

# KILLASSER/CALLOW PARISH NEWSLETTER

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TRINITY SUNDAY

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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'*

### THE LOVE OF THREE.

Little boy at a Baptism asks the priest: 'what is God for?' A good question that niggles and remains after the uneasy laughter subsides. What are we at? What is God at? What is God actually for? Militant atheists will always in the end insist that the worshipful like you who are reading this or listening to this, are at best deluded and at worst passive vessels into which frothing fanatics may pour their deadly fuel any time. But faith and belief are wider and wilder than that.

Each person needs to ask for themselves; 'what is God for me today?' More than a name or title? Do I relate to God? Or am I the kind of person who passionately asks others to pray for this or that, but doesn't connect in prayer myself?

Trinity Sunday reminds us that we are only glimpsing part of a larger picture. The 'spirit of truth' (Gospel) will lead us to the complete truth. We know instinctively that we are made for community. We exist because our birth parents came together and loved us into existence. No infant survives without and feeding. No adult lives humanely without human friendship. In all our grafting and acquiring, we ultimately build not for oursekves So if the love of two human beings created us The love of the divine three-Father, Son and Spirit will bring us ultimately home. Celebrate that love today.

(Fr. Tom Cox - Intercom - May 2007)

### ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK

MASSES CALLOW - Monday 11 a.m. / Thursday 10 a.m. / Sunday 10 a.m.

KILLASSER - Wednesday, Friday 10 a.m. / Saturday 1.00 p.m. and 8 p.m. / Sunday 11.30 a.m.

#### MINISTERS OF THE WORD NEXT WEEK:

Saturday 8.00 p.m. Sr. Margaret

Sunday 10 a.m. Mary Keane.

Sunday 11.30 a.m. 'Do This In Memory'

#### MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST NEXT WEEK:

Saturday 8.00 p.m. Paraic O'Hara and Thomas Marren.

Sunday 10 a.m. Angela Conlon.

Sunday 11.30 a.m. Bridie Sheerin and Beatrice Goldrick.

#### PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL - KILLASSER:

Saturday 8.00 p.m. Pierce Rowley      Sunday 11.30 a.m. 'Do This In Memory'

#### CALLOW

Sunday 10 a.m. Peter Noone.

#### ALTAR SERVERS FOR KILLASSER CHURCH NEXT WEEK:

Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> June 8.00 p.m. Keith Kavanagh Niall Armstrong Shane Cunney Ciara Hussey.

Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> June 11.30 a.m. Paul Quinn Eoin Gallagher Brid Rogers Ronan Carr.

#### OFFERTORY PROCESSION NEXT WEEK:

Saturday 8.00 p.m. The Prendergast Family (Askilawn)

Sunday 10 a.m. The McGowan Family (Cullenaughton)

Sunday 11.30 a.m. 'Do This In Memory'

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT will NOT be in Killasser Church on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> June.

#### THE KILLASSER/CALLOW PARISH QUESTIONNAIRE

should now have been distributed to every home in the parish. If you still need one they are available from the Sacristy or Parochial House. Sincere thanks to everyone who has returned one, which is a large number. Please continue to fill them and return at your convenience. Sincere thanks to everyone who has taken the time to fill them and return them already. Your responses have been very informative so far and will help greatly with the future work of the Parish Pastoral Council Eventually, the information received will be analysed/collated and an overall picture/description of the responses will be published.

**TROCAIRE LENTEN COLLECTION:** The amount handed in already has reached €3,135.. Sincere thanks, once again, for your tremendous generosity. It will be forwarded to Trocaire during the coming week.

**THE OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR:** 26<sup>th</sup> / 27<sup>th</sup> May amounted to €1,125.

**THE VOCATIONS COLLECTION** taken up on Vocations weekend amounted to €810 Thanks for your generosity.

**SINCERE THANKS FOR THE PENTECOST COLLECTION** taken up at all Masses last weekend. Your support and generosity is very much appreciated.

**‘DO THIS IN MEMORY’:** The final celebration of the ‘Do This In Memory’ preparation programme for First Communion will take place on Sunday next 10th June. It is an opportunity for the Children and their Parents and Teachers to gather and give thanks for the year that has gone by during which First Confessions and First Communion was prepared for and celebrated. This is the Feast of Corpus Christi.

