

# Foxford Parish

St Michael's Foxford  
Toomore Church  
Attymachugh Church



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## Sunday 28th June 2026 - 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sat 27th June 12 noon	Foxford	Wedding Mass
Sat 27th June 6pm	Toomore	For the Community
Sat 27th June 7.30pm	Foxford	1. Tom Fleming (Month's mind) Assumpta Place R.I.P. 2. John Hughes (Anniv) R.I.P. 3. James & Ellen Ryder, Moygrove & their sons. Seamus & Oliver R.I.P.
Sun 28th June 9am	Attymachugh	
Sun 28th June 11am	Foxford	David Loughran (2nd Anniv) Swinford Rd. R.I.P.
Mon 29th June 10am	Foxford	
Tues 30th June 8am	Convent	
Tues 30th June 10am	Foxford	No Mass
Wed 1st July 7pm	Foxford	Mary (Anniv) & Martin Brogan & Mary Coss R.I.P.
Thurs 2nd July 10 am	Foxford	Special Intention
Fri 3rd July 10am	Foxford	
Sat 4th July 6pm	Toomore	1. Bertie Towe (Birthday rem.) Ballinisland R.I.P. 2. Michael (Anniv) & Margaret McNulty Renbrack West R.I.P.
Sat 4th July 7.30pm	Foxford	1. Peter Glynn (4th Anniv), Riverside R.I.P. 2. Special Intention (Birthday) 3. Andy (4th Anniv) & Eileen Durkin, Station Rd. R.I.P. 4. Willie Devaney (13th Anniv) Moyview R.I.P.
Sun 5th July 9am	Attymachugh	For the Community
Sun 5th July 11am	Foxford	1. Pat Murray The Quay, Ballina R.I.P. 2. Johnny & Mary Lizzie Coleman, Clossagh R.I.P.

THIS WEEKEND:		READERS	MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST	ALTAR SERVERS
Toomore	Sat 27th Jun 6pm	Helen Clarke	Anna Marie Walsh	
Foxford	Sat 27th Jun 7.30pm	Michael McDonagh	John Horgan / Bridie Howley / Annie Burke	Finnian Kirwan / Ronan Gilroy / Robert Anders/Emma Jane Burke
Attymachugh	Sun 28th Jun 9am	Kathleen Ruane	Anne Prendergast	
Foxford	Sun 28th Jun 11am	Aoife Burke	Stephen Giblin / Paula Ruane / Willie O'Hara / Maureen Lavin / Martha Guiry	James Sugrue Seren Toolan/ Aoife Flannery
NEXT WEEKEND:				
Toomore	Sat 4th July 6pm	Alice Hennigan	Mary Doherty	
Foxford	Sat 4th July 7.30pm	Frances Gilmore	Annie Burke / Bernie Dunne / Barbara Moore	Zoe Corcoran / Grainne McLoughlin / Sean Lally / Keith McDermott
Attymachugh	Sun 5th July 9am	Chris Sheerin	Lily Ruddy	
Foxford	Sun 5th July 11am	Margaret Reilly	Helena Murphy / Laura Giblin / Annie Murray / Sylvia Neary	Aoife Flannery / Esme Boland / Nancy McCready / Zara Bolton / Aine Healy

**Weekday Readers:** Monday & Tuesday : Margaret Kelly Thursday & Friday: Gerri Moore

OFFERTORY COLLECTORS	June	Vigil:	Bridie Howley / Sean Lavin / John Horgan
		Sunday:	Brian Doherty / Willie O'Hara / Kieran Staunton
	July	Vigil:	Michael McDonagh / Martin Brogan / Gina Stenson
		Sunday:	Joe Davitt / Anthony Ruane / Gerry Moran

<b>Recent Deaths:</b> Please pray for:	Vincent Doyle Swinford. Adelle Walsh, Massbrook, Bofeenau
<b>Mission Awareness Programme:</b> Due to unforeseen circumstances Fr. Paddy Moran is unable to be with us this weekend. However he hopes to speak at all our Masses next weekend. Fr. Paddy Moran of the Spiritan Missionary Order will speak to us about their work. Each year one Missionary Order is invited to speak in the parishes of our Diocese.	
Visitation of the sick and housebound will take place during the coming week	

**Hospital Visits:** If you wish the priest to visit relatives or friends in hospital or at home leave a message at the priest's house.

