



Collooney & Ballinacarrow (Kilvarnet) Parish Newsletter

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Office Hours (Secretary present): 9.30 am – 12.30 pm (Monday – Friday)

Oct. 25th & 26th 2025 – Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Church of the Assumption, Collooney – Masses

Sat. 25 th	8.00 pm	Tommy Breheny (late of Knockbeg & London) and son, Paul Breheny (late of London)
Sun. 26 th	11.00 am	Margaret & Larry Davey, their son Lawrence & grandson, Baby Stephen Davey & family
Mon. 27 th - Fri 31 st	9.00 am	Private Intentions
Sat. 1 st	10.00 am	Feast of All Saints
Sat. 1 st	8.00 pm	Vigil Mass Feast of All Souls
Sun. 2 nd	11.00 am	Feast of All Souls

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

Sat. 25 th	6.30 pm	Vinnie Mullen, Ballinbole, his parents Tom & Mai & brother Paddy
Sun. 26 th	9.30 am	Private Intention
Sat. 1 st	9.30 am	Feast of All Saints
Sun. 2 nd	9.30 am	Feast of All Souls
Fri. 31 st	6.30 pm	Vigil Mass Feast of All Saints
Sat. 1 st	6.30 pm	Vigil Mass Feast of All Souls

Offertory Collection (Oct. 18th & 19th) Many thanks for your ongoing generosity & support. Much appreciated.

Ballinacarrow Church

Readers	6.30 pm	Sat. 25 th	Mary Coleman	9.30 am	Sun. 26 th	Kiernan White
	6.30 pm	Fri. 31 st	Bernadette White	9.30 pm	Sat. 1 st	Attracta Madden
	6.30 pm	Sat. 1 st	Peter Kearns	9.30 am	Sun. 2 nd	Sinead Wims
Ministers of Communion	6.30 pm	Sat. 25 th	Marian Nellany	9.30 am	Sun. 26 th	Mary Coleman
	6.30 pm	Fri. 31 st	Mairead Burke	9.30 pm	Sat. 1 st	Des Brett
	6.30 pm	Sat. 1 st	Marian O'Donnell	9.30 am	Sun. 2 nd	Mary Madden
Offertory Baskets: Nov.	6.30 pm	Sat.	Seamus Hogge	9.30 am	Sun.	Al White

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Readers	8.00 pm	Sat. 25 th	Patricia Armstrong	11.00 am	Sun. 26 th	Stuart Fallon
	8.00 pm	Sat. 1 st	Kate Henry	11.00 am	Sun. 2 nd	Jacinta Walsh
Ministers of Communion	8.00 pm	Sat. 25 th	Chris O'Grady	11.00 am	Sun. 26 th	Patricia McCann
	8.00 pm	Sat. 1 st	Edward Mullin	11.00 am	Sun. 2 nd	Sheila Gray

November 1st - is the Feast of All Saints and is a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses are as listed above.

We Remember in our Prayers – The Soul of **Coleman Mc Carthy** (husband of Anna Keane, Carrantavey) whose funeral Mass took place during the week. May his soul Rest in Peace

Thank You – Brian & Martina McGonigle would like to convey a huge thank you to everyone who supported & donated to their recent Coffee Day, in aid of North West Hospice. €1,850.00 was raised for this very worthy cause.

November Masses for the Dead – will be said, as usual, in November. Lists for names of the dead and envelopes are available at the back of the churches. Daily Mass each morning in November will be offered for the Holy Souls.

Meeting – (for exploratory discussions on synchronising Mass times between Collooney and Coolaney parishes) will take place at **after 11.00 am Mass on Sunday, October 26th** next in Collooney Church. All are welcome. No change to Mass times in Ballinacarrow is envisaged unless requested. Parishioners from Ballinacarrow Pastoral Area welcome

St Vincent de Paul - gratefully acknowledge receipt of a recent anonymous donation of €100. Many thanks.

First Saturday Devotion – Saturday, Nov. 1st in Collooney Church 7.00 pm – 7.50 pm. All welcome.

The annual Mission Sunday collection - was taken up. Thanks to all who contributed. Donations can still be made. There is an envelope for this purpose in the Box of Offertory Envelopes. Envelopes are also available at the exit doors.

