

# Foxford Parish

St Michael's Foxford  
Toomore Church  
Attymachugh Church



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## Sunday 28th April 2024 - 5th Sunday of Easter

Sat. 27th April 6pm	Toomore	Yvonne McHale (Birthday rem.) Station Rd. R.I.P.
Sat. 27th April 7.30pm	Foxford	1. John Patrick (8th Anniv) & Brenda Kennedy & Eddie Kennedy (13th Anniv) R.I.P. 2. John Duffy (1st Anniv), Riverside, & deceased of the Duffy & Staunton families, R.I.P. 3. Charlie Flood (1st Anniv), Ballina Rd. R.I.P.
Sun. 28th April 9am	Attymachugh	Jimmy Gallagher (7th Anniv) & Sr. Mary Gallagher (10th Anniv), R.I.P.
Sun. 28th April 11am	Foxford	1. Sinead Boyle (Birthday rem), Cashel, R.I.P. 2. Anthony & Cecilia Rogan & their son, Tony, Borehollagh R.I.P. 3. John Gaughan (Months Mind), Gorse Grove, R.I.P. 4. Thomas & Margaret Lally, Belmullet & Patrick & Mary Casey, Surrey, R.I.P.
Mon. 29th April 10am	Foxford	
Tues. 30th April 10am	Foxford	Tom & Mary Foy R.I.P.
Wed. 1st May 8am	Convent	Special Intention
Wed. 1st May 7pm	Foxford	Emily Hanahoe (Months mind) Barrack Rd. R.I.P.
Thurs. 2nd May 10am	Foxford	Paddy Kelly (2nd Anniv), Belass, R.I.P.
Thurs. 2nd May 3 pm		Mass in the Blackrocks Nursing Home at 3 pm
Fri. 3rd May 10am	Foxford	Acknowledgement Mass - for the neighbours, friends & community of the late Rosemary Carrabine.
Sat. 4th May 11am	Foxford	First Holy Communion Mass
Sat. 4th May 6pm	Toomore	
Sat. 4th May 7.30pm	Foxford	1. Sabina, Willie & Dan McDermott, R.I.P. 2. Martin James Cosgrave (28th Anniv) & deceased family members, R.I.P. 3. John Maloney (30th Anniv) Stonehall, R.I.P. 4. H.E. Laura Bernal (4th Anniv), late Argentine Ambassador, R.I.P.
Sun. 5th May 9am	Attymachugh	For the Community
Sun. 5th May 11am	Foxford	1. Nancy (Anniv) & Jim McDonnell, Main St. R.I.P. 2. Billy Nolan (2nd Anniv), Sweetwell, R.I.P. 3. Sadie (30th Anniv) & Patrick (25th Anniv) Moylett, Moygrove, & their son-in-law, Michael Ruane, Rinnaney, R.I.P. 4. Paddy Kelly, Belass, R.I.P.

THIS WEEKEND:		READERS	MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST	ALTAR SERVERS
Toomore	Sat. 27th April 6pm	Carmel Gallagher	Mary Doherty	
Foxford	Sat. 27th April 7.30pm	Sean Lavin	John Horgan/Niamh Noone/Bridie Howley	Addison McDonnell / Dara Gaughan/ Keela Hardy
Attymachugh	Sun. 28th April 9am	Anne Prendergast	Lily Ruddy	
Foxford	Sun. 28th April 11am	Sylvia Neary	Stephen Giblin / Paula Ruane / Willie O'Hara / Maureen Lavin / Martha Guiry	Joseph Elstone / Sophie Macken / Shane Macken
NEXT WEEKEND:				
Toomore	Sat. 4th May 6pm	Helen Clarke	Alice Hennigan	
Foxford	Sat. 4th May 7.30pm	Michael McDonagh	Annie Burke / Bernie Dunne / Barbara Moore	Sean Walsh / Ruairi Reynolds/ Oscar McHugh
Attymachugh	Sun. 5th May 9am	Marcus Jones	Chris Sheerin	
Foxford	Sun. 5th May 11am	Mary Moylette-Ruane	Helena Murphy / Laura Giblin / Annie Murray / Sylvia Neary	Kasia Berlowska/ Frank Berkowski/Aoife Flannery

If you are unable to read, please contact Teresa Ormsby on 087 273 9680

<b>Death:</b>	Please pray for: <b>Nellie McHale</b> , Swinford Rd. May she Rest in Peace
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Wednesdays from 6 pm with Rosary at 6.40 pm and Mass at 7 pm.	
<b>Trocaire:</b>	Many thanks for your contributions to Trocaire. To Date: €2075

Hospital Visits/Family Deaths: If you wish the priest to visit relatives or friends in hospital or at home or leave a message at the priest's house. To put a notice of family deaths or general notices in the weekly newsletter please email [foxfordparishnewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:foxfordparishnewsletter@gmail.com)

First Holy Communion Mass takes place in St. Michael's church at 11 am next Saturday, 4th May. We keep the 25 children and their families in our prayers and wish them a lovely day filled with many blessings.