**Family Deaths:** To put a notice of family deaths or general notices in the newsletter please email [foxfordparishnewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:foxfordparishnewsletter@gmail.com)

**St. Vincent de Paul Helpline: 083 888777**

<p><b>Annual Accounts for 2025.</b> At a recent meeting of the Parish Finance Council the accounts for 2025 were discussed and approved. A copy of the Accounts is displayed on the <b>Notice Board in the church porch</b>. Copies are also available in the porch. A very sincere <b>thanks</b> for your support through the offertory, and other, collections throughout the year. Your generosity is greatly appreciated. If you require a <b>Box of Envelopes</b> let me know. Copies for the <b>Tax Rebate</b> scheme are also available in the porch.</p>
<p><b>Rally for Life 2025 - Saturday 5 July - 1:30pm</b> Parnell Square, Dublin. <b>Youth Pro-Life Night - Friday 4 July - 7pm</b> in Dublin City Centre. To register, text 087 167 4656 or email <a href="mailto:reclaimingireland@gmail.com">reclaimingireland@gmail.com</a>. To book a seat on a bus from your area: phone 01 8730465. For more information, see <a href="http://www.rallyforlife.net">www.rallyforlife.net</a>.</p>
<p><b>Fundraiser: Nicola O’Hora</b> of Belgarrow is running 100km to raise funds for Breast Cancer Research in the month of June. You can support her worthy cause by donating at <b>I Donate.ie</b></p>
<p><b>Parking on church grounds:</b> As you may have observed <b>two new parking lots</b> have been marked out for <b>wheelchair users</b>. <b>Also, please leave free access for cars (or an ambulance) around the church at all times.</b></p>
<p><b>Foxford Meals on Wheels Service:</b> We can provide meals from Monday to Saturday at a cost of €7 per meal. To avail of this service please contact Geraldine on 087 904 0463 or Carmel on 086 606 4670.</p>
<p><b>Shine Peer Support Groups</b> - Peer support groups for individuals experiencing mental health difficulties and individuals supporting people living with mental health challenges. We offer regular groups in Ballina, Ballinrobe and Castlebar. Email <a href="mailto:support@shine.ie">support@shine.ie</a> or call <b>086 040 7701</b> for information.</p>
<p><b>The annual Novena in honour of St. Maria Goretti</b> takes place in <b>Collooney Church, Co. Sligo</b> from <b>June 28th to July 6th</b>. Mass each evening at 8pm. Confessions and Rosary from 7.30pm. Further details of all speakers etc. can be found on <a href="http://www.kilvarnetparish.com/novena">www.kilvarnetparish.com/novena</a></p>
<p><b>Mayo Roscommon Hospice</b> sincerely thank all the volunteers who gave their time to help raise funds on National Sunflower Days for Hospice 12<sup>th</sup> &amp; 13<sup>th</sup> June in Foxford. The amount raised came to €3,387.69. Grateful thanks also to all the stores for their kind co-operation in facilitating the collection. Their support is most appreciated. All funds raised will go to supporting local hospice services in the community &amp; in the Hospices in Castlebar &amp; Roscommon.</p>
<p><b>Monthly Sensory Friendly Mass</b> takes place at 12.30pm on Sunday, June 28<sup>th</sup> in the Prayer Centre at <b>Knock Shrine</b>. All are welcome. Contact Nicola Mitchell at Knock Shrine for more details at 094 93 88100.</p>
<p>Everyone is invited to an <b>Open Sunday at Holy Hill Hermitage in Skreen on July 5</b>. Bishop John Fleming will celebrate mass at noon, and The Rejoice Gospel Choir from Ballina will sing. There will be hot dogs and music afterwards in the courtyard.</p>
<p><b>National Grandparents Pilgrimage Sunday, 26th July at Knock Shrine.</b> Anointing of the Sick in the Basilica at <b>2:30pm</b>. Mass at <b>3pm</b>.</p>
<p><b>Moy Davitts 50/50 draw</b> Congratulations to <b>Michael Maloney</b> who won a jackpot of <b>€518</b> in the Moy Davitts 50/50 draw last Saturday. 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 on the club app (Moy Davitts GAA)</p>
<p><b>Pilgrimage for Peace in Straide:</b> St. Joseph's Family of Parishes invites you to a Pilgrimage for Peace this Sunday, 28th June. Participants will gather at Straide Church (F26 FP48) at 2.00pm for a local pilgrimage walk, followed by a Prayer Service for Peace in Straide Abbey. The afternoon will also include a brief history of Straide Abbey and Michael Davitt, with refreshments served afterwards in Straide Community Centre. All are welcome to join us in prayer, peace and friendship.</p>
