



**KILBRITTAIN PARISH BULLETIN**

28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> March 2026  
Palm Sunday of The Lord's Passion  
St Patrick's Church, Kilbrittain  
Bandon Priest on Duty: 087 6472406  
Fr Pontianus Jafla: 089 9561256  
**Weekend Masses:** Saturday 7.00pm, Sunday 10.30am

**Mass Intentions:**

**Saturday 7.00pm:**  
Denis & Phil Galvin  
Sheila Murphy  
James O'Donovan  
Paddy O'Connor

**Sunday 10.30am**  
Oisín Gillain (1<sup>st</sup> anniversary)  
Kieran O'Driscoll

*We also pray for:* Sean Desmond; Michael Lawton

*To book an anniversary Mass, please call into the sacristy.*

**Visitation of sick and housebound** can be organised by sending the Eircode to Fr Pontianus by text/call.

**Weekday Masses** Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday at 9.00am.

**Adoration** Monday, Mass at 9am, followed by Adoration to 1pm; Wednesday 2 – 8pm

**Easter Ceremonies**

**Palm Sunday** (29<sup>th</sup> March) will begin with blessing of palms at the Parochial House at 10.30am, followed by a procession to the church for Mass  
**Penitential Service** in Bandon on Monday, 30<sup>th</sup> March at 7pm  
**Holy Thursday** Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7pm, followed by Adoration through the night until 6am.  
**Good Friday** – Stations of the Cross on the street at 10am (weather permitting), with Passion of the Lord and Veneration of the Cross at 3pm  
**Easter Vigil** Holy Saturday Mass at 8pm, with blessing of new Holy Water – there will be some filled bottles available, but please bring your own bottle if possible.  
**Easter Sunday of the Lord's Resurrection** Mass at 10.30am  
**Confessions** after 9am Mass on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> – Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> and during Adoration on Holy Thursday. *No Mass on Bank Holiday Monday.*



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**Trócaire** boxes can be returned to the church on Holy Thursday, or at any time over Easter.

**Stations:** a long-standing tradition in Ireland and Kilbrittain, where Mass is celebrated in the home and neighbours come together in faith and community. If anyone would be interested in taking a station at any stage, please contact Fr Pontianus.

**Chrim Mass** Bishop Fintan invites all parishioners to the Chrim Mass on Holy Thursday (2<sup>nd</sup> April) at 10am in the Cathedral of St Mary and St Anne. This special celebration of the diocesan family of faith includes the blessing of oils and renewal of priestly promises. Overflow parking is available at St Anthony's Convent, with refreshments afterwards in the Cathedral Visitors' Centre. All are welcome.

**Kilbrittain GAA News Lotto Draw 22/03/26** – Numbers drawn: 15, 16, 24, 25 – No Winner. €30 spot prizes: Mary Coughlan; Noel & Pat Hurley; Marsie Foolkes; Jessica Norrish; Paul Crowley. Next draw live on Facebook this weekend – Jackpot €5,100.

#### **Prayer for Palm Sunday**

Lord Jesus, in the midst of the festive crowd, you entered Jerusalem. Obedient unto death, you handed over your spirit to the Father, giving your life to save us. The lips of those who today acclaim you as the "Son of David", will tomorrow shout "Crucify him!" The same disciples that promised to remain with you unto the end, abandon you.

And I, Lord? I realise that I struggle to keep up with you. I realise that I struggle to express myself in prayer. I babble. I stop. I reflect. I realise that, like Judas, I am ready to betray Love with a kiss. Like Pilate, I am ready to defend the truth as long as it doesn't cost me anything.



Like Peter, I am ready to promise you many things, but I am equally ready to abandon you.

Like the disciples, I am ready to promise fidelity to you, and then disappear in anonymity. I also discover that...

Like the sorrowful Mary, I know how to accompany you in silence with a wounded heart along your Way of the Cross.

Like the beloved disciple, with Mary, I know how to remain at your side even under the cross.

Like the good thief, I know how to acknowledge my errors and entrust myself to your merciful heart.

Like the centurion, I know how to recognize you as my Lord and my God. Jesus, Crucified One, Son and brother, have mercy on me! Help me stay behind You, with You, to live in You and for You.

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