<b>Offertory Collectors</b>	<b>April</b>	<b>Vigil:</b> <b>Sunday:</b>	<b>Michael McDonagh / Martin Brogan / Gina Stenson</b> <b>Joe Davitt / Anthony Ruane / Gerry Moran</b>
	<b>May</b>	<b>Vigil:</b> <b>Sunday:</b>	<b>Martin McDonagh / Seamus Coleman/ Bernadette Reape</b> <b>Ben Burke / Siobhan Moran / Jerome Coleman</b>
<p><b>CANA Talks – “A Roadmap to Happiness” – T.F Royal Theatre, Castlebar – Fri 31st May, 8 pm.</b> Presenters: <b>Gerry Glennon (Midwest) &amp; Angelina Nugent</b> (Former Midwest). Speakers: EWTN's <b>Fr Robert Spitzer</b> (video link), <b>Br. Richard Hendrick, Stephen Giblin, Fr Shane Sullivan, Tara Niekamp, Niall McDonagh.</b> Just 15 mins each to inspire you (from a faith perspective)! Also, the <b>Duggan Academy of Irish Dance &amp; the Coolaney Gospel Choir.</b> Enjoy real-life stories, humour, inspiring talks, great visuals, music, + more. <b>This is not a conference, but a show!</b> Tickets €23 + booking fee @ <a href="http://www.ticketmaster.ie">www.ticketmaster.ie</a>, T.F. Box Office 094 902 3111, or @ the door. <a href="http://www.canatalks.com">www.canatalks.com</a>.</p>			
<p><b>Diocese of Killala &amp; Diocese of Achonry Pilgrimage to Lourdes</b> under the leadership of <b>Bishop John Fleming</b>, Bishop Emeritus of Killala. From the <b>18<sup>th</sup> to 23rd July 2024</b>, departs from Ireland West Airport Knock. 5 nights in full board accommodation in the Hotel Agena. Price €929- (single rooms available, supplement applies). Main Pilgrimage bookings should be made through Joe Walsh Tours: Tel: 01-241 0800 or Email: <a href="mailto:info@joewalshstours.ie">info@joewalshstours.ie</a>. Book Online: <a href="http://www.joewalshstours.ie/tours/killala-achonry-diocesan-lourdes-pilgrimage-2024">www.joewalshstours.ie/tours/killala-achonry-diocesan-lourdes-pilgrimage-2024</a>. No booking is definite until a non-refundable deposit of €300 has been received by Joe Walsh Tours. A limited number of places available in the Assisted Section, Contact Eileen on 086-401 3897.</p>			
<p><b>Sr. Mary Gallagher of the Sisters of the Holy Rosary</b> sent a note to say a very sincere <b>Thanks</b> for your generosity at Masses last weekend. The total amount collected came to <b>€855.60</b> for which we are most grateful.</p>			
<p><b>Straide Darkness into Light Walk on behalf of Pieta House</b>, will take place at <b>4.15am on the morning of 11th May 2024 in Straide</b>. This is our first time as an Official Walk and we would welcome you all to join us on our rural route. You can call over and register in person at Straide Community Hall on Thursday 2nd May from 7 - 8pm or you can register online at <a href="http://www.darknessintolight.ie">www.darknessintolight.ie</a> and click on <b>Mayo/Straide</b> option.</p>			
<p><b>Rosary at Grotto Swinford Rd: Tuesday and Friday evenings at 7.30pm for the Month of May.</b></p>			
<p><b>Accord Catholic Marriage Care Service CLG seeking marriage preparation facilitators</b> : ACCORD Catholic Marriage Care Service CLG is currently recruiting volunteers to train as marriage preparation programme facilitators.(1)If you have a positive attitude towards marriage in the Catholic Church.(2) If you have the enthusiasm to be part of the Accord team in supporting couples who are preparing for the Sacrament of Marriage. Successful applicants will receive professional training and will be part of a team delivering marriage preparation programmes locally. Contact Aisling on 01 505 3112 or by email to <a href="mailto:marriagepreparation@accord.ie">marriagepreparation@accord.ie</a>. <b>Closing date for applications is Friday, 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2024.</b></p>			
<p><b>Foxford Meals on Wheels Service:</b> We can provide meals from Monday to Saturday at a cost of €5 per meal. To avail of this service please contact Geraldine on mobile (087) 9040463 or on her landline (094) 9256614.</p>			
<p><b>Please note:</b> All cheques for Offertory and other parish collections should be made payable to: St. Michael's church</p>			
<p><b>The Irish Catholic newspaper is available each week. It costs €3.</b></p>			
