



Collooney & Ballinacarrow (Kilvarnet) Parish Newsletter

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Office Hours (Secretary present): 9.30 am – 12.30 pm (Monday – Friday)

October 10th & 11th 2026 – Twenty Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Church of the Assumption, Collooney – Masses

Sat. 10 th 6.45 pm	John & Kathleen Henry, Tullaghan / Martin Quigley James & Lena Kirrane & dec. of the Kirrane & Nolan families
Sun. 11 th 11.00 am	Philip Mc Govern (2 nd Anniv) Lisaneena, Collooney & Glenfarne, Letrim / Paul Mullen, late of Gleann (26 th Anniv.) / Bridget McNamara
Mon. 12 th - Fri. 16 th	9.00 am Private Intentions
Sat. 17 th 6.45 pm	Evelyn & Michael John Haran, Lugnamacken, their son Michael & dec of the Haran family
Sun. 18 th 11.00 am	Bridget (2 nd Anniv.) & Jimmy Clarke / <i>Frist Communion Preparation Mass</i>

Church of St. Fechin & St. Lassara, Ballinacarrow – Masses

Sat. 10 th 6.30pm	Mary Clarke (1 st Anniv) & dec. members of the Clarke & Henry families Thomas & Mary Kate Mahon, Cloonacurra
Sun. 11 th 9.30 am	John Mc Grath
Sun. 11 th 1.00 pm	Memorial Mass for Coleman McCarthy, Queens N.Y., husband of Anna McCarthy (nee Keane) & brother-in-law of Bernadette White, Ballinacarrow
Sat. 17 th 6.30 pm	Lil Lavin, Lisaneena & dec. of the Lavin & Sweeney families / Patricia Faney, Finlough (11 th Anniv.) / Francis & Agnes Henry, Ropefield (Anniv.s) Joe Redican, Ballymurray & Redican family / Brendan Glennon of Toronto, Canada
Sun. 18 th 9.30 am	<i>Frist Communion Preparation Mass</i>

Offertory (Oct. 3rd & 4th) – Many thanks for your ongoing generosity and support. It is much appreciated.

Ballinacarrow Church

Readers 6.30 pm	Sat. 10 th Geraldine Dowling	9.30 am	Sun. 11 th Kiernan White
6.30 pm	Sat. 17 th Mary Coleman	9.30 am	Sun. 18 th Tony Bolton
Ministers of 6.30 pm	Sat. 10 th Ellen Conway	9.30 am	Sun. 11 th Volunteer needed
Communion 6.30 pm	Sat. 17 th Marian Nellany	9.30 am	Sun. 18 th Martina Scanlon
Offertory Baskets: Oct. 6.30 pm	Sat. Ciarán Duibhíir	9.30 am	Sun. Dermot O'Grady

Collooney Church

Readers 6.45 pm	Sat. 10 th Bernie Morrisroe	11.00 am	Sun. 11 th Ann Nellany
6.45 pm	Sat. 17 th John Walsh	11.00 am	Sun. 18 th Patricia McCann
Ministers of 6.45 pm	Sat. 10 th Sheila Gray	11.00 am	Sun. 11 th Paddy Giblin
Communion 6.45 pm	Sat. 17 th Edward Mullin	11.00 am	Sun. 18 th Kathleen White

We remember in our prayers – the soul of **Philomena Dwyer**, Keash whose funeral took place during the week. Philomena is the mother of Mary Anderson, Ballinacarrow to whom we extend our sympathies. Also, the soul of **Brendan Glennon** of Toronto, Canada, whose funeral Mass took place on Thursday in Canada. He is the brother of Bridie Lavin, Ranaghan Ballinacarrow. 6.30 pm Mass on Oct. 17th in Ballinacarrow will be offered for his soul. Also **Bridget McNamra**, sister of Fehinn Mullen, Gleann who died in England on the 2nd October. May they Rest in Peace.

Ballinacarrow Card Games – resumed on Thursday, October 1st at 9.00 pm and continue every Thursday evening. A great night is guaranteed with fantastic prizes on offer. All proceeds go to Ballinacarrow Church Maintenance Fund.

Ballinacarrow Church -New Rotas for Readers & Ministers can be picked up at the back of the Church.

Mission Sunday October 18th - annual Mission Collection for the Pope's worldwide missionary work taken up. An envelope for that purpose is in the box of Offertory Envelopes as well as loose envelopes at the back of the church.

Congratulations & Best Wishes - to Ms. Jane Harding who has been appointed Principal of Ballinacarrow N.S. We wish the best of luck, also, to former Principal Mr. Aodhan Brennan in his new role in Sligo. Many thanks to you both

A Bereavement Course - presented by Monica Morley, Director of the Knock Shrine Family Centre and Broadcaster at Midwest Radio commences on Tuesday 3rd November at 8pm at The Newman Institute, Ballina. The cost of the course is €60 and will run for the 4 Tuesday nights in November. To book a place please phone 096 72066.

The Monthly Bereavement Support Group Meetings - will commence on 15th October at 8pm in the Newman Institute, Ballina and will meet every second Wednesday of each month from October 2026 to May 2027 inclusive.

Deadline for submission of News Items / Mass Intentions - is 12.00 pm on the previous Wednesday.