**DONATIONS TOWARDS RENOVATION AT CALLOW CHURCH:** Sincere thanks for the following donations towards the renovation at Callow Church and Killasser Parochial House - €5,000 / €1,000 / €1,000 / €250 / €100 / €50 / €100 / €100 / €50 / €50 / €50 / €200 / €1,400 / €150 / €400 / €1,000 / €250 / €100 / €50 / €300 / €200 / €200 / €100. / €100. / €300. / €200. / €100. / €300 / €250 / €60 / €100 / €250 / €100 / €2,000 / €500 / €500. These donations were received recently. **Other donations of any amount will always be welcome.**

**A KILLASSER/CALLOW PARISH FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING** was held in Killasser Community Centre on Monday night 30<sup>th</sup> April. It was suggested that since work at Callow Church had concluded for the present, that Killasser Church and grounds should be looked at again. It was suggested that an immediate priority would be to upgrade the tarmac around Killasser Church, which would include new tarmac, new kerbing and an extension of the tarmac area on the Estate side of the Church.

**AN OPEN PUBLIC MEETING** was held at Killasser Church on Monday evening 14<sup>th</sup> May. The purpose of the meeting was to look at the Church building inside and out and the church grounds with a view to drawing up a list of items that may need to be attended to. Having identified them, the next step is to put them in order of priority. **The following is a list that is not necessarily exhaustive or in order of priority: Tarmac and Kerbing around the Church / A low wall between the Church and Killasser Estate / Toilet upgrade / Swamp area in the Lawn on Community Centre side of Church / Painting of all Church Doors / Main Entrance Porch - Tile Floor, Put in Timber Ceiling, remove sliding doors and use original doors again / Re-design Porches at side doors of Church / Improve the Sanctuary Area of Church / New Furniture/Ceiling/Floor for Sacristy / Wall around perimeter of lower lawns near the road between Church grounds and Community Centre Car Park.**

**A KILLASSER/CALLOW PARISH FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING** will be held in Killasser Community Centre on Saturday evening next 9<sup>th</sup> June at 9.00 p.m.

**THE WEST OF IRELAND ALZHEIMER’S ASSOCIATION CHURCH GATE COLLECTION** amounted to €403. Sincere thanks to all who contributed in Callow and Killasser and to all who helped with the collection.

**INFORMATION SERVICE:** A service providing information and advice to members of the community will be available each Monday from 11.00 a.m. - 1.00 p.m. in Killasser Community Centre.

**KILLASSER COMMUNITY CARE GROUP CHURCH GATE COLLECTION** will be taken up at all Masses next weekend 9<sup>th</sup> / 10<sup>th</sup> June. Your support and generosity will be very much appreciated.

**C.S.K.A. KILLASSER COMMUNITY SPORTS CLUB** will hold the first of its June walks on this Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> Walkers are asked to meet at the Killasser Community Centre at 1.00 p.m. The walks are part of the Mayo in Motion project, sponsored by Mayo Sports Partnership. Walkers are invited to take on the Mayo in Motion Walking Challenge. This consists of walking for at least 125 Minutes each week for four consecutive weeks, a total of 500 Minutes for the month of June. The 125 Minutes can be spread over as many walks as you wish each week. On completion your walking record will be submitted by your sports leader to Mayo Sports Partnership. You will then receive an authenticated certificate and T-Shirt. Contact Martin Peyton on 087-9377644 or Michael Howley on 087-9144910.

**NOTICE TO KILLASSER GROUP WATER SCHEME CONSUMERS - WATER QUALITY ANALYSIS REPORT:** The HSE has recently taken samples of Killasser Group Water Scheme water for analysis. The laboratory report of Analysis in respect of those samples indicates that the Bacteriological Results are satisfactory with **no Coliforms, no E.coli and no perfringens** detected. Chemical analysis of Killasser Group Water Scheme water has consistently shown that the chemical properties of the water are excellent for drinking water. A copy of the bacteriological test report on the Church Notice Boards.

**KILLASSER GROUP WATER SCHEME - PRECAUTIONARY BOIL NOTICE:** Notwithstanding the above quality results, the management committee are required to advise users of untreated water i.e. Water which has no added disinfectant; that the water should be boiled prior to human consumption. This notice is to remain in effect until further notice.

**LADIES' MINI MARATHON:** Cancer Action Mhaigh Eo is looking for volunteers to take part in the ladies' mini marathon on the Bank Holiday Monday 4<sup>th</sup> June next. All proceeds will go towards the MRI Scanner campaign for Mayo General Hospital. For further information, please contact 087-2224442.

**A KILLASSER/CALLOW PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING** was held in Callow Church on Wednesday evening 16<sup>th</sup> May. Two new members are still needed so that four people of the original committee can step down after two years to comply with the constitution of the Pastoral Council. Preferably two men are needed to keep the gender balance as it should be. Every effort will be made to get these two new members before the next Meeting on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> June. After two more years, it should be a totally different committee than started out. This is the objective, so that it cannot become an elite group. The challenge is to get people who are willing to step out, give some of their time and talent to the community. Sitting on the fence is not really an option.

**THE KILLALA/ACHONRY DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 2007** takes place from 23<sup>rd</sup> - 28<sup>th</sup> August. The Pilgrimage will be jointly led by Bishop Fleming of Killala and Bishop Flynn of Achonry.