<p><b>DIOCESES OF ACHONRY AND ELPHIN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES</b> will take place from <b>28<sup>th</sup> August, 2026 to the 2<sup>nd</sup> September, 2026 inclusive</b>, under the leadership of <b>Bishop Kevin Doran</b>. Pilgrimage Highlights include Mass at the Grotto, Torchlight and Blessed Sacrament Processions, Anointing of the Sick, Water Ceremony. <b>Flights ex Knock Airport</b>. All booking in relation to the Pilgrimage can be directed to <b>Joe Walsh Tours (JWT)</b> at <b>01 6852244</b> or email <a href="mailto:info@joewalshstours.ie">info@joewalshstours.ie</a> <b>The Pilgrimage includes the Assisted Pilgrim Section.</b> Those who travel as part of the Assisted Pilgrim Section will stay in Accueil Notre Dame, which is situated near the Grotto and Sanctuary area. They will be cared for by the Diocesan Pilgrimage Care Team whilst in Lourdes. Application forms for the Assisted Pilgrim Section and full details are available from Very Rev. Ray Milton, P.P., Pilgrimage Director, St. John's, Lecarrow, Co. Roscommon. (Telephone – 090 6661115). Closing date for receipt of completed Application Forms is 11<sup>th</sup> June 2026.</p>
<p><b>Foxford Brass &amp; Reed Band</b> are celebrating <b>130 years</b> in existence this year. A committee has been formed to write a book on the Band's history. We are appealing to the public to help us with this publication by furnishing us (or any band member) with photographs, newspaper articles, your family ties and memories. Every photograph will be copied and returned to you immediately. We appreciate your help. <b>Please contact Seamus Burke (Chairperson) 086 858 2726</b></p>
<p><b>The Sacrament of Marriage Course</b> - online programme from Maryvale Institute offering theological formation, open to anyone, no prior study required, from September 2026 to April 2027. For more information see <a href="https://www.maryvale.ac.uk/marriage.html">https://www.maryvale.ac.uk/marriage.html</a>.</p>
<p><b>Professional Certificate in Pastoral Supervision</b>, a new 1 Year Blended Learning (in-person &amp; online) Programme starting September 2026. Closing date for applications is June 30th, 2026. Visit. <a href="http://sppu.ie/courses/professional-cert-in-pastoral-supervision">sppu.ie/courses/professional-cert-in-pastoral-supervision</a> to find out more.</p>
<p><b>Considering a Postgraduate Programme in 2026?</b> For those interested in Parish and Community work, St Patrick's Pontifical University, Maynooth offers Diploma, Higher Diploma and Master's programmes specialising in education and formation in the fields of Theological Studies, Pastoral Ministry, Healthcare Chaplaincy, Youth Ministry, Liturgy, and Liturgical Music. For more visit <a href="http://www.sppu.ie">www.sppu.ie</a></p>
<p><b>Western Care Home Share Service</b> are looking for people, single/couples/families, to provide short respite breaks to children and adults across County Mayo, in <i>your own home</i>. Training and support is provided and a non-taxable allowance is payable for each home share arrangement. If you are interested and/or would like further information about <b>Home Sharing</b>, please contact <b>Ruth Kneafsey, Home share Co-ordinator, 0949029148 or 0876811261</b>.</p>
<p><b>The Adoration Chapel</b> at St. Muredach's Cathedral, Ballina is open: Mon - Fri 2 - 8 pm. Sat - Sun 2 - 7pm. All are welcome. <i>Come to me, all you who labour and are overburdened, and I will give you rest.</i></p>
<p><b>Knock Shrine:</b>The monthly mini vigil takes place at <b>Knock Shrine on Friday, July 3 rd</b>. Confessions are available in the Chapel of Reconciliation from 8pm to 9pm. The vigil takes place in the Parish Church from <b>9pm to Midnight</b>. All are welcome.</p>
<p><b>Fully Escorted Trip to Medjugorje with Marian Pilgrimages</b>-Led by Sharon O Leary. Direct flights from Knock to Mostar. <b>October 21st- 28th</b>. Spiritual Director Fr Séan Sheehy (native of Listowel) and accompanied by Fr Nelson Joseph (Louisburgh, Co Mayo) Contact Sharon <b>086 0523014</b>.</p>
<p><b>St Joseph's Secondary School</b> Lotto €2.50 per line (€5 for 3). Lines can be purchased online at <a href="https://www.ourfundraiser.ie/org/stjosephsfoxford/">https://www.ourfundraiser.ie/org/stjosephsfoxford/</a> All support gratefully accepted. Please contact 094 9256145 for more details.</p>

