



Collooney & Ballinacarrow (Kilvarnet) Parish Newsletter

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

Nov. 8th & 9th 2025 – Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica



Church of the Assumption, Collooney – Masses

Sat. 8th 8.00 pm Molly Gill (née Bonar)/Margaret & Bernard Scanlon, Carrickbanagher & all the Scanlon family. Pat & Margaret Watters & daughter Ann & dec. members of Watters family/Vivienne Hennessy. Michael Mullin (Month's Mind)

Sun. 9th 11.00 am *First Communion Preparation Mass* Mon. 10th - Fri. 14th 9.00 am Masses for the Holy Souls

Sat. 15th 8.00 pm Annie O'Connor (nee Farrell) 9th Anniversary

Sun. 16th 11.00 am Brian O'Connell, Rowantree Gardens

Rosary in St. Nathy's Cemetery, Collooney immediately after 11.00 am Mass

Sun. 16th 5.00 pm *Service of Remembrance of the Dead & Prayer for the Bereaved*

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

Sat. 8th 6.30 pm Willie & Kathleen Melvin & grandson Ian Sun. 9th 9.30 am *First Communion Preparation*

Sat. 15th 6.30 pm Mary Clarke (Months Mind)/ Mattie Brennnan, Cloonacurra (5th anniv)

Sun. 16th 9.30 am Private Intention Rosary in Kilvarnet Cemetery immediately after 9.30 am Mass

Offertory Collection (Nov. 1st & 2nd) Many thanks for your ongoing generosity and support. It is much appreciated.

Ballinacarrow Church

Readers	6.30 pm	Sat. 8 th	Bernadette White	9.30 am	Sun. 9 th	Tommy Mc Grath
	6.30 pm	Sat. 15 th	Caitriona Coleman	9.30 am	Sun. 16 th	Attracta Madden
Ministers	6.30 pm	Sat. 8 th	Marian Nellaney	9.30 am	Sun. 9 th	Martina Scanlon
Communion	6.30 pm	Sat. 15 th	Mairead Burke	9.30 am	Sun. 16 th	Des Brett
Offertory Baskets: Nov.	6.30 pm Sat.		Seamus Hogge	9.30 am	Sun.	Al White

Collooney Church

Readers	8.00 pm	Sat. 8 th	Edward Mullin	11.00 am	Sun. 9 th	Rosemary Rogers
	8.00 pm	Sat. 15 th	Bernadette Morrisroe	11.00 am	Sun. 16 th	Ann Nellany
Ministers of	8.00 pm	Sat. 8 th	Paddy Gilbin	11.00 am	Sun. 9 th	Pasty Sweeney
Communion	8.00 pm	Sat. 15 th	Michael Molloy	11.00 am	Sun. 16 th	Patricia McCann

We Remember in our Prayers – the souls of brothers John and Alphonsus Culkin, Dromore West (brothers of Annie Conway, Finlough) who both died separately on November 4th. May their souls Rest in Peace.

November Masses for the Dead – are said each morning in November. Lists and envelopes available in the churches.

Parish Consultation on Mass Times – Parishioners are asked to express their preferences on the sheets provided and place in the box at the back of the Church by Monday, November 10th. Any changes agreed become effective on Jan. 1st

Brief Meeting after 11.00 am Mass Sunday 23rd – to discuss the outcome of the parish consultation. All are welcome.

Collooney Church Closes – at 5.00 pm for the winter months.

Collooney-Ballinacarrow Christmas Cards – are now on sale. Two separate selections of 4 different cards. Available from Collooney Church sacristy after each Mass and from the Parochial House. Price same as last year. 4 cards for €10.

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

Upcoming Events in Ballinacarrow

Christmas Fair 6th Dec - 11am -2pm – Parents' Association / **Christmas Dance 6th Dec 9pm** - Hall Committee
Exercise Classes - 5 Tuesdays starting 11th Nov - Mairead Keane in conjunction with Sligo Sports and Partnership
Sligo South Walking Club - meetings held in Ballinacarrow Com. Centre – Nov. walking Series starting 9th Nov.
Learn to Play 25 - continues for next 3 Mondays 8pm - Hall Committee.

Please Note – No 9.00 am Mass on the day of a funeral unless there is a named Mass intention

Rambling House Night in Ballintogher Enterprise Centre (F91 C2 HT) on Friday 21st Nov. at 8.00 pm. Taking a trip down memory lane!! with music, story, song, chat etc. All Welcome to come along, bring your talent and a friend

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)

Collooney Church Clean-up – 11.00am, Tuesday, Dec, 2nd (Please note the change of date from original day)

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

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

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

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>



Conference - to honour the life and teachings of Venerable Archbishop Fulton Sheen on Saturday, 15th November in Knock Shrine. Dr. Peter Howard, author, Theologian, Mariologist and one of the world's foremost experts on Fulton Sheen, presents three main talks. This will be Ireland's first event of its kind and highlights Fulton Sheen's message on the importance of the Daily Holy Hour in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament. Event starts at 10:30 with Confessions & Adoration in the Reconciliation Chapel followed by talks in St John's Centre and Holy Mass from 11:45 to 5pm. www.FultonSheenInstitute.com

New 5-week Adult Fitness Programme starting Tue Nov. 11th in Ballinacarrow Community Centre 7.00 – 8.00 pm. Cost: €30 for 5 weeks. The fitness programme is designed for adults (over 18yrs) of all fitness levels, men and women welcome, and offers a fun, supportive environment to get active, build strength, and improve overall fitness. The sessions will include a mix of strength, cardio, and mobility exercises, perfect for anyone looking to get moving and feel healthier in a friendly group setting. For more info. or to register call Mairead (087) 961 5023 or Weronica (086) 813 1773.

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

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.

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.

Thought for the Day: To trust God in the light is nothing, but to trust him in the dark. That is true faith (C. Spurgeon)

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.

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.

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

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.