we are all the work of your hand.

The Word of the Lord.

### **Responsorial Psalm:**

**Response: God of hosts, bring us back;  
let your face shine on us and we shall be saved.**

1. O shepherd of Israel, hear us, shine forth from your cherubim throne.  
O Lord, rouse up your might, O Lord, come to our help. **Response**

2. God of hosts, turn again, we implore, look down from heaven and see.  
Visit this vine and protect it, the vine your right hand has planted.

**Response**

3. May your hand be on the man you have chosen, the man you have  
given your strength.

And we shall never forsake you again: give us life that we may call upon  
your name. **Response**

### **Second Reading**

#### **A reading from the first letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians.**

May God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ send you grace and  
peace.

I never stop thanking God for all the graces you have received  
through Jesus Christ. I thank him that you have been enriched in so  
many ways, especially in your teachers and preachers; the witness  
to Christ has

indeed been strong among you so that you will not be without any of the  
gifts of the Spirit while you are waiting for our Lord Jesus Christ to be  
revealed; and he will keep you steady and without blame until the last day,  
the day of our Lord Jesus Christ, because God by calling you has joined  
you to his Son, Jesus Christ; and God is faithful.

The Word of the Lord.

### **Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia!

Let us see, O Lord, your mercy and give us your saving help.

Alleluia!

### **Gospel**

#### **A reading from the Gospel according to Mark.**

Jesus said to his disciples:

‘Be on your guard, stay awake, because you never know when the time  
will come. It is like a man travelling abroad: he has gone from home, and  
left his servants in charge, each with his own task; and he has told the  
doorkeeper to stay awake.

So stay awake, because you do not know when the master of the house is  
coming, evening, midnight, cockcrow, dawn; if he comes unexpectedly, he  
must not find you asleep.

And what I say to you I say to all: Stay awake!’

The Gospel of the Lord.

*The scripture readings are taken from The Jerusalem Bible .*