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<b>Fr. Peyton Centre Opening Hours:</b> Opening Hours: Monday to Friday 9.30am to 5.30pm. Tel: 096-45374.
<b>Foster Care:</b> Have you ever thought about fostering? Change a child's life by becoming a <b>Tusla Foster Carer</b> . Talk to Tusla Fostering today by freephone <b>1800 226 771</b> or visit <a href="http://www.fostering.ie">www.fostering.ie</a> to learn more.
<b>Baptism Teams:</b> The Diocese of Achonry has requested that each parish would get Volunteers to train and become part of a Baptism team in the parish. The Baptism team is expected to help the local priest and be a support to the parents in preparing for the child's Baptism. We have four people who have done the training and been Garda vetted for this specific ministry in Foxford Parish/Community. I am very grateful to them. Their work entails two of the team visiting the parents, (at a time suitable to the parents) before the Baptism and explaining the various aspects of the Baptism ceremony and trying to answer any questions the parents may have. It is to be an informal visit and will last about fifteen minutes. Our Baptism Team members are: Geraldine Carroll, Annie Murray, Angela Neary and Marion Ryder.
<b>Minister of the Word:</b> Would you like to read at Mass in any of our Churches? Please contact Fr. Costello on (087) 242 2273
'Experience enjoyable movement with Nia. Gentle on joints, for fitness and well-being. Classes are barefoot to music. Mondays 10am at Swinford Cultural Centre & Wednesdays 10:30am at Ballina Arts Centre. Contact Siobhan at 089 4182740.'
<b>Set Dancing Classes</b> on <b>Wednesday</b> nights at <b>7pm</b> in the <b>Brown Memorial Hall</b> . New Beginners Welcome!
<b>FACT Social Club:</b> We are an independent community-based service here in Foxford, Co Mayo, and we support people living with Dementia or in rural isolation. We are open Mondays to Friday and provide social interaction, activities and much more in a safe and supported environment. If you would like more information on the services we offer, please contact us at: <a href="mailto:factsocialclub1@gmail.com">factsocialclub1@gmail.com</a> or telephone <b>094 925 6662</b> .
<b>Line Dancing Classes</b> for Beginners on <b>Thursday</b> nights at <b>8pm</b> in the <b>Brown Memorial Hall</b> , Modern and Country Line Dances. €10 per class. Enjoy a night of fun and exercise. All Welcome! Christopher Beirne (tutor) 086-8474744
<b>Studio to Stall in Ballina:</b> Are you interested in a weekly workshop creating a range of arts and crafts to sell at Christmas Markets at the end of 2026? This is a unique initiative by Workability (Mayo North East). Eligibility criteria applies. Contact us to find out more now! Email: <a href="mailto:carolynohara@mayonortheastldc.com">carolynohara@mayonortheastldc.com</a> Text: <b>087 499 6606</b> . Call: <b>087 398 0575</b>
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<b>Alone Volunteers:</b> Would you be willing to provide companionship to an older person locally? ALONE are seeking volunteers in your area. Full training and support provided. If interested, please apply via the ALONE website at <a href="http://www.alone.ie">www.alone.ie</a> or for further information please contact us on <a href="mailto:volunteer@alone.ie">volunteer@alone.ie</a> or call 0818 222 024. <i>If you are over 60 and would like to know more about the services ALONE can offer you, please call 0818 222 024.</i>
<b>Would you like someone to talk to?</b> SeniorLine is Ireland's national telephone service for older people open every day of the year 10am-10pm, Freephone <b>1800 80 45 91</b> . You may feel isolated, alone, bereaved or far from family. SeniorLine's older volunteers are trained to listen, to support and refer to other helpful services if necessary. So don't be alone, and lift the phone. Phone <b>SeniorLine 1800 80 45 91</b> , No problem too big or too small.
<b>Accord Ballaghaderreen</b> offers a confidential counselling service where couples can explore family relationships. Accord counsellors can help if relationships are under stress. For online counselling please visit <a href="http://www.accord.ie">www.accord.ie</a> . Alternatively to book a face to face counselling session call Accord Ballaghaderreen on <b>0879972503</b> .
<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</b> in <b>Ballina Community Centre</b> .
<b>Bereavement Support Meeting</b> in the Family Centre, Knock on <b>Wednesdays at 11 am</b> . No appointment is needed and all are welcome. <b>Further information from Monica Morley on 094 9375320</b>
<b>Experienced a cardiac event? 'It's Cardiac Rehab!'</b> A podcast series for you developed by the <b>Irish Association of Cardiac Rehabilitation and Irish Heart Foundation</b> to support your recovery. It's all about getting you better than before. <a href="https://irishheart.ie/services-for-you/its-cardiac-rehab-podcast/">https://irishheart.ie/services-for-you/its-cardiac-rehab-podcast/</a>
<b>MyMind</b> provide mental health professional therapy with <b>Free appointments</b> for homeowners in Mayo affected by Defective Concrete Blocks: <a href="https://www.mymind.org/free-counselling/">https://www.mymind.org/free-counselling/</a> . Location in Mayo North East (MNE) Office, Kevin St, Ballina and Tacu Ballinrobe. Registration and appointment: <a href="http://www.mymind.org">www.mymind.org</a> or call 0818 500 800.
<b>For Young Women (18-40yrs) who are discerning a Vocation to Religious/Consecrated Life</b> , monthly meetings are held in Charleville Retreat Centre, Cork. The day includes prayer, talks, Holy Mass, Adoration and a chance to meet and chat with religious sisters of different communities. If you are interested in attending please email <a href="mailto:womendiscern@corkandross.org">womendiscern@corkandross.org</a>
<b>Strengthen your skills for gaining employment.</b> Join our Computer 7 Office Skills course. QQ1 Level 4/5 If you or someone you know has an additional support need and are registered with the Department of Social Protection you are entitled to free upskilling. Contact: Centre Manager, Mary Hanlon (087 361 10960) or <a href="mailto:Castlebar@nin.ie">Castlebar@nin.ie</a> NLN, Breaffy Road, Castlebar.
<b>The Year Ahead:</b> Do you have a medical condition, difficulty or disability? Are you looking for work, or wanting to improve your employment prospects? Do you want to make plans for the rest of 2026? Not sure where to start? Contact the <b>Mayo North East Workability</b> programme now to find out how we can assist you. Email <a href="mailto:roseariamangan@mayonortheastldc.com">roseariamangan@mayonortheastldc.com</a> or call Siobhán 087 499 6605 for more info. Labhair linn i módh ruin. All confidential.
<b>The Mother and Baby Institutions Payment Scheme</b> 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: <a href="http://www.gov.ie/en/department-of-children-disability-and-equality/campaigns/mother-and-baby-institutions-payment-scheme/">www.gov.ie/en/department-of-children-disability-and-equality/campaigns/mother-and-baby-institutions-payment-scheme/</a> . <b>Contact Helpline: 01 522 9922</b> (call to request application pack) All applications are handled with care, dignity and full confidentiality.