Dates for your diary (November & December 2025)

Rosary in both Cemeteries – after 9.30 am and 11.00 am Masses respectively on Sun. Nov 16th (weather permitting)

Service of Remembrance of the Dead – 5.00 pm on Sunday, November 16th (Collooney Church)

Service of Carols & Readings – 5.00 pm Sunday, on December 14th (Collooney Church)

The Youth 2000 Connaught Retreat - takes place on Nov. 21-23 in Summerhill College. Workshops, music, talks, testimonies & more. Donation only. Register online at Youth2000.ie. For more info. Mail: connaught@youth2000.ie.

Safeguarding Newsletter – from the Western Dioceses is available at the exit doors. Please bring a copy home.

Deadline for submission of News items / Mass Intentions - is 12.00 pm on the previous Wednesday.

Thought for the Day: Forbidden fruits create many jams (Anon.)

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

Gathering of Pastoral Councils (Achonry & Elphin) in Abbey Hotel, Roscommon 10.00 am on Saturday Nov. 8th
Please Note – No 9.00 am Mass on the day of a funeral unless there is a named Mass intention.

The Phoenix Players (together with Coolaney Gospel Choir) present an evening of drama and song at St Brigid's Hall Tubbercurry on Bank Holiday Monday, 27th of October at 7pm. The Phoenix Players will perform their One-Act Play, "The Dumb Waiter" by Harold Pinter and the Coolaney Gospel Choir will perform a wonderful selection of their choral numbers. A great night's entertainment is promised. Tickets €15 / €10 for U16s, and are available on the door.

Irish Conversation Class – Beginners / Improvers in Ballintogher Enterprise Centre F91 C2HT. Thursday evenings. Commencing shortly. To register please contact (087) 6645509 or email ballintogherhub@yhoo.com

Achonry Pioneer Total Abstinence Association - If anyone in the parish would like to receive their Silver, Gold or Diamond Pioneer pin or become a member, please email achonrypioneers@gmail.com or call Thomas at 0872344338
Healing Service with Eddie Stones – 7.00 pm on Fri., Oct. 24th in Sligo Cathedral. Enquiries (085) 7765294.

Online Payments - to either church can be made securely and conveniently by scanning the QR Code opposite or by visiting the parish website: <https://kilvarnetparish.com/donate-online>



Would you like someone to talk to? *SeniorLine* is Ireland's national telephone service for older people and is open every day of the year 10am -10pm, Freephone 1800 80 45 91. Callers may feel isolated, alone, wish to discuss a problem in confidence, or for company during their day. *SeniorLine's* older volunteers are trained to listen, to support, to discuss options & to refer caller to other helpful services if necessary. So don't be alone. It helps to share a problem.

Church Carpark – every effort is being made to ensure the carpark is free & available for church goers when needed.

Those in hospital / a nursing home - who would like a visit, please let Fr. Martin know.

The weekly bereavement support group – meets at Knock Shrine on Wednesday mornings at 11am in the Family Centre. It provides an opportunity for those who have lost a loved one to meet others who are bereaved and to share and talk about their experience of loss as well as find hope and healing again in their lives. No appointment is needed.

A gathering of the Parish Pastoral Councils from the dioceses of Achonry & Elphin will be held in the Abbey Hotel, Roscommon on Sat., Nov. 8th, starting at 10.00 a.m. and finishing with lunch. The day will be facilitated by Gráinne Doherty, who has previously facilitated the Achonry PPC members at our gathering in Kiltimagh, a year ago. This day will be an opportunity for the members of PPCs across the two dioceses to get to know one another.

Please Note – if receiving Holy Communion, it must be consumed *immediately* and *must not* be brought back to your seat or brought away. Holy Communion is so sacred and so precious that it must always be shown total respect.

Family Carers Ireland - 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 charity supporting Ireland's 500,000+ family carers nationwide. For more info call 057 93 70221 or visit www.familycarers.ie.

A Prayerful Atmosphere – should prevail at all times in our churches, especially when Masses are being celebrated. Mobile phones should be turned off & there should be no talking. People who come to pray should not be distracted.

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Five 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. It puts 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. You don't have to be addicted to suffer from addiction! '5-Step' is a free, one-to-one consultation service for any adult affected by the misuse of alcohol or other drugs by another individual, either family member or friend. '5-Step' recognises the impact that addiction has on everyone, including family members, friends and others. This could be physical and mental health, social life, finances, home life and employment. '5-Step' offers support, knowledge and guidance in helping to manage often confusing and emotional situations.