Thought for the Day - The world is a book, and those who do not travel read only one page (St. Augustine).

Additional news items - are available on the online Newsletter. See www.kilvarnetparish.com/newsletters

Please note – No 9.00 am Mass in Collooney on the morning of a funeral unless there is a named Mass intention.

One Day Rosary Retreat - on Saturday October 17th from 11am to 4:30pm at Fr Peyton Centre, Attymass, Ballina Co. Mayo F26 X884. The day includes spiritual talks, reflection, quiet time, rosary and Mass. The cost is €25, which includes tea, coffee on arrival & light lunch. Booking is essential. For enquiries and booking contact Fina 096 45374 / **Friends of Carmel Gathering** - at Holy Hill Hermitage F91 CA24 on Saturday 17 October 2026 from 10am to 4pm. To book email friendsofcarmel@gmail.com.

Irish Conversation Classes for Beginners / Improvers in Ballintogher Enterprise Centre -F91 C2 HT Thursday nights - Time 7.30pm to 8.45pm. Enq - 087 6645509 or Email teresamccorm@hotmail.com

Western Alzheimers - urgently need *Volunteer Befrienders* in your area. Do you have one to two hours per week to spare ? Contact Lucy at 094-9364900 or 087-3694477.

Cloonacool Players - Watch this space as Cloonacool Players, our stars of comedy, are now in rehearsals and will soon announce their staging of two hilarious farces. Mighty surprises and laughs galore are on the horizon.

Supporting Children (8 - 11 years) grow in faith and friendship: New and emerging *Faith & Fun Clubs* in the Achonry and Elphin Dioceses now enrolling for 2026/2027 school year. More info at <https://achonryelphin.ie/fafc/>

Dioceses of Achonry & Elphin 2026/2027 Scripture Initiative: New groups and facilitators being sought. Please consider. Enquiries welcome. More information at www.achonryelphin.ie/scripture

Thanks – to all, from far and near, who watch services online and who have contributed to our online appeal to keep the service available. Your contributions are much appreciated and help in the provision of this outreach service.

Thank You – to all who clean our churches on a regular basis. Their work goes on, often unnoticed, but always greatly appreciated. Thank you !

A Prayerful Atmosphere – should prevail at all times in our churches, especially when Masses are being celebrated. Mobile phones should be turned off & there should be no talking. People who come to pray should not be distracted.

Receipts – for those who contributed by cash to *Collooney Cemetery Footpath Appeal* are available from the sacristy.

Walk – every second week - starting at 10.30 am from Ballinacarrow Community Centre led by a trained Walk Leader. Free to join. Spend time outdoors. Meet others. Let us know you are coming on www.walkingforall.com

The St Nathy's Cemetery Committee in Collooney would like to thank all those that have contributed to the Path Improvement Fund so far and remind families who wish be associated with this project to get their contribution in as soon as practical. The general contribution level to date has been €100 per family plot. Further information, if required, from Joe on (087) 2604494. If people wish to donate using a bank transfer please use the following dedicated account for this purpose. Please ensure to put a name for reference with the payment.

AIB Bank. St Nathy's Cemetery IBAN IE03AIBK93725821591039

Moving Parents And Children Together (M-PACT) - You don't have to be addicted to suffer from addiction! M-PACT is a free eight-week family programme which supports all family members affected by parental substance misuse and helps to improve relationships, communication and recovery for all. If interested, or would like further information, please contact (071) 9150578 / (085) 875 9313 or email sligoleitrim@alcoholforum.com

Anyone in hospital / a nursing home - who would like a visit, please let Fr. Martin know.

Would you like someone to talk to? *SeniorLine* is Ireland's national telephone service for older people and is open every day of the year 10am -10pm, Freephone 1800 80 45 91. Callers may feel isolated, alone, wish to discuss a problem in confidence, or for company during their day. *SeniorLine's* older volunteers are trained to listen, to support, to discuss options & to refer caller to other helpful services if necessary. So don't be alone. It helps to share a problem.

Collooney Church Conservation – Many thanks to all for your very generous response to the monthly collection.

Loose Envelopes – are available in Collooney Church for those who wish to support the project and who do not currently use the offertory envelope system. Also available in Ballinacarrow for anyone who would like to support the project.

The weekly bereavement support group – meets at Knock Shrine on Wednesday mornings at 11am in the Family Centre. It provides an opportunity for those who have lost a loved one to meet others who are bereaved and to share and talk about their experience of loss as well as find hope and healing again in their lives. No appointment is needed.

Please Note – if receiving Holy Communion, it must be consumed *immediately* and *must not* be brought back to your seat or brought away. Holy Communion is so sacred and so precious that it must always be shown total respect.

Family Carers Ireland - Are you caring for a loved one at home with additional needs? A spouse, partner, child, close relative or neighbour? Then you are a family carer! Become a member of Family Carers Ireland, the charity supporting Ireland's 500,000+ family carers nationwide. For more info call 057 93 70221 or visit www.familycarers.ie.

