

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'*

A GIVING THAT COUNTS.

Visitors to some fast-food restaurants will routinely be asked if they want to 'supersize' their order where for a little more, they can get larger portions. Many a person fundraising wishes that such a method was possible for them. Still, charitable donation is on the rise. However, we sometimes need to look more, at what we have left for ourselves, after we give. Those who give out of their abundance still have abundance left. And that's a problem.

In a strange way, when you're poor, the inclination to be generous is stronger. A little money more in your pocket won't make a lot of difference when you don't have much. But when you possess a lot, you never learn the answer to that question 'how much is enough?' Much can sometimes want more. Are we dependent on our money to give us all we want and need from life, or are we dependent on God to make us rich?

The widow of the Gospel's mite (less than a penny), a jar of meal and a jug of oil of the widow in the first reading, aren't much in terms of the stock exchange. In terms of faith, they are absolutely everything. And who knows, in the end after it all, an angel of the Lord may stand before us as we bring the gift of our lived life to God and you too may be asked.

'Do you want to supersize that'

Fr. Tom Cox - Intercom - November 2006)

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK

MASSES CALLOW - Sunday 10 a.m.

KILLASSER - Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday 10 a.m. / Saturday 8 p.m.

MINISTERS OF THE WORD NEXT WEEK: NEXT WEEK:

Saturday 8 p.m. Mary Stenson.
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Sunday 10 a.m. Pat Gallagher.

Sunday 11.30 a.m. Theresa Hennigan.

MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

Saturday 8 p.m. Francis Hegarty and Mary

Sunday 10 a.m. Anne Deacy.

Sunday 11.30 a.m. Beatrice Goldrick.

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL - KILLASSER:

Saturday 8 p.m. Rachael McDonnell
Deirdre Gallagher.

Sunday 11.30 a.m. Aileen Gallagher

CALLOW

Sunday 10 a.m.

ALTAR SERVERS FOR KILLASSER CHURCH NEXT WEEK:

Saturday 18th November 8 p.m. Keith Kavanagh Liam Moran Rachael McDonnell
Ciara Hussey.

Sunday 19th November 11.30 a.m. Erin Rochford Eimear Burke Niall Armstrong Eoin Gallagher

OFFERTORY PROCESSION NEXT WEEK:

Saturday 8 p.m. The Sheerin Family (Tiernanny)

Sunday 10 a.m. The Hughes Family (Coolegrane)

Sunday 11.30 a.m. The Hegarty Family (Carrowleambeg)

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT in Killasser Church on Monday next from 4.00 - 7.00 p.m.

BAPTISM: We welcome Thomas Joseph Tuffy, Dunmaynor, into the Christian Community of Killasser, through the Sacrament of Baptism, celebrated in Killasser Church on this Saturday afternoon 11th Novmeber. We pray that he will grow up to be a committed follower of Christ through the example of his Parents, Godparents, Relatives and Neighbours.

PRAYER SERVICE FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED: At the recent Parish Pastoral Council Meeting it was decided to have a Prayer Service again this year during November for all our departed family members, relatives, neighbours and friends. A special candle will be lit for each person from the Parish who died since last November and if possible it would be nice if a family member could be present to receive it. This Service is on Friday 24th November at 8.00 p.m. in Killasser Church.

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 These donations were received recntly. Other donations of any amount will always be welcome.

AN OPEN MEETING to discuss the renovation work at Callow Church and how extra money might be raised to pay off the cost of this work as soon as possible, will take place in Callow Church on Monday evening next 13th November at 8.00 p.m. It is our collective responsibility to address this situation and to deal with it in the best way we can. Your willingness to be involved will be very much appreciated. You are invited and encouraged to come along on Monday evening.

TILING OF CALLOW CHURCH: The material for the tiling of Callow Church was delivered on Friday and work will begin on Monday morning. Hopefully it will be completed before the end of the week. Due to this work which may go on late in the evening, there will not be any Mass in the Church during the week.

A KILLASSER/CALLOW PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING will be held in Callow Church on Wednesday evening next 15th November at 8.30 p.m. All members are encouraged to attend.

A PARISH CLUSTER STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING will be held in the Fr. Peyton Centre, Attymass on Thursday Night next 16th November, commencing at 8.30 p.m. The representatives from the Parish on the Steering Committee are Margaret McGowan (Cullenaughton) and James Howley (Carramore). Other members of the Pastoral Council attend occasionally as well and are very welcome to do so.

A PARISH MISSION will be held in Foxford from 18th - 25th November. It will be conducted by the Redemptorists. You will be more than welcome to attend. Hopefully more detailed information for next week's Newsletter.

FEAST DAYS: Tuesday - St. Lawrence O'Toole. Wednesday - St. Albert the Great.
Friday - St. Elizabeth of Hungary. Saturday - Dedication of Basilicas of Sts. Peter and Paul.

'DO THIS IN MEMORY' the Parish preparation programme for the Children, their Parents and Families and indeed the whole community, will have its next celebration on Saturday 25th November during the Vigil Mass in Killasser Church at 8.00p.m. The theme for this month's celebration will be remembering our dead.

THE OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR 4th / 5th November amounted to €1,693.

FOXFORD CARD GAME continues on Tuesday next 14th November in the Brown Memorial Hall at 8.30 p.m. sharp.

THE RETIREMENT FUNCTION FOR MRS. CAHILL the former Principal of Killasser National School will be held in Killasser Community Centre on Friday next 17th November, commencing at 8 p.m. The Parents of present pupils in the school have been contacted and invited to give a contribution towards buying a gift for Mrs. Cahill. Contributions from Parents of Past Pupils are also very welcome and will be very gratefully accepted. They can be handed in at the School. There will be a joint presentation from the Parents and Board of Management, one from the Children and from the Parish Pastoral Council on behalf of the Parish. Everyone is more than welcome to attend.

