

# KILLASSER/CALLOW PARISH NEWSLETTER

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## KILLASSER/CALLOW PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MISSION STATEMENT

*'We seek to become a more welcoming community where God's message of faith, hope and love is experienced'*

### REFLECTION: FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING

This weekend, we celebrate the Feast of Christ the King.

Jesus did not go around wearing a crown, nor did he expect to be treated like royalty. He spoke about the Kingdom of God. God's Kingdom is a happy place where prodigal daughters and sons always come home, where lost coins and lost sheep are always found. It is a place where bosses are kind and workers work themselves to the bone. It is a place where forgiveness and love are everywhere to be found.

We might say "How far is this from the world we live in?" If that's what you say, then I might be inclined to say "What are you and I doing about God's Kingdom? Is it a priority for me, and is Jesus (as we used to say about Big Tom) still the King?"

Fr. John Durkan.

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Fr. Stephen O'Mahony - Kiltimagh 086-8226405.

Fr Dermot Burns - Straide 094-9031029

Fr. Paraic Costelloe - Foxford 094-925131

Fr. Gerard Davey - Foxford 094-9256401

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### ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK

#### MASSES:

Saturday 21 <sup>st</sup> November:	Killasser, 8p.m.	John Brown & deceased family members Joe Carr, Craigaballagh Fr. Vincent Marren, and deceased family members
Sunday 22 <sup>nd</sup> November:	Callow, 10a.m.	People of the Parish
Sunday 22 <sup>nd</sup> November:	Killasser, 11.30a.m.	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• John &amp; Maureen Conlon, No. 5 Killasser Estate</li><li>• Tom &amp; Lizzie O'Donnell, Carramore-Moy &amp; granddaughter, Sheona</li><li>• Martina Shovlin, Dromada-Duke, her grandparents John &amp; Winnie Peyton, her uncle John Peyton &amp; her aunt, Mary Power</li></ul>
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> November:	Callow, 10a.m.	Faithful Departed
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> November:	Killasser, 10a.m.	Faithful Departed
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> November:	Callow, 7.30p.m.	Faithful Departed
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> November:	Killasser, 10a.m.	Faithful Departed Prayer Service for the Faithful Departed – Callow Church, 8p.m.
Saturday 27 <sup>th</sup> November:	Killasser, 8p.m.	Faithful Departed
Sunday 28 <sup>th</sup> November:	Callow, 10a.m.	Miceál Sheerin, Bokeen (Months Mind Mass)
Sunday 29 <sup>th</sup> November:	Killasser, 11.30a.m.	People of the Parish

We par for Kathleen Carr, Coolcastle, who died recently.

#### OFFERTORY PROCESSION NEXT WEEK:

Saturday 8 p.m. The Cronnolly Family (Doontas)

Sunday 10.00 a.m. The Kerrane Family (Callow)

Sunday 11.30 a.m. The Gavigan Family (Knocks)

NEWSLETTER NOTICE: The Parish Newsletter will be printed on Friday afternoons, please email all notices as early as possible on a Friday.

**NOVEMBER ENVELOPES:** November Envelopes for our faithful departed with the usual lists have been left in Killasser and Callow Churches. Masses will be offered for all those named on these lists during the month of November.

**DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:**

Confirmation	22 <sup>nd</sup> May 2010	Killasser Church at 11.30a.m.
First Confession	10 <sup>th</sup> March 2010	Killasser Church, 7p.m.
First Holy Communion	25 <sup>th</sup> April 2010	Killasser Church at 11.30a.m. Mass

If any of the families directly involved have a difficulty with any of these dates, Please contact Fr. John immediately.

**EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:** Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in Killasser Church on Monday 23rd November, 4 – 7p.m.

**THE OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR** 14<sup>th</sup> Nov/15<sup>th</sup> Nov amounted to €1,357

**A SPECIAL PRAYER SERVICE FOR THE DEPARTED** will be celebrated on next Friday evening at 8.00 p.m. in Callow Church. A special candle will be lit for every person who died in the parish during the past year since November 2008. A candle will also be lit for those natives of the parish who died elsewhere during the same period. Hopefully some family member of each departed person can be present at this ceremony, to pray for their relative and receive the candle to bring home. For those who cannot have a representative, the candle will be sent on to them.

**DO THIS IN MEMORY OF ME:** There will be a meeting for the Do this in Memory of Me programme in Killasser Church on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> November at 8p.m. You are invited to be there to help plan the next Mass for the programme.