**THE LOUGH DERG PILGRIMAGE SEASON** commenced on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> May with the One-Day Pilgrimages. The Three-Day Pilgrimages begin on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June and run until Monday 13<sup>th</sup> August. Phone No. 071-9861518. The One-Day Retreat costs €27 and a reservation should be booked in advance. The Three-Day Pilgrimage costs €45 and it is not necessary to book.

**A ONE-DAY PILGRIMAGE FROM KILLASSER TO LOUGH DERG** will take place in September if there is sufficient interest. For those who may wish to make more long-term arrangements, can I suggest Monday 10<sup>th</sup> September as suitable date.

**PILGRIMAGE TO ROME AND ASSISI** will take place from Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> October to Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> November. There will be four nights in Rome and three nights in Assisi. The company is Celebration Travel. The Spiritual Director is Fr. Joe Caulfield, Carracastle. Price depends on number booking. Further information from Marian Maloney on 087-2112555 or 094-9288229

**WBCO I.T. TRAINING:** Summer ICT Training Courses starting on 9<sup>th</sup> June. Total beginners, Juniors, Seniors - all welcome. Range of Courses. Contact Christine 087-9723641.

**THE ARAS ATTRACTA FAMILY AND FRIENDS TOUR OF MAYO 90 MILE CYCLE** will take place on Saturday next 9<sup>th</sup> June. It will start at 9.00 a.m. from Aras Attracta. For those taking part, Breakfast will be served in the Canteen in Aras Attracta from 8.15 a.m. onwards. The cycle goes from Swinford to Foxford to Ballina to Crossmolina to Lahardane to Pontoon Cross to Castlebar to Balla to Claremorris to Knock to Kiltimagh and finish in Swinford at 7.00 p.m. Sponsorship Cards are available. Your support will be very much appreciated.

**CARRAMORE NATIONAL SCHOOL ENROLMENTS** are now being taken. Enrolment Forms are available at the School or by contacting the Principal on 071-9181435.

**A PARISH CLUSTER STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING** was held in the Fr. Peyton Centre, Attymass on Thursday evening 24<sup>th</sup> May. All members were present. The principal items discussed were - Preparation for Marriage and Baptism. The general feeling was that existing preparation could be greatly improved for the reception of both Sacraments. It was decided to set up a small group/task force to look at each of the Sacraments. Each parish is being asked to select/elect one person to sit on each of these groups/committees. That is our target for the next and final meeting of the Cluster for this session which is on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> June. Two volunteer are needed and the invitation is open to all. Do consider it, it is not up to someone else to step out, it is up to me.

**PHOTOGRAPHS:** The recent appeal for photographs by the Foxford Community Book Committee has been most successful with over 300 submitted to date. All have been scanned, placed on disc and returned. If you are from Callow area and have photographs suitable for publication, please contact Anne Deacy or any member of the committee.

**GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY:** Congratulations to Jimmy and Beatrice Goldrick, Carrowleamore, who celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary with a special Mass in their home on this Saturday and afterwards in the Park Hotel, Kiltimagh. We wish them many more years of good health and happiness.

**WEDDING:** Congratulations to Anita Dunleavy, Dublin and Jim Shortall, Dublin who were married in Callow Church on this Saturday afternoon 2<sup>nd</sup>. June. We wish them both every blessing and happiness in their future married life. Anita's father Kieran Dunleavy is a native of Kilmovee.

**MINISTERS OF EUCHARIST** have the opportunity to renew their commitment during each of the Masses next weekend.

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**PRAY FOR** People of the Parish, Saturday 8 p.m.  
 Deceased Members of the Dunleavy and Shortall Families, Sunday 10 a.m.  
 Nellie Holleran, Magheraboy and deceased members of the Holleran/Ormsby Families, Sunday 11.30.  
 Tommy Doherty, Carramore, who died recently in London, Saturday 1.00 p.m.  
 Larry McDonagh, Galway, husband of Eileen Doherty, Carramore who died in London recently,  
 Saturday 1.00 p.m.  
 Mary and Michael Convey, Darnagh, Saturday 8 p.m.  
 Nora Culkin, Corley, Months Mind, Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> June 10 a.m.  
 James and Josephine Boran, Lismorane, Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> June 10 a.m.  
 John Sheerin, Tiernanny, Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> June 11.30 a.m.  
 Nora McNulty, Lahardane, who died on Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> May. Funeral Mass on 23<sup>rd</sup> May.  
 May Lavin (Nee Noone), formerly of Knockbawn, Sister of Bea Fitzmorris, Creggane and the late Pat  
 Noone, Knockbawn, who died in London on Monday last 28<sup>th</sup> May.  
**MAY THEY REST IN PEACE.**

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