



## Collooney & Ballinacarrow (Kilvarnet) Parish

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

March 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> 2024 – Third Sunday of Lent



### Church of the Assumption, Collooney - Masses

Sat. 2 <sup>nd</sup>	8.00 pm	People of the Parish Community
Sun. 3 <sup>rd</sup>	11.00 am	Sandra Nealis / Joe Hargadon & dec. of the Hargadon & Brady families
Mon. 4 <sup>th</sup> – Fri 8 <sup>th</sup>	9.00 am	Private Intentions
Sat. 9 <sup>th</sup>	8.00 pm	John (Séan) Taheny, Union (9 <sup>th</sup> Anniv.) / Nora Ewing (3 <sup>rd</sup> Anniv.) / Pearse Ewing (1 <sup>st</sup> Anniv.) Michael Doyle (13 <sup>th</sup> Anniv.) / Mairead Flynn, Riverhouse.
Sun. 10 <sup>th</sup>	11.00 am	Mairead Flynn, Riverhouse.

# LENT

Pray + Fast + Give

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

Sat. 2 <sup>nd</sup>	6.30 pm	Robbie & Frank Anderson, Carrickbanagher & dec. of the Anderson family.
Sun. 3 <sup>rd</sup>	9.30 am	Private Intention
Sat. 9 <sup>th</sup>	6.30 pm	Private Intention
	Sun. 10 <sup>th</sup> 9.30 am	Private Intention

**Collection** - Many thanks for your ongoing 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

<b>Readers</b>	6.30 pm Sat. 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Mary Coleman	9.30 am Sun. 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Kiernan White
	6.30 pm Sat. 9 <sup>th</sup>	Grainne Davey	9.30 am Sun. 10 <sup>th</sup>	Tony Bolton
<b>Ministers of the Eucharist:</b>	6.30 pm Sat. 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Mary Coleman	9.30 am Sun. 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Martina Coleman
	6.30 pm Sat. 9 <sup>th</sup>	Ann Collery	9.30 am Sun. 10 <sup>th</sup>	Des Brett
<b>Offertory Baskets: Mar:</b>	6.30 pm Sat.	Johnny O'Donnell	9.30 am Sun.	Al White

### Collooney Church

<b>Readers</b>	8.00 pm Sat. 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Patricia Armstrong	11.00 am Sun. 3 <sup>th</sup>	Patricia Mc Cann
	8.00 pm Sat. 9 <sup>th</sup>	Kate Henry	11.00 am Sun. 10 <sup>th</sup>	Ann Nellany
<b>Ministers of the Eucharist:</b>	8.00 pm Sat. 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Roselynn Wynne	11.00 am Sun. 3 <sup>th</sup>	Mary McGerrick
	8.00 pm Sat. 9 <sup>th</sup>	Sr. Ann	11.00 am Sun. 10 <sup>th</sup>	Martin Scanlon

**Please arrange a replacement / cover** - if you are unable to read or act as Eucharistic Minister etc.,

**We Remember in our Prayers** – the soul of Rickie Devine (Jnr.), Keash, who was buried during the week. R.I.P.

**Volunteer Readers** – needed for Holy Week / Easter Ceremonies. You don't have to be a regular reader to volunteer. Let Fr. Martin know as soon as possible if interested.

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

**Bishops' Statement on March 8<sup>th</sup> Referendums** – copies are available at the exit doors. It can also be found online <https://www.catholicbishops.ie>

**Are you affected** - by the misuse of alcohol or other drugs by another individual? **5 Step Support Service** can help manage stressful, difficult & emotional issues. Call (071) 9150578; (085)875 9319; E. [sligoleitrim@alcoholforum.com](mailto:sligoleitrim@alcoholforum.com)

**Tax Rebate Scheme** – final reminder to return CHY forms if they apply to you and have not done so to date.

**Beltra Country Market** - Saturdays 10am-12.30pm. New members welcome - bakers, vegetable growers, crafters etc

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

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

**Passion Play 2024** – Great to see so many new and former members turning up for rehearsals of the *Good Friday Passion Play* of old, last staged in Cloonamahon on Good Friday 1999. Next rehearsals are on **Monday 4<sup>th</sup> at 8.00 pm** and **Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> at 8.00 pm**. More actors / volunteers needed to ensure its return after an absence of 25 years.

**Retreat for Readers & Eucharistic Ministers** within the three parishes of Collooney, Coolaney and Ballisodare takes place in Ballisodare Church on Sunday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> (5.00 pm– 6.00 pm). All readers and ministers are asked to attend.

**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.

**Church Spring Clean** – takes place in Collooney Church on the Saturday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> at 2 pm. Volunteers needed.

**Ballymote St Patrick's Day Parade** will take place on Sunday the 17<sup>th</sup> of March at 3.30 pm. Entries are now being accepted. To get an application form email [ballymotestpatricksparade@gmail.com](mailto:ballymotestpatricksparade@gmail.com) or from our Facebook page.

**Catholic Charismatic Renewal** – with Maria Vadia in Clayton Hotel, Sligo on Saturday, March 16<sup>th</sup> 9.30 am to 6.00 pm. Mass at 5.00 pm. Contact (085) 7765294 or (087) 6998397.

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

**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>.

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

**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.

**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@southmayo.com](mailto: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 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