**CHRISTMAS YOUTH 2000 RETREAT:** a national Youth 2000 Christmas Retreat for young people aged 16 – 35 takes place at Newbridge College, Newbridge, Co. Kildare from Friday 18<sup>th</sup> – Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> December. An opportunity not to be missed to experience the Catholic faith and meet many new friends! Contact Youth 2000 office on (01) 6753690 or (086) 3025442 for information. No Charge – Donation only. Special Buses available from some locations. See poster at the back of the Church. Website: [www.youth2000.ie](http://www.youth2000.ie)

**LECTIO DIVINA BOOKMARKS:** Free!! Beautifully produced Lectio Divina bookmarks from Youth 2000 – offered free at the back of the Church. Choice of 6 designs each with Sunday Gospel refs for 2010, synopsis of Lectio Divina and special Church dates. For more information on the work of Youth 2000 see [www.youth2000.ie](http://www.youth2000.ie) or contact National Office on (01) 6753690.

**CALLING ALL YOUNG PEOPLE:** An effort is now being made to get young people to read the Prayers of the Faithful at Sunday Mass. We hope to get as many young people from Secondary school age group to participate and eventually, to move on to doing the Sunday readings.

**TRAINING FOR ALTAR SERVERS:** Training for new Altar Servers takes place on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> November at 11a.m. in Killasser Church. Children from Carrowmore and Killasser National Schools are asked to be present that day – those now about to start serving Mass.

**ADVENT REFLECTION:** The Fr. Peyton Centre, Attymass, invites you to join them for a time of reflection to prepare for Christmas. Come for 1 day, come for 2 days, come for all 3 days, it is up to you.

Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> December, 10a.m. – 4p.m. Theme: “We are an Advent People Waiting in Joyful Hope”

Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> December, 10a.m. – 4p.m. Theme: “We are Called to Prepare the Way of the Lord”

Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> December, 10a.m. – 4p.m. Theme: The Word was Made Flesh and Dwells Among Us”

Presentations given by Fr. Steve Gibson, CSC

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament – Lunch - Celebration of the Eucharist

Donation of €22 for the Day

Please notify us in advance, preferably through your Parish priest.

Fr. Peyton Centre phone (096) 45374

**ARE YOU GETTING MARRIED IN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH?** Invest in your marriage, invest in your future. Take time out to examine the foundations of your relationship by attending an Accord Marriage Preparation Course. Contact your local centre in Charlestown on 094-9254944. Office hours are 10.00 a.m - 1.00 p.m. or log in to [www.accord.ie](http://www.accord.ie) It is very important to participate in your Marriage Preparation Course not later than a year before your Wedding date. Later than that means that you are preoccupied with many practical arrangements which makes it more difficult to really benefit from the course.

**GYM OPEN:** The gym is now open Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 6 – 9.30p.m. Membership will soon be available. For more information, contact Martin (087) 9377644.

**BOXING TOURNAMENT:** A Boxing Tournament takes place in the Community Centre on Friday night 27<sup>th</sup> November at 8p.m. sharp.

**THE COUNTRY BOY:** Many thanks to the Swinford Variety Group who presented The Country Boy in Killasser Community Centre last weekend.

**FOXFORD BINGO** continues every Friday night, commencing each night at 9.00 p.m. sharp. Up to €2,000 on offer each night. It takes place in the Sports and Leisure Centre. Your support will be very much appreciated.

**25 CARD GAME:** The usual 25 Card game continues on Monday nights at 9p.m. sharp in Killasser Community Centre. All welcome.

**25 CARD DRIVE:** 25 Card Drive continues in Meelick Community Centre every Tuesday night 9p.m. for the winter season. All are welcome.

**25 CARD DRIVE:** Franks's Place, Killasser, under new management: 25 Card Drive continues this Sunday at 3p.m. "Playing for Turkeys": These card games for turkeys will then continue every Sunday at 3p.m. and every Friday night at 9.30p.m. in the weeks leading up to Christmas.

Also, there is a pool competition every Friday night starting at 9p.m. sharp, first 16 only and strictly over 18's.

Live Music every Sunday night. You get here, we get you home for €3 a head in a 3 mile radius. Come along for a great night out in a friendly atmosphere.

**SET DANCING CLASSES:** Set Dancing Classes take place in Meelick Community Centre every Thursday night at 8.30pm. All welcome especially beginners. Come along for a very enjoyable night of dance and fun. €7 per night. Teacher Michael Monaghan.