KILLEADAN PARISH NEWSLETTER

MASSES:

Saturday Evenings: 7.30pm; Sundays: 10.30am

Holy Days: 10.0am & 7.30pm

All Weekdays: 10.00am

Friday Evenings: 7.30pm

CONFESSIONS: St Joseph's Chapel

Saturdays @ 2.00pm or by appointment

EXPOSITION: Every Thursday 10.30am-7.00pm

Every Friday 10.30am-7.30pm

Rev. Michael Quinn P.P.

Parochial House

094 93 81198/087 9082 342



CHURCH OF THE HOLY FAMILY

Rev. Pat Lynch (Priest in Residence)

087 2842 405/094 93 81492

Deacon Martin Lynch

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Church of the Holy Family Kiltimagh

NEWSLETTER ITEMS:Email: swinfordparish@gmail.com

Office Hours: 9-11am & 2.30-5.30pm, Mon-Fri

Mass Bookings: 094 92 53607

TWENTY EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday 10th October	07.30pm	Patrick (Frank) Walsh, Birmingham, formerly Cullilea West, 1st Anniversary
Sunday 11th October	10.30am	Thomas & Mary-Ann Gallagher, Cullilea & their son-in-law Paddy Murray
Monday 12th October	10.00am	People of the Parish
Tuesday 13th October	10.00am	Pádraig Gilligan, Cordarragh, 7th Anniversary
Wednesday 14th October	10.00am	Twenty Eighth Week in Ordinary Time
Thursday 15th October	10.00am	Twenty Eighth Week in Ordinary Time
Friday 16th October	10.00am	Memorial of St Teresa of Avila, Virgin and Doctor of the Church
		Margaret Dunleavy, Greenfields
	07.30pm	Memorial of St Margaret Mary Alacoque, Virgin
		Special Intention
Saturday 17th October	10.00am	Memorial of St Margaret Mary Alacoque, Virgin
		Memorial of St Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop and Martyr
		Mary & Michael Corry, Garryroe & Thomas St. & dec'd members of the Corry family

TWENTY NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday 17th October	07.30pm	Timmy Sullivan & Ellen & Anthony Kavanagh, Thomas St.
		Tommy Govin, Thomas St., 1st Anniversary.
		Johnny Roughneen, 2nd Anniversary, his brother Paul & dec'd members of the Roughneen & Creighton families.
		Dan Dempsey, Aiden St., his daughters Nessa & Lenore & son-in-law Paul.
Sunday 18th October	10.30am	People of the Parish

PRAY for Stephen Byrne, Wigan, England, formerly Derrykinlough and Treenkeel (brother of Paddy Byrne, Aiden St) whose funeral will take place in Wigan next week. Joseph Sheerin, Carrandine/ Ballinamore Nursing Home whose funeral took place on Monday last and Lily Slattery, Knock/ St Louis Community School, whose funeral took place on Friday. We pray God's strength for Lily's family, friends and fellow students.

28th SUNDAY: Today's readings tell us that God has wonderful things in store for us. Everyone, no matter what kind of past they have had, receives the same invitation to sit down at God's table. However, having initially answered the invitation, we cannot take things for granted. There is no room for complacency. Almost more dangerous than being an obviously sinful person is being the 'ordinary, run-of-the-mill Catholic', the 'Sunday' Catholic, the 'I'm a good enough Catholic', the 'I'm a Catholic, but not a fanatic about my religion'. These are all cop-outs. And it is not God, but ourselves who are the losers. (sacredspace.com)

THU 15: St Teresa of Avila, 1515-82 reformer and Discalced Carmelite nun. Nada te turbe – popularised by a Taizé chant means, "Let nothing disturb you". This is a Spanish saying and was the motto of Teresa of Avila, Carmelite reformer and mystic. She founded the reformed ("discalced") Carmelites and in spite of much opposition saw her reforms through.

FRI 16: St Margaret Mary Alacoque (1647-90) visionary. In many Irish churches you will see a stained glass window depicting Our Lord Jesus revealing his Sacred Heart to St Margaret Mary Alacoque. These windows bear witness to the enormous popularity of devotion to the Sacred Heart and the influence of St Margaret Mary Alacoque in spreading it. She is one of the Church's most famous visionaries.

SAT 17: St Ignatius of Antioch (c.37-107) bishop and martyr, is also called "Theophoros", meaning "God-bearer", was an early martyr, who is best known from the seven letters he wrote to various churches in Asia Minor with his strong theology of the humanity of Jesus and his presence in the Eucharist. Promoted bishop's role as a figure of unity in the Church.

MISSION MONTH: In the Catholic Church, October has long been associated with mission. The month starts with the feast of St Thérèse of Lisieux, Patron of missions and celebrates World Mission Sunday on October 18th—a special day of prayer and global solidarity celebrated in all Catholic parishes around the world.

HARVEST MASS of Thanksgiving for all God's abundant gifts this Sunday Oct 11th at 10.30am.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL meeting this Monday, October 12th 8pm in Parish Centre.

ONLINE ADDRESSES: kiltimaghparish.org or churchtv.ie/Kiltimagh/ achonryelphin.ie

HOLY FACE DEVOTIONS taking place in the Church of The Holy Family Kiltimagh, every Tuesday from 18.40pm to 19.20pm

POPE'S INTENTION FOR OCTOBER: For mental health ministry – Let us pray that the mental health ministry be established throughout the Church, helping to overcome the stigma and discrimination of persons with mental illness.

