

# KILLASSER/CALLOW PARISH NEWSLETTER

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**TWENTY SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**27 SEPTEMBER 2009.**

## 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:

The Holy Spirit is frequently referred to as the Sanctifier, the one who makes holy. What does this mean?

Holiness belongs to God and we acknowledge this at the *Sanctus*. Jesus sent the Holy Spirit from the Father to complete his work on earth. In other words, the mystery which was realised in Jesus' life must take place in ours too.

The Spirit is also to bring us to the fullness of grace. This is the Spirit as Sanctifier at work. It means to bring all sanctification to its perfection.

( St. Paul Sunday Missal 2009 )

Fr. Stephen O'Mahony - Kiltimagh 086-8226405.  
Fr. Paraic Costelloe - Foxford 094-925131

Fr Dermot Burns - Straide 094-9031029  
Fr. Gerard Davey - Foxford 094-9256401

### ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK

**MASSSES:** CALLOW Monday, Thursday 10 a.m. / Sunday 10 a.m.  
KILLASSER Wednesday, Friday 10 a.m. / Saturday 8 p.m. / Sunday 11.30 a.m.

### OFFERTORY PROCESSION NEXT WEEK:

Saturday 8 p.m. The Loftus Family (Dromada-Duke) Sunday 10.00 a.m. The O'Hara Family (Coolegrane)  
Sunday 11.30 a.m. The O'Grady Family (Carrowleambeg)

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT in Killasser Church on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> September 4.00 - 7.00 p.m.

THE OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR 19<sup>th</sup> / 20<sup>th</sup> September amounted to €1,160

The Saturday evening Mass at 8p.m. on the 3<sup>rd</sup> October will be a Family Mass, to celebrate the centenary of the birth of Fr. Patrick Peyton, the Rosary Priest.

On the 7<sup>th</sup> October, the Feast of the Holy Rosary, there will be a Rosary in Callow Church at 7.30p.m. This is also to commemorate the centenary of the birth of Fr. Patrick Peyton, the Rosary Priest.

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.

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.

BOTHAR FUNDRAISING TREK IN OCTOBER TO ASSISI: Join Bothar on a week long trek following the footsteps of Francis of Assisi this October. Bothar use livestock in development aid projects throughout the developing world. For further details contact Bothar on 071-20100 or by e-mail at [events@bothar.ie](mailto:events@bothar.ie)

**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.

**HARVEST FAIR, THANKS:** Helen Thompson and Bríd Peyton would like to sincerely thank everyone who helped with the Harvest Fair last Sunday. Thanks especially to all our ticket sellers and to those who helped in so many ways, both on Saturday evening, and on Sunday: by baking; donating home made and home grown produce; making tea; selling; preparing the hall and tidying it; to the people who helped at the bouncy castles, and to the children for all their hard work in decorating the hall with posters, and for their marvellous stand on the day. Thank you Fr. Durkan for all your encouragement and for helping with the raffle. Thanks to the wider community, for supporting the event, by being present in such numbers – we hope you all found a bargain and enjoyed the much appreciated refreshments, organised by Mrs Kathleen Tully. Between the raffle, Harvest Fair and other donations, we raised over €5000 for St. Joseph's National School. Sincere thanks to all the businesses in Swinford that sponsored prizes, and to Jerome Coleman, Texoil, Foxford, who donated the top prize. Congratulations to all who won prizes and thanks to everyone who bought a ticket. I know the teachers really appreciate the community spirit they witnessed on the day, and they have said play-time has been tremendously enhanced because of the groundwork that has been carried out. Thank you on their behalf also.

Fr. John would like to thank Helen Thompson and Bríd Peyton for all their work, and the big effort that they made.

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**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 Nos Dancing classes for Adults will resume on Wednesday October 7<sup>th</sup> 2009. The classes will be held in the Pastoral Centre, Charlestown at 9pm. **Please note the change of venue and time.** This is a great way to keep fit and have a fun time. For more information phone Cosgallen CDP on 094-9255070.

**SEAN NOS DANCING FOR CHILDREN :** Cosgallen CDP are taking names of children who are interested in participating in Sean Nos Dancing classes. For more information contact the office on 094 9255070.

**WIDOWS GROUP:** The next meeting of the Widow's Group will be held on Monday October 5<sup>th</sup> 2009 at 8pm in the Cosgallen office. For more information contact Cosgallen CDP on 094-9255070.