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**Ward Agricultural Consultants and Forestry Service Ltd** are taking expressions of interest for the new forestry knowledge transfer discussion groups - Focus area B – forest management plans and forest certification. Earn up to €560 to learning all about managing your forestry, this course will also help you draw up a forestry management plan and apply for the forestry certification grant of €1200. Call, text, or whatsapp your name and forestry number to 0879193371. Any questions please call the same number. We are also available to help you with the BISS 2026 application.

**Home Sharers Required: Western Care Association** is looking for people to provide respite breaks for children and adults across Co. Mayo, in your own home. If interested or would like further information, please contact Ruth Kneafsey, Home Share co-ordinator on 094 9029148.

**Atlantic Care** are urgently recruiting Caregivers to provide quality support, companionship, and assistance for seniors, ensuring comfort within their own homes. Competitive rates of pay and support network. If you are interested contact Nollag 0949014028

**Westcare Homecare** are currently recruiting staff in your local area and would love to hear from interested applicants.

To apply or find out more, please contact [recruitment@westcarehomecare.ie](mailto:recruitment@westcarehomecare.ie) or call 071 9300034.

**Dovida Care:** We are looking for Caregivers across Mayo. Help us provide care to those most in need. Competitive Pay. Mileage Payment. Full Training provided. Full Support from the office. No experience required as we provide full training. Check out our website: [www.dovida.ie](http://www.dovida.ie) or Email: [hr.mayo@dovida.ie](mailto:hr.mayo@dovida.ie)

**SUPPORT HELPLINES**

St. Vincent de Paul: 083 8887777 [www.svp.ie](http://www.svp.ie) Samaritans: 116 123 [www.samaritans.ie](http://www.samaritans.ie) Womens Aid: 1800 341 900 [www.womensaid.ie](http://www.womensaid.ie)

Pieta House: 1800 247 247 [www.pieta.ie](http://www.pieta.ie)

Childline: 1800 66 66 66 [www.childline.ie](http://www.childline.ie)

SeniorLine: 1800 80 45 91 [www.thirdageireland.ie](http://www.thirdageireland.ie)

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