



Collooney & Ballinacarrow (Kilvarnet) Parish

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Office Hours (Secretary present): 10.00 am – 1.00 pm (Monday – Friday)

February 3rd & 4th 2024 – Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Church of the Assumption, Collooney - Masses

- Sat. 3rd 8.00 pm Philomena & Michael McKeon / Catherine & Thomas Mc Keon, Kinnagrelly, Collooney & deceased of the Mc Keon & Lynch families
Bernard & Nancy Sweeney, Coolteen (Anniv.) / Brian & Bridget Mc Dermott, Carrickbanagher
- Sun. 4th 11.00 am Eugene Nellany (12th Anniversary) and deceased of the Nellany family
- Mon. 5th 10.00 am People of the Parish (Note later time) **Tues 6th – Fri 9th 9.00am** Private Intentions
- Sat. 10th 8.00 pm Michael Henry Knockbeg (6th Anniv.) & deceased of Henry family / Paddy & Gertrude Taheny & deceased of the Taheny & Flynn families / Robbie Nicholson, Gleann & parents Arthur & Mary / Josephine O'Grady (1st Anniv) Dublin, her brother John Leydon (12th Anniv) & deceased family mem
- Sun. 11th 11.00 am People of the Parish Community

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

- Sat. 3th 6.30 pm Private Intention **Sun. 4th 9.30 am** Private Intention
- Sat. 10th 11.30 am Annie Lang (Month's Mind)
- Sat. 10th 6.30 pm Tom & Ann O'Grady & son Padraic **Sun. 11th 9.30 am** Private Intention

Many thanks - for your very generous response to the monthly Collooney Church Conservation appeal.

Online Donations - can now be made securely through the parish website at www.kilvarnetparish.com/donate-online

Ballinacarrow Church

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| Readers | 6.30 pm Sat. 3 rd | Grainne Davey | 9.30 am Sun. 4 th | Attracta Madden |
| | 6.30 pm Sat. 10 th | Mary Muldoon | 9.30 am Sun. 11 th | Tommy McGrath |
| Ministers of the Eucharist: | 6.30 pm Sat. 3 rd | Ann Collery | 9.30 am Sun. 4 th | Mary Madden |
| | 6.30 pm Sat. 10 th | Ellen Conway | 9.30 am Sun. 11 th | Des Brett |
| Offertory Baskets: Feb: | 6.30 pm Sat. | Seamus Hogge | 9.30 am Sun. | George Faney |

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| Readers | 8.00 pm Sat. 3 rd | Sr. Margaret Ruddy | 11.00 am Sun. 4 th | Stuart Fallon |
| | 8.00 pm Sat. 10 th | John Walsh | 11.00 am Sun. 11 th | Rosemary Rogers |
| Ministers of the Eucharist: | 8.00 pm Sat. 3 rd | Sr. Margaret Ruddy | 11.00 am Sun. 4 th | Patricia Mc Cann |
| | 8.00 pm Sat. 10 th | Paddy Gilbin | 11.00 am Sun. 11 th | Pasty Sweeney |

We remember in our prayers – the soul of Carmel Walshe, Markree, and formerly of Glenfarne Co. Leitrim. RIP

Candlemas Day – was on Friday, February 2nd. Candles for use in the home and in the Church were blessed during the 9 am Mass that morning. Thanks to all who donate candles for use in the Churches each year. It is much appreciated.

Feast of St. Blaise – takes place on Saturday, February 3rd. A general blessing of throats will take place after 8pm Mass.

Thanks – to deacon Kevin for organising the making of St. Brigid's crosses again this year. The work is much appreciated

Sunday, 18th February at 4pm in St. Nathy's Cathedral, Ballaghaderreen - Blessing of engaged couples and those celebrating significant anniversaries of marriage (e.g. 10 years, 20 years, 25 years, 40 years, 50 years and longer!).

Church Gate Collection – this weekend in aid of *Irish Pilgrimage Trust* who help to bring pilgrims to Lourdes.

Reminder - Sunday Morning Masses in both churches can be booked for Mass Intentions, as for Saturday evenings.

Ballinacarrow National School - are holding their *Open Day* on Thurs. 8th Feb. (6 -7pm). Bring along your new starter and meet the staff who will be happy to show you the facilities and the opportunities available in the school.

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 to one consultation service. Putting your needs and wellbeing first, helping you manage often stressful, difficult and emotional issues. If you would like further information please contact (071) 9150578 / (085) 875 9319 or email sligoleitrim@alcoholforum.com.

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.

St. Lassaras Ballinacarrow NS Parents Association - are holding a bake sale on Sunday 4th February from 10.00 am to 1.00 pm, in Ballinacarrow Community Centre. All support greatly appreciated.

Apologies – for any inconvenience caused by roadworks outside the church. Hopefully, they will soon be completed.

St. Vincent de Paul – can be contacted on (087) 1868494. Leave your name & number on the answering service.

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

To Guarantee Mass Intentions - being included in the weekend newsletter, they should be requested no later than two weeks prior to the Mass being offered. Weekend Newsletters are often printed early in the week.

Cemetery Masses 2024 – Collooney: 8.00 pm on Friday, August 2nd / Kilvarnet: 8.00 pm on Wednesday, August 7th.

Invitation to Friends of Carmel - gathering at Holy Hill on Saturday 24th February 2024. Theme: *'Sons and Daughters of your Father in Heaven'*. Begin at 10.30 with coffee and finish at 4pm with a soup lunch provided by the community. (Donations invited on the day). All are very welcome! Please let us know if you would like to join us by emailing friendsofcarmelhh@gmail.com

Anyone who wishes - to be added to the monthly Holy Communion visitation list, please let Fr. Martin know.

St Lassara's NS, Ballinacarrow are holding a clothes collection between now and March to raise money for the school. They would love if you could gather up your unused clothes and drop them to the school. They can also accept PAIRS of shoes, handbags and belts but PLEASE no duvets or pillows. Any queries to (071) 9130350.

Collooney Church – will close at 5 pm for the duration of the winter months.

Sligo GAA - is running a Supporters' Bus to Ennis for the opening round of the Allianz Football League Division 3 fixture against Clare on Sun., 28th January. Bus departs Sligo Junction, Collooney at 9.40 am Sunday morning Jan. 28th. Bus will depart Ennis 40 minutes after the final whistle, and will return to Scarden at approximately 7.00 pm. Tickets are now on sale at www.sligogaa.ie/tickets. Adults €25 (20% discount for Club Sligo members). Children (U16): €10. Booking closes 10:00 pm - Wednesday 24th January. This will be a family friendly bus. No alcohol allowed.

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Living Well is a free HSE programme which helps people living with a long-term health condition to manage their condition and improve their overall wellbeing. Anyone with any chronic illness such as diabetes, arthritis, COPD, cardiac illness, anxiety, etc. can benefit from these workshops. The next programme is in Boyle. It commences on Tuesday March 12th. The programme is delivered over six weekly workshops (2.5 hrs x 6) by trained leaders. Advance registration is required. For more info. contact Liam Gildea on (086) 0142675 or by email at lgildea@southmayo.com

Irish Catholic Newspaper – is available through the parish to those who wish to get a weekly copy. Price €3.00.

First Holy Communion Dates 2024: Ballinacarrow 11.00 am Sat., April 27th **Collooney** 11.00 am Sat., May 11th

The Sacrament of Confirmation - will be administered on Saturday, May 18th 2024 at 11.00 am for both schools

Confessions available – after each Mass or by appointment.