**COURSE FOR ONE PARENT FAMILIES:** A Course for people who are parenting alone will be held in Cosgallen CDP starting in October. This course will be held one morning per week for approximately 10 weeks. The course is free and has been funded by Mayo VEC. If you are interested in taking part please contact us on 094 -9255070.

**INTENSIVE TUITION ADULT BASIC EDUCATION COURSE:** An Intensive Tuition Adult Basic Education course for people who have not acquired a junior certificate standard of education and who wish to train to get back into the workplace will be held (subject to numbers) in Cosgallen CDP, Charlestown. The course is free and will cover the following subjects: Communications, Personal Development, Maths and Computers. The course will be held in Cosgallen CDP three hours a day twice a week for fourteen weeks. The course is funded by Mayo VEC. For more information phone the Cosgallen office on 094-9255070.

**Local Employment Outreach.** Are you currently unemployed? If so, The Local Employment Service will hold an outreach in Cosgallen CDP, Charlestown on **Wednesday October 7<sup>th</sup> 2009 from 10am to 12 noon.** This is a free and confidential information and support service to unemployed people seeking training and employment. To book an appointment, phone the Swinford Local Employment Office on 094-9252657. For more information contact Cosgallen CDP or phone us on 094-9255070.

**PILGRIMAGE TO FATIMA 2009** departs from Knock Airport on 8<sup>th</sup> October. This West of Ireland Pilgrimage under the patronage of Bishop Brendan Kelly will be for 7 Nights in the Hotel Avenida. It will cost €799. Spiritual Director is Fr. John Maloney. For more information contact Nancy Surlis on 071-9186123.

**MASS ON MIDWEST RADIO** will be broadcast from Killasser Church on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> November - Feast of All Saints.

**A CONCERT** will be held in Callow Church on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> September. Annette Griffin, resident Musician and Singer at Ashford Castle, who has performed all over the world will be in concert on that evening. There will also be some support act(s) which have yet to be finalised. **Tickets at €15 each are still available but make sure you get them soon and do not be disappointed.** It promises to be a very special night so do not let the opportunity to enjoy it on your doorstep pass you by. **For tickets, contact Michael Fox on 087-7546909.**

Michael Fox will be selling tickets after 10 am Mass in Callow, and for those not able to get their tickets beforehand some tickets will be available at the door.

**INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND TOURISM STUDIES COURSE FOR UNEMPLOYED ADULTS:** If you are interested in returning to Education, improving your employment prospects, why not enrol on the above course at the Further Education Centre, Swinford which is due to commence in September. The course is free. Eligible participants are paid a full allowance equivalent to a full Social Welfare payment plus meal and travel allowances. Childcare support is also available. For more information, contact Emer in Swinford at 094-9251928.

**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.

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**KILLASSER/CALLOW PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL NEWS:** Four people are required now from the Killasser area of the parish as new members of the council. You can volunteer yourself or nominate someone (please ask his/her permission first) and then give name(s) to Fr. John Durkan on 094-9251431 or Michael Fox on 094-9253603. Former members of the Council might like to become involved again.

**ANGER MANAGEMENT:** Everyone knows what anger is. But how do you express it without hurting others or hurting yourself? Uncontrolled anger can cost you your marriage, your job, your relationships, your health and the respect of your loved ones. The **Irish Association of Anger Management** is running a two day intensive programme '**Temper your Anger**', on **Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> November** at the Carlton Hotel, Galway (formerly Days Hotel). Places are limited so early booking is essential. For further information, contact Peter Devers, Regional Consultant at **087-7989253** or **log onto [www.difficultemotions.com](http://www.difficultemotions.com)**

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**PRAY FOR** Mary Rowley, Dromagh, Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> September 8 p.m.  
 Mark Hanley, Dunmaynor, Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> September 8p.m  
 Private Intention, Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> September 8p.m

Nora Timlin, Cullen, Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> September 10a.m. Callow  
 Hugh and Delia O'Neill, Anniv. Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> September 11.30 a.m.  
 Bernie Browne & Deceased family members Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> September 11.30 a.m.  
 Jim Mooney, Graffy, Anniv. Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> October, 10a.m  
 Willie & Eithne Thompson, Cullen, Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> October, 10a.m

Michael Bell, Toomore  
**MAY THEY REST IN PEACE.**

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