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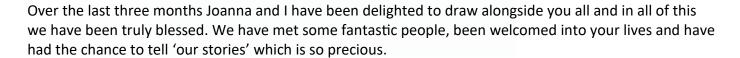
Kinsale Union of Parishes





At the start of every year, I sit down and review the experiences (good and bad) of the year just gone, and thank God for the life I have.

This year there is so much to be thankful for: a new parish, new people to get to know, new experiences and a whole new set of road maps to boot!



There have been so many memories made over that time: my institution on 4 October, the singing of the children's choir from St Multose NS, the Ecumenical Carol Service, tours of Kinsale Community School, meeting Santa in Ballinspiddle and representing Santa in Kinsale, taking part in the TY Alpha course, judging the Harvest scarecrows, putting together the Armistice Day service, getting to know my clergy colleagues in Kinsale Churches Together and welcoming so many people back to church at Christmas time. And we are making memories right now with our Nollaig na mBan service and the induction of Joanna as LLM (Lit) for the Kinsale Union.

Who knows what 2024 will bring but I can't wait to see how God works His wonders in our lives! Rev Eugene









Sea Sunday 2024:

Our annual service will take place on Sunday 21 April at 11.30am in St Multose Church. The service will be followed by a Parade to the Mast and the Seaman's Memorial. A wreath will be laid followed by a Blessing of the Boats at the Pier. This years service marks the 200 anniversary of the RNLI.



"Be a light for those who lost their will to burn..."

Confirmation 2024

Calling everyone who is interested in being confirmed in 2024! My plan is to hold five/six confirmation classes over a two month period.

I don't have a confirmed date for the confirmation but if you are interested, please email me at rectorkinsaleunion@gmail.com by 17 January. As usual, Bishop Paul will be hosting a day for all intended confirmands in the spring so the clock is ticking.



Celebrating Nollaig na mBan 7 January 2024

We had a lovely time in Church celebrating all the myriad of gifts our female congregation bring to our parish. To top it all off, Joanna Griffin was inducted as our Lay Liturgical Minister (Lit) for the Kinsale Union.

As a small token of our appreciation, the gentlemen of the parish sourced, baked, prepared, made tea and coffee all of which was served after the service.

Well done to everyone. It was a smashing way to celebrate 'Women's Christmas'! Rev Eugene



Friendship Club Annual lunch in the Trident Hotel 4 January 2024









Friendship Club: Meetings take place in St Multose Community Hall, normally at 3pm

21 February Pat O'Leary on the

origins of place names

21 March Talk by Ornithologist

Jim Wilson

16 April Richard Wood on

iconography

16 May Annual outing

details tbc

We all owe a huge debt of thanks to the organisers of the Friendship Club. Without them, the monthly meetings and the annual lunch would not be as enjoyable as they are. God bless you all.





Rev Eugene

At the beginning of every year, parishes throughout the Church of Ireland are required to update their parish registers. Those on the register are entitled to vote and stand for election at Easter Vestry meetings. If you would like to be included in the updated list, please fill in either of the forms below and hand them to a Churchwarden.

Schedule to Chapter 3 of the Constitution

THIS PART OF THE FORM IS FOR YOU IF YOU LIVE WITHIN THE PARISH (KINSALE UNION) No. 1 -Form of Declaration by a resident I, , of , do hereby solemnly declare that I am a member of the Church of Ireland and that I am usually resident at: in the parish or district of: in the diocese of Cork, Cloyne & Ross, and that I am not registered as a vestry member in any church or chapel or church hall within the same parish or district as an accustomed member of the congregation. Address Date THIS PART OF THE FORM IS FOR YOU IF YOU DON'T LIVE WITHIN THE PARISH (AS ABOVE) BUT ATTEND **SERVICES IN THE KINSALE UNION** No. 2 -Form of Declaration by an accustomed member of a congregation I, , do hereby solemnly declare that I am a member of the Church of Ireland, and that I have for three calendar months last past been, and now am, an accustomed member of the congregation attending the church or chapel or church hall of parish or district of , in the diocese of Cork, Cloyne & Ross, and that I am not registered as a vestry member in any other church or chapel or church hall in Ireland as an accustomed member of the congregation. Name Address Date

Services in Kinsale Union

14 January 2024

Kinsale 8.30am Holy Communion Templetrine 10am Morning Prayer Kinsale 11.30am Morning Prayer

21 January 2024

Kinsale 8.30am Holy Communion
Ballymartle 10am Holy Communion
Kinsale 11.30am Holy Communion

28 January 2024

Kinsale 8.30am Holy Communion
Templetrine 10am Holy Communion
Kinsale 11.30am Holy Communion

4 February 2024

Kinsale 8.30am Holy Communion
Ballymartle 10am Morning Prayer
Kinsale 11.30am Morning Prayer



If you would like to put your name on the email list for future editions of The Kinsale Times, email Rev Eugene at rectorkinsaleunion@gmail.com

Milestones

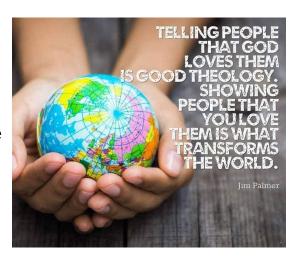
Our sympathy goes to **Ted Whitaker** on the recent death of his sister, Patricia who lived in Canada. Our thoughts, prayers and support go out to Ted and Marjorie.

O God, we grieve for those that are experiencing the devastating loss of their loved ones. Send down your Holy Spirit and touch their lives. Please comfort and heal their heavy hearts and make their faith strong though Christ our Lord. Amen.



Congratulations to **Kevin Gould** our St Multose
Churchwarden who was
recently presented with a
award and medal to make
20 years of distinguished
service with the RNLI.

Well done Kevin!



A 'Souper' winter warmer from the Rector's kitchen

At a recent Sunday Sermon I spoke about my soup pot which was once a Christmas present from my Mam and Dad. So I thought I'd share this recipe for **Butternut Squash**, **Coconut and Red Chili soup**. It's delicious — if I have to say so myself — and a great way to keep out the cold on wintry days.



What you need: 1 butternut squash, 1/2 deseeded red chili, 1 medium potato, three inches of leek, 1 can of full fat coconut milk, 1 or 2 stock cubes, mixed herbs (dried or fresh) and seasoning.

Step one: finely chop leeks, butternut squash, potato, deseeded red chili and herbs and put them into the soup pot.

Pour in 1.5 liters of boiling water and turn on the hob. It's better if you can give this soup a bit of time so don't boil it but let it gently cook. Keep a eye on it because the liquid will reduce.

Step two: When all the ingredients in the pot are cooked, everything will have gone squishy—don't you just love the technical term. Add the stock cubes and as these can be salty, I'll leave it up to you whether you use 1 or two. Give the mixture a couple of minutes on a low heat and then whisk with a hand blender.



Step three: Taste for seasoning. Fold in the can of full fat coconut milk. Put back on low heat for a couple of minutes to let the milk melt in. If you need to make the soup less thick, pour in some more hot water (this is a bit of trial and error).



Joy to the world

Serve with crusty bread, brown bread, sandwiches, bread roles or whatever takes your fancy and enjoy!

Congratulations!

Funds collected in St Multose church over the Advent and Christmas season at the Kinsale Voices concert and the Ecumenical Carol Service, meant that we could send cheques to SVDP €1,530, KYSS €700 and West Cork Rapid Response €700. Well done everyone!