FR PEYTON CENTRE: opening hours Mon to Fri from 9:30 am to 5:30pm, and Sat 12 to 5pm

THE WAY.IE is a new digital platform of the Irish Bishops intended to help people discover, live and pass on the faith. QR code at bottom of newsletter.

COLLECTIONS 3rd/4th Sept: Offertory €1120 2nd Collection €815 Thanking you.
PARISH SECRETARY: Office hours Mon to Fri 9am – 11am & 2.30pm - 5.30pm. Contact Francy on 094 9253607 or email to swinfordparish@gmail.com

		Ministers Of The Word	Extraordinary Ministers Of Holy Communion	Altar Servers
Sat 10 th Oct	07.30pm	Margaret Carney	P. Lavin & M. Armstrong/E. MacSuibhne	T1: J. Burke, MM Gormley, E. Walsh
Sun 11 th Oct	10.30am	Christina Ward	Andrea Maloney & Tim Nichols	T2: J. O'Reilly, P. Byrne, S. Cummins, S. Flanagan
Sat 17 th Oct	07.30pm	Ava Caulfield	Christina Cosgrove & Sarah Fitzgerald	T3: Z. Kane, L. Carney, D. Jennings
Sun 18 th Oct	10.30am	Michelle Armstrong	Margaret Carney & Bridie Doherty	T4: R. Leonard, S. Higgins, M. Tanner

CHILDREN'S CORNER: (Loyola Press) It is fun to go to a party. Getting invitations lets us know that we are liked and cared about. In this week's Gospel, Jesus tells a parable, or story, about a wedding. Some people accept the invitation, and some people refuse it. Jesus tells the parable to teach us about being invited to be his disciple. Jesus invites everyone to be his disciple. Some people accept his invitation, and some people refuse it. Read the short form of today's Gospel, Matthew 22:1–10. The king sent out three invitations to the wedding feast. Which group of people accepted the invitation—the first, second, or third group? (the third group) Jesus invites us to be his disciple. When we say yes to his invitation, he offers us life with God forever. Pray: Jesus, we have accepted your invitation to be your disciple. Help us follow you to God the Father. Pray the Glory Be to the Father

FAMILY PRAYER TIME: (Loyola Press) As you gather as a family, discuss what you consider appropriate attire for various occasions. For example, if your family were invited to a neighbour's barbecue, what would you wear? If you were planning to attend the symphony, what might you wear? If invited to an evening wedding, what might you wear? Discuss how our preparations for an event and our choice of attire indicates the importance and value we place on the occasion. In today's Gospel Jesus uses this metaphor to talk about the kingdom of heaven. Read Matthew 22:1-14. Discuss why the guest was thrown out of the wedding feast. What does Jesus expect of those who accept his invitation of salvation? What would be the evidence of our conversion to God's salvation? Pray together as a family that you will respond wholeheartedly to God's invitation to salvation. Pray together today's psalm 22.

MISSION MONTH: Daily Prayer – Prayer for Missionaries Lord our God, loving Father, we humbly pray to you for our beloved missionaries, heralds of the Gospel. May our prayers reach their hearts that they may feel our love, our strength, our faith. May our prayers reach their hearts that they continue with your zeal the mission you entrust them with. May their presence in their community be a reminder of your presence among us. Amen. (Missionary Society of St Columban)

OCTOBER @ FR PEYTON CENTRE, Attymass, F26 X884: One Day Rosary Retreat Saturday October 17th 'The Rosary, A Gift that keeps on Giving' from 11am and concluding at 4.30pm, the day includes: spiritual talks, reflection, quiet time, rosary and Mass. The cost is €25, which includes tea, coffee on arrival & light lunch. Booking is essential. For enquiries and booking contact Fina 096 45374 / 087 681 6821

'LIGHT THE FIRE PRAYER MEETING' starts back this Tuesday the 13th of October at 7pm in St. Joseph's Chapel at the HUB, Knock Shrine. Includes Adoration, Prayer and Praise. Everyone is welcome!

ACCORD BALLAGHADERREEN offer a confidential counselling service where couples can explore family relationships. Accord counsellors can help if relationships are under stress. For online counselling: www.accord.ie. Face to Face counselling session: call Accord Ballagherreen on 0879972503

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

SVP: 'If you are in need of assistance please remember that St Vincent dePaul PiusX Conference Kiltimagh may be able to help. Calls are strictly confidential. Our helpline number is 086 889 9077'

BANK OF IRELAND is inviting people to pop into their local branch on Friday, 16 October for a cup of tea, coffee and treats to support the Sunflower Children's Hospice. The hospice will be the first children's hospice in the region, providing specialist care and support for children and young people with life-limiting illnesses, as well as vital support for their families. To make a donation, visit sunflowerchildrenshospice.ie

WESTERN CARE ASSOCIATION Staff Recruitment Open Day on Tuesday Oct 20th from 10.30am-3.00pm in the Curum, Claremorris, F12 F6C5.

