



## Collooney & Ballinacarrow (Kilvarnet) Parish

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

February 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> 2024 – Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time



### Church of the Assumption, Collooney - Masses

Sat. 10<sup>th</sup> 8.00 pm Michael Henry Knockbeg (6<sup>th</sup> Anniv.) & deceased of Henry family / Paddy & Gertrude Taheny & deceased of the Taheny & Flynn families / Robbie Nicholson, Gleann & parents Arthur & Mary / Josephine O'Grady (1<sup>st</sup> Anniv) Dublin, her brother John Leydon (12<sup>th</sup> Anniv) & deceased family mem

Sun. 11<sup>th</sup> 11.00 am People of the Parish Community

Mon. 12<sup>th</sup> - Tues 13<sup>th</sup> 9.00am Private Intentions

Thur. 15<sup>th</sup> - Fri 16<sup>th</sup> 9.00am Private Intentions

Sat. 17<sup>th</sup> 12.00 pm Julian Rapehael Riera Castillo (Month's Mind)

Sat. 17<sup>th</sup> 8.00 pm Martha Molloy (Anniv.) / Frances Breslin / Paddy Jennings

Sun. 18<sup>th</sup> 11.00 am People of the Parish Community

Wed. 14<sup>th</sup> 9.00am & 7.00 pm Ash Wednesday



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

Sat. 10<sup>th</sup> 6.30 pm Tom & Ann O'Grady & son Padraic

Sun. 11<sup>th</sup> 9.30 am Private Intention

Wed. 14<sup>th</sup> 9.30 am & 7.00 pm Ash Wednesday

Sat. 17<sup>th</sup> 6.30 pm Private Intentions

Sun. 18<sup>th</sup> 9.30 am Private Intention

**Collection (Jan 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>)** Many thanks for your ongoing generosity and support. It is much appreciated.

**Online Donations** - can now be made securely through the parish website at [www.kilvarnetparish.com/donate-online](http://www.kilvarnetparish.com/donate-online)

### Ballinacarrow Church

**Readers** 6.30 pm Sat. 10<sup>th</sup> Mary Muldoon 9.30 am Sun. 11<sup>th</sup> Tommy McGrath

6.30 pm Sat. 17<sup>th</sup> Sharon Callaghan 9.30 am Sun. 18<sup>th</sup> Tony Bolton

**Ministers of the Eucharist:** 6.30 pm Sat. 10<sup>th</sup> Ellen Conway 9.30 am Sun. 11<sup>th</sup> Des Brett

6.30 pm Sat. 17<sup>th</sup> Mairéad Bourke 9.30 am Sun. 18<sup>th</sup> Martina Scanlon

**Offertory Baskets: Feb:** 6.30 pm Sat. Seamus Hogge 9.30 am Sun. George Faney

### Collooney Church

**Readers.** 8.00 pm Sat. 10<sup>th</sup> John Walsh 11.00 am Sun. 11<sup>th</sup> Rosemary Rogers

8.00 pm Sat. 17<sup>th</sup> Bernadette Morris Roe 11.00 am Sun. 18<sup>th</sup> Jacinta Walsh

**Ministers of the Eucharist:** 8.00 pm Sat. 10<sup>th</sup> Paddy Gilbin 11.00 am Sun. 11<sup>th</sup> Pasty Sweeney

8.00 pm Sat. 17<sup>th</sup> Kathleen White 11.00 am Sun. 18<sup>th</sup> Mary Doherty

**Sunday, 18<sup>th</sup> 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!).

**The Season of Lent** – begins on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> with Ash Wednesday. Masses in the parish will be as listed above.

**Trocaire Boxes** – are available at the exit doors in both churches. Please consider taking one home.

**Are you affected** - by the misuse of alcohol or other drugs by another individual? **5 Step Support Service** can help you. It is a free, non-judgemental, one to one consultation service. Putting your needs and wellbeing first, helping you manage stressful, difficult & emotional issues. Call (071) 9150578; (085)875 9319; E. [sligoleitrim@alcoholforum.com](mailto:sligoleitrim@alcoholforum.com)

**Tax Rebate Scheme** – brought in a very significant amount. This sum represents the tax already paid by parishioners on their donations to the church during 2022. If the tax is not claimed back by the charity it was donated to, it will remain with Revenue. Huge thanks to all who help with this scheme and have signed a CHY3 form last year. The form is good for 5 years. It will be used again to gain another rebate for contributions made in 2023 - unless an individual advises us otherwise. If you donate to the church and pay tax and did not sign a CHY3 form last spring, please consider doing so now. Forms (along with an explanatory note) are available at the exit doors. The scheme does not affect your tax liability

**Training for Parish Pastoral Councils** – will take place in the Gateway Hotel, Swinford on Monday, February 26<sup>th</sup> at 7.30 pm. A presentation will be given by Justin Harkin (Elphin Diocese). All members of Pastoral Councils are invited.

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

**Ballinacarrow N.S. Parent Association** - are holding a 25 card game for children 7+ in the Ballinacarrow Community Centre on Sun. Feb. 18<sup>th</sup> from 10am-11am (or after mass), we are inviting anyone from 7 up who wants to learn how to play 25 to come join us. Admission Free. Parent supervision essential.

**The annual Achonry Pioneer Dinner Dance** - will be held on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March at 8pm sharp at The Yeats County Inn, Curry. Music by *The Duets*. Tickets are €35 per person. Please contact Thomas at 087-2344338 to book tickets.

**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](http://www.kilvarnetparish.com/newsletters).

**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 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, [www.achonrydiocese.org](http://www.achonrydiocese.org). I hope this will be helpful in outlining the process so far and charting the next steps on the journey.

**Santiago de Compostello 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.

**Please consider volunteering with SVP** - and become part of the largest charitable organisation in the country. Offering a little bit of help at the right time can give people hope for the future. Volunteers sharing their time and skills can change lives forever! SVP will host an open meeting in SVP Ozanam House, 45 John Street Sligo, from 7p.m - 8.30pm on the 13<sup>th</sup> of February for people who are interested in joining SVP across county Sligo. For more information, please call membership support officer Orla Beirne on 087 775 7426 or email: [orla.beirne@svp.ie](mailto:orla.beirne@svp.ie)

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**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.

**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 2<sup>nd</sup> / Kilvarnet: 8.00 pm on Wednesday, August 7<sup>th</sup>.

**Invitation to Friends of Carmel** - gathering at Holy Hill on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:friendsofcarmelhh@gmail.com)

**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.

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

**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 12<sup>th</sup>. 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@southm Mayo.com](mailto:lgildea@southm Mayo.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 27<sup>th</sup> **Collooney** 11.00 am Sat., May 11<sup>th</sup>

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

**Confessions available** - after each Mass or by appointment.