CLUSTER NEWSLETTER: It is hoped to publish a Cluster Newsletter again this year before Christmas. A sub-committee with a representative from each of the five parishes is being formed to edit and put it together. Maureen Murphy, Carramore-Moy is the Killasser representative. If you have any news item or photograph that you think should or could be included, you might pass it on to Maureen.

THE KILLASSER PARISH WEBSITE is now in existence and is being developed as time goes by. The website address is www.killasser.com Every organisation in the Parish is invited to put material of interest on to the website. The Parish Newsletter is now appearing every week on it. Information for the website can be sent to Michael Fox, Lismorane or Louis McNulty, Cullenaughton. It would be desirable to have a person on the Killasser side of the parish as a point of contact to gather

information. If you are computer literate and willing to be involved, you are welcome to contact either Michael Fox or Louis McNulty. All the information received is uploaded to the website by Joselyn Kerviche. We are very grateful to everyone who is involved in this very useful service.

THE ANNUAL COLLECTION FOR SWINFORD CONFERENCE OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY will be taken up at the Church doors at all Masses in Swinford, Meelick, Midfield and Killasser this weekend 11th / 12th November. The Conference depends on the income from this collection to help those in need in the two parishes for the coming year. You have always been very generous and we thank you on behalf of all those we have been able to help. If there is anyone in need or who thinks we can help them, our phone No. is: 087-9227552. Remember, we are standing in the gap.

THE KILLASSER COMMUNITY CENTRE WEEKLY 25 CARD GAME continues in the Community Centre on Monday Night next 13th November at 9.00 p.m. Your support will be very much appreciated.

A SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING OF ALL MEMBERS OF KILLASSER GROUP WATER SCHEME will be held in Killasser Community Centre on Wednesday Night next 15th November at 9.00 p.m. This meeting has been called to discuss the future direction of the scheme with regard to the future quality and cost of our water. New EU regulations on the quality of drinking water mean that the group has some serious decisions to make. Those decisions will have far reaching consequences on the future of the scheme and will affect the Quality, Cost and Management of the scheme. All members are encouraged to attend.

A MEETING OF KILLASSER LADIES GROUP will be held in Killasser Community Centre on Tuesday Night next 14th November at 7.00 p.m.

SWINFORD AND DISTRICT GARDENING CLUB: A grand Christmas Floral Demonstration by Deirdre McCarthy of Newport School of Floristry will be held in Aras Attracta, Swinford on Tuesday 28th November at 7.30 p.m. All floral arrangements will be raffled on the night. Admission €10 and all proceeds will go to Cancer Action Maigh Eo's MRI campaign. Everybody welcome.

NEW LIGHTING AT KILLASSER ESTATE/KILLASSER CHURCH/KILLASSER COMMUNITY CENTRE: A new Public Lighting Scheme has been installed at Killasser which enhances the Estate, the Church and Community Centre (particularly at nighttime) The cable was laid during the early summer, the poles were erected in September and it was switched on shortly afterwards. This scheme was put forward by Killasser/Callow Development Association, carried out by Mayo County Council and the E.S.B. and funded by Leader Programme. Sincere thanks on behalf of the community to everyone who organised and carried out this project

MASS FOR BEREAVED PARENTS: There will be a special gathering and Mass for Parents who have experienced the death of a child, at any age or in any circumstances in St. John's Rest and Care Centre, Knock Shrine on next Sunday 19th November. It will begin at 3 p.m. and all bereaved parents are welcome. The Celebrant of the Mass will be Fr. Brendan Hoban, Parish Priest, Ballina.

LITURGICAL CONCERT: A Liturgical Concert in memory of the late Fr. Joe Taaffe, Past Director of the Irish Welfare and Information Centre, Birmingham and a native of Knock, Co. Mayo, takes place in the Church of St. John the Evangelist, Tubbercurry on Sunday 26th November at 7 p.m. What a line-up of talent: the performers on the evening are drawn from local and national stage including: Choir of the Church of St. John the Evangelist, Tubbercurry, Fr. James McDonagh, Ballymote accompanied by his sister Mary Frain, Bridie Giblin from Curry, Ruth Gannon from Charlestown, Kieran Lundy from Rhue, Tubbercurry, Seoda and Bel Canto Choirs from Ballyshannon together with Jamie Rock - winner of RTE / Lyric FM Search for vocal star. Special guest will be Michael English who will be performing from his latest CD recorded in Knock 'Vision of Knock'. Tickets at €20 each are available locally or by contacting Harold McManus on 087-2312061. All proceeds go to the IWIC Fund.

PRAY FOR Vera Cunney, Carrowleambeg, Parents Brigid and Patrick, Son Vincent, Grandson Martin, Saturday 8
 Johnny McGloin, Cullenaughton, Sunday 12th November 10 a.m.
 Jim Mulligan, Lismorane and Deceased Mulligan and Gallagher Family Members, Sunday 12th 10 a.m.
 Bill Mulligan, Lismorane, Sunday 12th November 10 a.m.
 People of the Parish, Sunday 11.30 a.m.
 Denis Moran, Carrowleamore, Saturday 8 p.m.
 Joe Carr, Craigaballagh, Saturday 8 p.m.
 Bridie and John Sheerin, Tiernanny and Deceased Members Sheerin/Doherty Families, Saturday 8 p.m.
 John and Maureen Conlon, Boleboy, Saturday 8 p.m.
 Josie and Ellen Hegarty and Son Martin, Carrowleambeg, Sunday 19th November 11.30 a.m.
MAY THEY REST IN PEACE.