<p><b>The first National Pilgrimage for Life</b>, organised by the Council for Life of the Irish Catholic Bishops' Conference, will be celebrated on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> May in Knock Shrine. The pilgrimage begins with Anointing of the Sick in the Basilica at 2.30pm, followed by Mass at 3pm and Rosary Procession after Mass, weather permitting. Main celebrant and homilist will be Archbishop Francis Duffy. We invite you to join us in Knock to celebrate the gift of life and to pray for the protection of all human life.</p>			
<p><b>Youth 2000 Connaught</b> - The Youth 2000 Connaught retreat will take place in Calasactius College, Oranmore, Co. Galway on the weekend of <b>May 10th to 12th</b>, consisting of workshops, talks, testimonies, music, prayer as well as time to relax &amp; meet with others. Come along for the weekend or pop in &amp; say hello! Donation only, 16-35yrs. To book a place or for more information, visit <a href="http://www.youth2000.ie">www.youth2000.ie</a> or email <a href="mailto:connaught@youth2000.ie">connaught@youth2000.ie</a></p>			
<p><b>Grow Meetings:</b> A self-help group helping people suffering from stress, anxiety, depression, panic attacks, loneliness etc meet every Tuesday night at <b>7.30 pm in Ballina Community Centre.</b></p>			
<p><b>Moy Davitts 50/50 draw</b> : Congratulations to <b>Mary Devers</b> (% Tommy Fleming, Foxford), who won a jackpot of <b>€470</b> in the Moy Davitts 50/50 draw last Sunday. A huge thank you to everyone who supported last week's draw, it is greatly appreciated. Tickets are available in the usual retail outlets and by playing through the Club App.</p>			
<p><b>Moy Davitts' 50th Anniversary Commemorative Book - CALL OUT FOR MATERIAL</b> As part of our 50th anniversary this year, Moy Davitts is compiling a special commemorative book looking back at the five eventful decades of our club's history. This book will be launched at a special club event later this year. We are on the look-out for material which can be included in the book including old match programmes, press cuttings, articles, team photos, pictures from special trips and events. Or anything you may have relating to the club's development over the past number of years. So, if you have any material which you would be happy to share with us, please email the details to: <a href="mailto:moydavitts50@gmail.com">moydavitts50@gmail.com</a>. Or please call Bernie on 086 853 2293 for further details.</p>			
<p><b>Bereavement Support Meeting:</b> Life after a bereavement can feel very lonely. Trained facilitators conduct a weekly Bereavement Support Meeting at the Family Centre, Knock Shrine, each Wednesday at 11am. There is also a special meeting for bereaved partners / spouses on the First Thursday of each month at 11am. No appointment needed. Further information from Monica Morley on 094-9375320</p>			
<p><b>Bereavement Programme at Knock Shrine:</b> A four week programme on 'Understanding Grief, a journey towards Healing' will be held in St John's Welcome Centre, Knock on <b>April 9th, 16th, 23rd and 30th</b> beginning each evening at <b>8pm</b>. It will be presented by Monica Morley. Admission is free but booking is essential. Call 094 9375320.</p>			
<p>Applications are now open at <b>St Patrick's Pontifical University, Maynooth</b> for postgraduate programmes in <b>Theological Studies, Healthcare Chaplaincy, Youth Ministry and Liturgy</b>, as well as <b>Master's in Liturgical Music and Diploma in Church Music</b>. More information is available at <a href="http://sppu.ie">sppu.ie</a> or by calling <b>(01) 708 4778</b>.</p>			
<p><b>The Mayo.ie Western People Women's Mini Marathon (10km)</b> takes place in <b>Ballina on Sunday, May 5th at noon</b>. Runners, joggers and walkers all welcome to join the fun. Registration: <a href="http://www.westofirelandwomensminimarathon.com">www.westofirelandwomensminimarathon.com</a>.</p>			
<p><b>Do you have a community event or activity coming up? Avail of FREE advertising with Mayo PPN.</b> It's simple – email <a href="mailto:mayoppn@mayococo.ie">mayoppn@mayococo.ie</a> and include a Jpeg poster. Mayo PPN will be delighted to promote to their 1000 plus community groups.</p>			