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP IN BALLINA: A Bereavement Support Group Meeting will be held at the Newman Institute, Ballina on the second Wednesday of each month (October-May), starting on 14th October at 8pm. Trained facilitators conduct the meetings, which provide guidance and support to all who find loss difficult. All are welcome. Further information from Monica Morley, Knock Shrine on 094-9375320

AUTISM CARERS SUPPORT GROUP: This takes place in Kilkelly Community Centre on the third Tuesday of the month from 10 30am-12pm. This is a warm and welcoming space for parents and carers to connect, share experiences, and support one another. Contact 089 4179929 for further information

FAMILY CARERS IRELAND'S BALLINA CARER SUPPORT GROUP meet on the second Thursday of every month, from 10-11.30am in the Green Room at the Ballina Manor Hotel, F26 HY84. This is a great opportunity to sit and have a cuppa and chat with other carers and also meet Supports Manager for Mayo, Michelle Moriarty. No need to register, just turn up on the morning!

ALONE: 'Would you be willing to provide companionship to an older person locally? ALONE are seeking volunteers in your area. Full training and support provided. Please apply via the ALONE website at www.alone.ie Info on volunteer@alone.ie or 0818 222 024. IF over 60 and would like to know about the services ALONE can offer you, please call 0818 222 024.'

FREE TRAINING: Wondering what to do next? Interested in expanding your skills? National Learning Network Castlebar can help you gain QQI Certification and assist with finding employment. Social Welfare payment protected. Sharon on 087 290 9064 to discuss.

ACHONRY DIOCESE SAFEGUARDING: Contact details for any concerns – St Pat Casey 086 7303076, Ms Ann Leonard 187 6474136, Tulsa Mayo 094 904 2283, Garda Confidential Line 1800 555222

PARISH COLLECTIONS: **Green Envelope:** Bank of Ireland, Kiltimagh Church a/c IBAN: IE17BOFI90388328521158 BIC: BOFIE2D. **Yellow Envelope:** Kiltimagh Credit Union, Holy Family Church A/c 305877 Electronic transfer: IBAN: IE51KDCU99217699530509 BIC: KDCUIE21XXX. **Purple Envelope:** AIB, Kiltimagh Parish Envelope, special collections (Emigrants, Holy Places etc.) priest collection may be made online at www.Kiltimaghparish.org or Facebook.com/Church of the Holy Family Kiltimagh or achonryelphin.ie. Credit/Debit Card Machine available near Sacristy Door. Thank you for supporting our parish

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Why Sunday Matters





Sunday 11th October

Mass Intentions.

Tourlestrane church

Sunday 11th October: 10.30am: Linda Gallagher

Monday 12th October: No Mass

Tuesday 13th October: 9.30am Holy Souls

Wednesday 14th October: 9.30am The Quinn and Gildea families

Thursday 15th October:

Friday 16th October: 7pm

Saturday 17th October:

Sunday 18th October: 10.30am : Annie O'Hara, son Jimmy, grandson

John, deceased of O'Hara family. Family Mass

Kilmactigue church

**Saturday 10th October: 7pm: Lily O'Hara, Culdalee, her brother in law
Chris O'Hara, London and formerly of Culdalee, his parents Ellen and
Patrick, deceased of O'Hara and Gaughan families**

Sunday 11th October: No Mass

Monday 12th October : 9.30am

Tuesday 13th October: No Mass

Wednesday 14th October : No Mass

Thursday 15th October: 9.30am:

Friday 16th October : No Mass

Saturday 17rd October: 7pm : Beatrice Fleming

Sunday 18th October: No Mass

Lough Talt church

**Sunday 11th October: 9.20am: Josie & Anthony Mullarkey, their son
Tommie**

Sunday 18th October: 9.20am: John Forde

First reading

Isaiah 25:6-10

The Lord will prepare a banquet for every nation

On this mountain,
the Lord of hosts will prepare for all peoples
a banquet of rich food, a banquet of fine wines,
of food rich and juicy, of fine strained wines.
On this mountain he will remove
the mourning veil covering all peoples,
and the shroud enwrapping all nations,
he will destroy Death for ever.
The Lord will wipe away
the tears from every cheek;
he will take away his people's shame
everywhere on earth,
for the Lord has said so.
That day, it will be said: See, this is our God
in whom we hoped for salvation;
the Lord is the one in whom we hoped.
We exult and we rejoice
that he has saved us;
for the hand of the Lord
rests on this mountain.
The Word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 22(23)

In the Lord's own house shall I dwell for ever and ever.

The Lord is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want.
Fresh and green are the pastures
where he gives me repose.
Near restful waters he leads me,
to revive my drooping spirit.

In the Lord's own house shall I dwell for ever and ever.

He guides me along the right path;
he is true to his name.
If I should walk in the valley of darkness
no evil would I fear.
You are there with your crook and your staff;
with these you give me comfort.

In the Lord's own house shall I dwell for ever and ever.

You have prepared a banquet for me
in the sight of my foes.
My head you have anointed with oil;
my cup is overflowing.

In the Lord's own house shall I dwell for ever and ever.

Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me
all the days of my life.
In the Lord's own house shall I dwell

for ever and ever.

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Second reading

Philippians 4:12-14,19-20

**With the help of the One who gives me strength, there is nothing I
cannot master**

I know how to be poor and I know how to be rich too. I have been through my initiation and now I am ready for anything anywhere: full stomach or empty stomach, poverty or plenty. There is nothing I cannot master with the help of the One who gives me strength. All the same, it was good of you to share with me in my hardships. In return my God will fulfil all your needs, in Christ Jesus, as lavishly as only God can. Glory to God, our Father, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation

Jn1:14,12

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Word was made flesh and lived among us:

to all who did accept him

he gave power to become children of God.

