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# Kilbrittain Parish Weekly Bulletin

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## 5th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### Masses this week

Monday: 9.00am

Tuesday: NO MASS

Wed, Thurs and Fri 9.00 am

Saturday 10.00 am

### Lourdes Special Collection

**NOTE (Good news!)**

**Because there could be no Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage for the last two years and no expenses incurred, the Lourdes collection fixed for next weekend, 12/13 Feb, has been cancelled. Therefore you can ignore the Lourdes envelope in your boxes.**

### Eucharistic Adoration

Mondays 9.30 am to 1.00 pm

Wednesdays 2.00 to 8.00 p m

There are 168 hours in one week.

Jesus said 'Could you not watch one hour with me'.

### Upcoming Liturgies

First Confessions

Tue 22nd Feb at 11.00 am

Ash Wednesday

March 2nd

Confirmations

Thurs 25th March at 10.30 am

Easter Sunday

17th April

First Holy Communions

Sat 14th May at 11.00 am

### Altar Servers' Rota

New Rota covering up to the end of April 2022 is now online at [www.kilbrittain.org](http://www.kilbrittain.org) and printed copies are available in the sacristy.

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BAPTISMS:

Sat and 11.30 Sun or by arrangement.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:

Mon 9:30 to 1; Wed 2 to 8

### Bloody Sunday and Abortion

This week saw the 50th anniversary of Bloody Sunday on 30th January 1972 when 14 Catholic protestors were shot in cold blood by British troops. It was an event of such horror that it still casts a shadow over our island after half a century.

This week also saw the publication of Abortion statistics for the Republic of Ireland -- 20,424 unborn children murdered since Repeal of the Right To Life. This represents an average of 18 deaths every day, seven days a week, year in year out. The Political Parties which condemned the slaughter of the innocent on Bloody Sunday are the same ones who enthusiastically and joyfully led the push for a change in the constitution.

At the rate of 18 murders a day, and rising, every day is Bloody Sunday for the Irish aborted unborn.

*Adapted from  
[www.catholicarena.com](http://www.catholicarena.com)*

### TODAY'S GOSPEL

For all of us who have ever felt unworthy or inadequate in answering Jesus' call to discipleship, St Augustine has the answer for us:

If Christ had first chosen a man skilled in public speaking, such a man might have said, 'I have been chosen because of my eloquence.' Had he chosen a senator, the senator might have said, 'I have been chosen because of my rank'. If

his first choice had been an emperor, the emperor might have said, 'I have been chosen for the sake of the power I have at my disposal'. But Christ says, 'Give me this fisherman, this man without education or experience, this man to whom no senator would deign to speak, not even if he were buying fish! Yes, give me him! Once I have taken possession of him, it will be obvious that it is I who am at work in him. Although I mean to include senators, orators and emperors among my recruits, even when I have won over the senator I shall still be surer of this fisherman. The senator can always take pride in what he is; so can the orator and emperor, but the fisherman can glory in nothing except Christ alone. Any of these others May come and take lessons from me in the importance of humility for salvation, but let the fisherman come first. He is the best person to win over an emperor.

(Augustine, Sermon 43, 5-7).

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