If you are a newcomer to the parish/community and would like a box of offertory envelopes – please tell the priest.

**Postgraduate and Mission & Ministries Programmes at St Patrick's Pontifical University, Maynooth.** Programme applications close from **30th June to 30th August** for different programmes. Visit [sppu.ie/courses](http://sppu.ie/courses) for more information.

**The Synodal Journey was launched in October 2021.** Many parishioners attended gatherings in our Diocese (and throughout the country) to share their ideas about the Church. These were very helpful meetings and I appreciate the efforts people made to come along and join in the conversations. In order to give feedback to parishioners on what has happened since, a very helpful video has been produced. It is entitled: "The Synodal Pathway, the Journey So Far..." This can be found on our Diocesan Website, [achonrydiocese.org](http://achonrydiocese.org). I hope this will be helpful in outlining the process so far and charting the next steps on the journey. **Beannachtaí, Paul Dempsey, Bishop of Achonry.**

**RHS Home Care** is a Non Commercial Home Care Provider bringing professional home care services to those who need assistance to remain living in their own homes. We are now recruiting new Healthcare Assistants in your area and would love to hear from you. Potential applicants must have the required QQI level 5 (two modules completed care skills and care of the older person). Please email your CV to [jobs@rhshomecare.ie](mailto:jobs@rhshomecare.ie) or call Aoife on 090 66 25988

**Totus Tuus Magazine** is a Catholic magazine, full of articles from Irish priests and laity, which aims to highlight the beauty and joy of our faith. It is going into its 7th year and is run by donations. If you haven't come across Totus Tuus Magazine and would like a free copy please contact Fiona Kiely on 086 876 0058

**The Achonry Diocese Pilgrimage to Lourdes** will take place from 18th-23rd July. **It is requested that 2 young people (age 18-30) from our Cluster are selected to go on the pilgrimage.** (A total of 8 young people from our Diocese will be selected.) Should any young person be interested, please contact Stephen Giblin, Youth Director on (089) 4653543 or email: [youthministry@achonrydiocese.org](mailto:youthministry@achonrydiocese.org)

Without Taking Singing Lessons, You Can Improve Your Singing Voice, sing for fun with **Craoibhin Ballina** on Friday afternoons from 2.30 pm to 3.30 pm. Cost is €5 per person. Everyone is welcome. For more info call the Centre on **087 2785365**. Will be running from Friday March 22nd.

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 national charity supporting Ireland's 500,000+ family carers nationwide. **Contact 057 9370221** and hear how we can support you or for more info visit [www.familycarers.ie](http://www.familycarers.ie).

**Experienced a cardiac event? 'It's Cardiac Rehab!'** A podcast series for you developed by the **Irish Association of Cardiac Rehabilitation and Irish Heart Foundation** to support your recovery. It's all about getting you better than before. <https://irishheart.ie/services-for-you/its-cardiac-rehab-podcast/>

**SANTIAGO DE COMPOSTELA CAMINO 2024:** Join Focus Ireland 'In the Footsteps of St James' on a fully guided walk from Sarria to Santiago de Compostela along the Camino de Frances and help support families in our community's experiencing homelessness. Dates 27 May to 3 June. Ex Dublin. Contact Monica on 087 954 7007 or email [events@focusireland.ie](mailto:events@focusireland.ie) for details and bookings.

**St Gobnait by Harry Clarke:** There are just a few days left to see an exquisitely detailed and delicate pen and ink drawing by Harry Clarke, Ireland's most celebrated stained-glass artist, at the National Museum of Ireland - Country Life, Turlough Park, Castlebar, Co. Mayo. The St Gobnait drawing, created by Harry Clarke in 1914, is on special loan from the Corning Museum of Glass in New York State. It is on display for a limited time, until Tuesday, 7 May 2024, after which it returns to the USA. St Gobnait is Ireland's patron saint of bees and beekeepers. Admission to the Museum is free. Visit [www.museum.ie](http://www.museum.ie) for further information.