Alleluia!

Gospel

Matthew 22:1-14

Invite everyone you can to the wedding

Jesus began to speak to the chief priests and elders of the people in parables: 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a feast for his son's wedding. He sent his servants to call those who had been invited, but they would not come. Next he sent some more servants. "Tell those who have been invited" he said "that I have my banquet all prepared, my oxen and fattened cattle have been slaughtered, everything is ready. Come to the wedding." But they were not interested: one went off to his farm, another to his business, and the rest seized his servants, maltreated them and killed them. The king was furious. He despatched his troops, destroyed those murderers and burnt their town. Then he said to his servants, "The wedding is ready; but as those who were invited proved to be unworthy, go to the crossroads in the town and invite everyone you can find to the wedding." So these servants went out on to the roads and collected together everyone they could find, bad and good alike; and the wedding hall was filled with guests. When the king came in to look at the guests he noticed one man who was not wearing a wedding garment, and said to him, "How did you get in here, my friend, without a wedding garment?" And the man was silent. Then the king said to the attendants, "Bind him hand and foot and throw him out into the dark, where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth." For many are called, but few are chosen.'

The Gospel of the Lord

Offertory Collection

The Offertory Collection for weekend 4th October was €910.59

Mass Time Change

The evening masses in the parish is at 7pm, beginning on Friday 2nd October.

Parents of First Communion children

There will be a meeting for parents of first Communion children (2027) on Wednesday 14th Oct in the Hilary Room at 8pm,

Enrolment Mass

The Enrolment Mass for “Growing in Love,” the preparation programme for children making their first Communion will take place on Sunday 18th October at 10.30am in Tourlestrane church.

First Communion Dates.

First Communion for children in Drimina and Banada schools will be on Saturday 8th May 2027 at 11pm in Tourlestrane church.

First Communion Mass for children in Castlerock school will be on Sunday 16th May at 11am in Lough Talt church

Recent Death

Pray for Tom Howley, Aclare, who died this week

Mission Sunday is next Sunday



The Rosary

The Rosary Continues to be prayed in the Lake church every Night for the month of October Monday-Saturday 8:30pm, Sunday 8pm! “All Are Welcome in this Place” in particular we invite parents to bring their children along to experience praying the Rosary! Fr.Peyton once said “the family that pray’s together. stays together.

Reciting the Rosary

As a result of the Special evening on last Thursday’s celebration of Our Lady of Banada, a number of people plan to recite the Rosary before Sunday morning Masses in Tourlestrane church.

Tourlestrane church maintenance

Due to necessary repair work in Tourlestrane church, it will close on Monday 19th October until the work is complete. An extra Mass will be celebrated in Kilmactigue church on the weekend if needed.

Banada Abbey Bingo

Banada Abbey Bingo this Tuesday at 8.00pm. Books can now be purchased online up to 6.00pm on Tuesday. New Jackpot Game for €2,000 now on 46 calls or less. Prize-fund of €10,500 on offer.

Kilmactigue Parish Defibrillator Group

CPR / AED Training Autumn Schedule 2026. Training will take place in the Hillary Room, on: - Friday 16th Oct. 7pm (National Restart a Heart Day) - Thursday 22nd Oct. 7pm - Sunday 1st Nov. 12 noon. Instructors will be in touch with those previously trained. If you have not trained before and would like to do so, please contact 087 473 4896.

Fundraising

We are currently replacing all the outdoor cabinets in which the Defibs are placed because of issues with dampness & temperature control. Because of this, like before, we will be reaching out to the parish community in the new year to form a fundraising committee & help with raising funds to continue this vital programme in our parish. An account of spending since the last fundraiser along with a list of all those trained in CPR AED in our parish will be available towards the end of year. Looking forward to seeing ye all at our training in the coming weeks.

Bake Sale

TUBBERCURRY COMMUNITY FIRST RESPONDERS are holding their Annual Fundraising Bake Sale on Saturday 24th October in the pop up shop on Main Street from 10am-1pm. Donations of baked goods are welcome. Funds raised helps the group to purchase essential equipment to respond to emergency calls and to provide life-saving training within the community. Every donation makes a difference so please come along and support us on the day. Thank you.

A free Hearing Health Awareness talk will take place on Thursday 22nd in Tubbercurry FRC from 11am-12.30pm. Talk covers hearing health, hearing aids and technology, grants and financial support, questions and individual ear health checks. Book your place on 0719186926.

Baby bonding course with Tubbercurry FRC starting this November 3rd from 10am-11am. Suitable for parents, carers and babies from 28+ weeks of pregnancy to 8 months. €15 for the 6 week block. Contact 0719186926 for more information and bookings.

The Inner Confidence personal development course with a coaching and wellbeing specialist will take place this November in Tubbercurry FRC. Build greater self-trust, confidence and emotional resilience. This is a four week programme starting Monday 2nd November & costs €20. Places limited and bookings to 0719186926.