**BROADBAND** is now available by contacting Westnet on 1850 930 305. This could be of great benefit to everyone who uses the internet on a regular basis. It can certainly speed up the process

**COSGALLEN NEWS - COSGALLEN WEBSITE:** For information about upcoming events organised by Cosgallen CDP log on to [www.cosgallen.com](http://www.cosgallen.com) /

**Sean Nos Dancing Classes for Adults:** Sean Nós Dancing Classes for Adults continue every Wednesday night in the Pastoral Centre, Charlestown at 9pm. All are welcome.

**Launch of HOLD Brochure.** A launch and information afternoon, relating to people with disabilities will be held by the HOLD Group in the Gateway Hotel, Swinford on Tuesday November 24<sup>th</sup> 2009 from 3pm – 5pm. HOLD (Helping Ourselves Live with Disability) is a group of people with varying disabilities who meet weekly in Cosgallen CDP, Charlestown. The brochure will be launched by Mr. John Kelly HEO from the Department of Social & Family Affairs. Speakers will provide information on the following topics: Education, Employment, Mental Health and Sporting Opportunities. Also available on the day will be information from other Service Provider's. Admission is FREE and light refreshments will be served. All are welcome!

**Citizens Information Centre:** Mayo Citizens Information Service will hold an outreach on **Wednesday November 25<sup>th</sup> 2009** at The Cosgallen Office, The Enterprise Centre, Airport Road, Charlestown from 9.45am to 11.30am. The service is free and confidential and wide ranges of areas are covered including Consumer Rights, Employment Rights, Social Welfare, Taxation and Disability Information. For further information contact Cosgallen CDP Charlestown on 094-9255070.

**Tickets for Audience with the Pope:** If any one going to Rome wishes to attend an audience with the Pope, I can arrange for you to get tickets. In special cases, it is possible even to meet the Holy Father in person. Please give me plenty of notice, otherwise it will not work out. Fr. John.

**COUNSELLING AND PSYCHOTHERAPY:** In the current climate families may experience stress which can cause relationship difficulties. It is important to know that taking over a problem with a counsellor can help. The Family Counselling and Therapy Centre, Ballaghaderreen offers a professional and confidential service to individuals, couples and families. Issues include: relationships, difficulties, bereavement, separation, depression, loss, abuse etc. For appointments you can contact the centre on 094-9861000.

**MEITHEAL OF THE YEAR & MAYO PERSON OF THE YEAR:** The Mayo Association Dublin is inviting nominations from community groups, organisations, clubs and individuals for the prestigious awards – Meitheal of the Year and Mayo Person of the Year Award 2010. For further information, visit [www.mayoassociationdublin.com](http://www.mayoassociationdublin.com) or contact Carmel Heaney (086) 854 8566 or Francis O'Malley (087) 743 1979. Closing Date: 11<sup>th</sup> December 2009.

**KILLASSER GROUP WATER SCHEME:** Consumers of Killasser Group water scheme are advised that following recent unsatisfactory test results all water should be boiled before human consumption. The management committee regrets any inconvenience caused.

**KILLASSER COMMUNITY ALERT COMMITTEE:** A meeting of Killasser Community Alert committee will be held in Swinford Garda station on Tuesday 24th November at 8 30 pm. All are welcome.

**List of Parishioners who died since November 2008****November****John McLoughlin Dereen and Chicago****December****Frank Thompson Callow****Cherylann Convey Rubble and Kent****January****Mary Kate Conlon Boleboy****Bea McNulty Callow****John Gilvarry Killala-Callow****Paddy Ruane Doontas****Francis Durkin Rubble and London****Martin Hegarty Cornaageltia-Birmingham****February****Winnie McNulty Gurteen****March****Harry McNocholas Callow****Mary Sheridan - McManus Corley and Blackpool****Della Follman-Flanagan Cullenaughton and Chicago****April****Mary Clegg-Broderick Cartron-Boston****Francis Haran Knocks-London****Paddy Deacy Cloonainra and Derby****John McDonnell Cullenaughton and Florida****May****Henry Groarke Carroweena and Manchester****Paddy McLoughlin Dereen and Chicago****Annie Fahey Ballinacurra and Boston****June****Phil Curran – Dunne Cartron and Arizona****July****Gary Groarke Cloonfinish and Dublin****Bridie Groarke Swinford and Cloonfinish****Gertie Carroll O'Hara Coolegrane and Derbyshire****August****Andy Meehan Cartron and Galway****Gerard Oates Rathoath and Carramore Moy****John McNicholas Sweetwel and Cullenaughton****October****J.P. Rowley Carrabeg****Miceál Sheerin Bokeen and Salford****November****Kathleen Carr Coolcastle****May they Rest in Peace.**