A Family Carers support group will meet in the FRC on the third Tuesday of each month starting Tuesday 20th October at 11am supported by Family Carers Ireland . No one should

have to care alone. Join Alvina your local support manager at this group, get to know others who are caring, learn about the range of services and supports available from Family Carers Ireland. The sessions will be a safe and welcoming space to share and be heard. For inquiries or further information contact

Irish National Synodal Assembly

The *Working Document* for the Irish National Synodal Assembly, taking place in Gormanston, Co Meath, on 17 October, brings together the fruits of five years of prayer, listening and discernment and will guide delegates as they consider and vote on suggested actions to be presented to the bishops of Ireland. While the Assembly marks an important moment in the journey, the Synodal Pathway is now moving towards a new phase of implementation. Everyone is invited to read, pray with, and reflect on the *Working Document* and the question: “What does God want from the Church in Ireland at this time?” Please pray for all those taking part in the Assembly and for the guidance of the Holy Spirit, and scan the QR code to access the Working Document and find out more, and see www.synod.ie

Eucharistic Healing Conference 16th (2-9pm), 17th (9am-9pm), 18th (9am-4pm)
October in The Great Northern Hotel Bundoran. Phone 087 784 7303, 086 315 2460 or 086 154 6099.

Accommodation available at the hotel 07198 41204

BOWLS at Banada Abbey Hall every Thursday at 8.00pm.

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St Vincent De Paul

The new phone number for the local conference is 0870014236.

Parish Safeguarding Handbook.

The Parish Safeguarding handbook is available on

<http://achonrydiocese.org/safeguardinghandbook/>

Banada Abbey Hall Autumn Activities

Monday 6pm Insight drama school.

7pm Ladies exercise with Mairead

8pm Men's exercise class

Hall monthly meeting at 9 pm on Hilary room new members welcome

Tuesday 7pm Yoga with Laura

8pm Bingo

Thursday 6pm Pilates and mindfulness for children with Sarah

7pm Pilates with Sarah

8pm Bowls

Scripture Initiative

Dioceses of Achonry & Elphin 2026/2027 Scripture Initiative: New groups and facilitators being sought. Please consider. Enquiries welcome. More information @ www.achonryelphin.ie/scripture

Friends of Carmel Gathering

Friends of Carmel Gathering at Holy Hill Hermitage F91 CA24 on Saturday 17 October 2026 from 10am to 4pm. To book email friendsofcarmel@gmail.com.

Bereavement

The Bereavement Course presented by Monica Morley, Director of the Knock Shrine Family Centre and Broadcaster at Midwest Radio is due to commence Tuesday 3rd November at 8pm here at The Newman Institute. The cost of the

course is €60 and will run for the 4 Tuesday nights in November. To book a place please phone 096 72066 or email reception@newman.ie

The Monthly Bereavement Support Group Meetings will commence on 15th October at 8pm and will meet every second Wednesday of each month from October 2026 to May 2027 inclusive.

Cloonacool Players

Watch this space as Cloonacool Players, our stars of comedy, are now in rehearsals and will soon announce their staging of two hilarious farces. Mighty surprises and laughs galore are on the horizon - and yes, before Christmas.

Moylough Heritage Centre

We have postponed the afternoon tea and draw being held on 4th October to a new date 18th October in the Moylough heritage centre due to the county final on the 4th October. Tickets are still onsale at €10 and the overall winner of the Moylough heritage centre raffle draw and winner €1,500 in cash or centre parcels voucher will be announced at this event. Your support would be greatly appreciated. Raffle tickets can be purchased prior in local businesses or on the day of the event.

Anam Cara's next Bereavement Information Evening will centre around the fundamentals of parental grief and 'what helps.' This event is open to all parents whose child or children have died, regardless of the age of their child, circumstances of their death, or time since bereavement.

This event will take place online on [Thursday 15 October at 7pm](#).

Bereaved parents are very welcome to register here: <https://bit.ly/OctBIE>

We are joined by Breffni McGuinness.

Breffni McGuinness currently serves as a Bereavement Coordinator at LauraLynn, Ireland's Children's Hospice. Prior to this role, Breffni has been working in bereavement support, focusing on developing awareness, education, and resources to support bereaved individuals and communities. Breffni brings unique perspectives to his work, with specialisations in dramatherapies and pastoral care.

For many parents, these Information Evenings are their first contact with any supports after the death of their child. Approachable psychoeducation based in their particular experience can help parents recognise their own needs and those of their family. But for many parents, making that first step can be intimidating. Hearing about supports specifically for this kind of grief from a trusted source, like a religious centre or church, makes all the difference.

If your parish or community would like a set of informational packets, or to find out more about the services we offer please email us at info@anamcara.ie or call 085 288 8888.

5 Step Support Service

Are you affected by the misuse of alcohol or other drugs by another individual ? 5 Step Support can help you; it is a free , non-judgemental, one - one service. Putting your needs and wellbeing first , helping you manage often stressful , difficult and emotional issues

If you would like further information or an appointment, please contact 071 9150578 / 085 875 9319 or email sligoleitrim@alcoholforum.com
You don't have to be addicted to suffer from addiction!

Saturday Crafts for 5-7 year olds with Tubbercurry FRC and Tubbercurry Community Library for the month of October. Classes will include crafts, clay work and more. Further details and booking to the Library on 0719111705.

Parish Pastoral Council

The PPC resumed last Monday after the Summer break. The meeting focused on the revitalisation of the Parish, transitioning from a “consumer” model of church attendance to a disciple model of active ministry. For those who go to Mass each week, it would involve a deepening of their spiritual life as committed disciples with a greater active involvement with their parish. Every encounter with the Lord results in some action by the person. For those who don't come to Mass (and that is about two thirds of our Catholic population) we would make a greater effort to reach them . Less would be expected of those who are not committed disciples. Greater joy results in their presence at Mass. The discussion will continue at our next meeting

The Feast of Our Lady of Banada takes place on the 8th of Oct. There will be a special ceremony in Tourlestrane church that evening at 7pm. The story of Mrs Jones praying for her son Freddie to mend his ways is something that every family experiences from time to time. As a Parish we too pray for all who miss out on the spiritual supports needed to get through troubled times. It was suggested that all families may like to bring their petitions to the ceremony and place them before the statue of Our Lady of Banada.

Found

A small sum of money found at the gate of Kilmactigue church a fortnight ago.
Ask Fr John

Faith & Fun Clubs

Supporting Children (8 - 11 years) grow in faith and friendship: New and emerging Faith & Fun Clubs in the Achonry and Elphin Dioceses now enrolling

for 2026/2027 school year. For more info please visit: <https://achonryelphin.ie/fafc/>

Jubilee of Marriages

Couples celebrating their Silver, Ruby, Golden, Diamond, Platinum or other wedding anniversaries are invited to attend one of two Jubilee Masses, along with their families and friends, on either Sunday 4th October at 2.30pm in Ballaghaderreen Cathedral or Sunday 11th October at 2.30pm in Kiltoom Church. Bishop Kevin will celebrate both Masses. Light refreshments will be served afterwards for all in attendance. As each couple celebrating an Anniversary will receive a certificate from Bishop Kevin, they are asked to register their details at <https://achonryelphin.ie/jubilee-of-marriages/>

Words of Hymns

The lyrics of many of the hymns sung by the choirs in our churches are available on our website. Look under the “prayers” banner headline and do join in the singing. We are all meant to participate in the Mass. We should not be spectators..

New Diocesan Website

The new Diocesan website of Achonry and Elphin is now alive at www.achonryelphin.ie

Parish Website

The website for the Parish is <https://www.kilmactigueparish.com/>.

Keeping Children Safe

The Diocese of Achonry is fully committed to keeping children safe. Information is available about diocesan child safeguarding on the website . Anyone with issues or concerns around the safety of children should telephone the confidential diocesan helpline . Designated Liaison persons Ms Anne Leonard 087 6474136 or Sr Pat Casey 086 7303076. Concerns and complaints may also be passed on directly to TUSLA (Child and Family Agency) and/or An Garda Siochana

Synod

What does God want from the Church in Ireland at this time? Since 2021, people across Ireland have listened, prayed, and shared their hopes for the Church. From these voices seven priorities emerged: Belonging. Healing, Shared Responsibility, Family, Faith Formation, the role of Women, and Young People. These priorities come from YOU, the people of God in Ireland. Discover more in “Baptised and Sent”. Discover more at www.synod.ie Irish Synodal Pathway.

The Catholic Steps

Introducing **The Catholic Steps** (www.catholicsteps.com) — a free online fellowship for Catholics who are working through a twelve-step program rooted in the sacraments. The site offers a structured workspace where members work through all twelve steps with reflection questions drawn from Scripture and

Catholic tradition. Each member is paired with a sponsor — a fellow Catholic who has completed the steps — who guides them privately through the process. Members can also connect with a daily prayer wall and access resources. It is open to any Catholic who recognises an attachment — whether to a substance, a behaviour, or a pattern of thought — that is keeping them from God. It offers a structured, sacramentally grounded path for parishioners who need more than a weekly meeting but are not yet ready for formal counselling.

Accord Ballaghadereen

Accord Ballaghadereen offer a confidential counselling service where couples can explore family relationships. Accord counsellors can help if relationships are under stress. For online counselling please visit www.accord.ie. Alternatively, to book a face to face counselling session, please call Accord Ballaghadereen on 0879972503.

Confessions

Confessions is available on Friday evenings in Tourlestrane church at 6pm to 6.30pm in the adoration room.

Mother and Baby

The Mother and Baby Institutions Payment Scheme launched in March 2024 following the Government agreed actions arising from the Commission of Investigation into Mother and Baby homes and certain related matters. The Payment scheme provides financial payments, and health supports to eligible people who spent time in Mother and Baby and County Home Institutions in Ireland. Eligibility criteria can be found online, and applications can be made via an online portal (website below) or by post

Visit: www.gov.ie/en/department-of-children-disability-and-equality/campaigns/mother-and-baby-institutions-payment-scheme/

Contact Helpline: 01 522 9922 (call to request application pack)

All applications are handled with care, dignity and full confidentiality.

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Tusla, Meitheal.

Meitheal is a Tusla led process for children and families who may need support. Meitheal enables families to identify what is working well and not so well in their child or young person's life and work towards changes they would like to see happen for their child or young person. For more information on Meitheal please contact 0876562844 or email