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'

WHAT ARE YOU LOOKING FOR?

One way a spiritual director tries to learn how God is acting in our lives is by asking us what we are looking for, what we are seeking. What we are looking for on a retreat or at a particular time in our lives may be an indication of what God is trying to speak to our hearts.

The more we can clearly know and express what we are seeking the better able a director is to help us find our way.

Unfortunately, it is not always clear to us what we are looking for. Most often, I think, we are looking for peace, for joy, and perhaps for authenticity. We can be looking for these qualities that lead us closer to God.

The founder of my Religious Congregation, Mary Caroline Dannat Starr, was not even aware she was looking for something when she was drawn as a young girl into a church in lower Manhattan by the sound of an organ playing. In responding to the call to go into the church, she began a lifelong affair with God.

'So what is it I am looking for in my life?

(Susan McCarthy, R.D.C. - A Year of Sundays - Gospel Reflections 2009)

Fr. Chris Ginnelly - Foxford 094-9256401. Fr. Joseph Gavigan - Foxford 094-9256858. Fr. Stephen O'Mahony - Kiltimagh 086-8226405. Fr Dermot Burns - Straide 094-9031029

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK

MASSES CALLOW - Monday 12 Noon / Thursday 10 a.m. / Sunday 10 a.m.

<u>KILLASSER</u> - Wednesday, Friday 10 a.m. / Sunday 11.30 a.m.

OFFERTORY PROCESSION NEXT WEEK:

Saturday 8 p.m. The Lynch Family (Rubble)

Sunday 10.00 a.m. The Sheerin Family (Bokeen)

Sunday 11.30 a.m. The Hennigan Family (Cloonainra)

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

THE OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR 10th / 11th January amounted to €1,366.

BAPTISM We welcome Mark Joseph Dunleavy, Carrowleambeg into the Christian Community of Killasser through the Sacrament of Baptism, celebrated in Killasser Church on this Saturday 17th January. We pray that he will grow up to be a committed follower of Christ through the example of his Parents, Godparents, Family, Neighbours and friends.

<u>A KILLASSER COMMUNITY CENTRE COMMITTEE MEETING</u> will be held in the Community Centre on Wednesday next 21st January at 8.30 p.m.

<u>KILLASSER COMMUNITY GYM</u> re-opens this week after the Christmas break. It will be open on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings from 7.00 - 10.00 p.m. and also by appointment. Further information from 087-9377644.

FOXORD 25 CARD GAME resumes on Tuesday night next 20th January at 8.30 p.m. and continues each Tuesday.

<u>CIRCUIT CLASSES AND FITNESS CLASSES</u> will be held every Monday at 8.30 p.m. and Wednesday at 8.00 p.m. in Killasser Community Centre. Everyone is welcome. Further information from Tommy on 087-2235337.

A CLUSTER STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING was held in the Fr. Peyton Centre, Attymass on Thursday night last 15th January. Some of the items discussed were: Ecumenical Service to mark Church Unity Octave / Cluster Newsletter / Fr. Peyton Centenary Celebrations including the Mass on R.T.E. on 4th January / Celebration of Baptism and preparation for the Sacrament. The Parish representatives on this committee are Maureen Murphy and Joe McNulty.

THE CLUSTER NEWSLETTER will be published again this year before Easter. If you have any article, photograph or topic you think should be included, you are asked to contact Maureen Murphy who is a member of the Editorial Committee. The Newsletter is always a nice record of the significant event within the cluster over the previous year.

<u>A KILLASSER/CALLOW PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL</u> will be held on Wednesday next 21st January at 8.00 p.m. in Callow Church. All members are invited and encouraged to attend.

THE ANNUAL ECUMENICAL SERVICE for our Cluster will be held in the Church of Ireland, Foxford on Thursday next 22nd January, commencing at 8.00 p.m. The speaker is Fr. Brendan Hoban and everyone is invited.

ANGER ISSUES? The Irish Association for Anger Management is running a residential training programme, 'Temper Your Anger' on Saturday 28th February and Sunday 1st March at Knock House Hotel, Knock, Co. Mayo. Places are limited, therefore booking is essential. For further information, contact Peter Devers, Regional Consultant on 094-9037677 or on 087-7989253 or log onto **www.difficultemotions.com**

<u>COSGALLEN NEWS - RECRUITMENT OF NEW VOLUNTARY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEMBERS:</u> Cosgallen is recruiting for new voluntary Management Committee Members. If you are interested please contact the Cosgallen Office on 094-9255070 and an open information night will be arranged.

COSGALLEN NEWS - ADULT EDUCATION CLASSES: Cosgallen Adult Education Spring Classes will start shortly. If you are interested in taking part in a Computer Course or if there is any other course you would like to attend, please contact the Office on 094-9255070. The Adult Education Classes run for sixteen hours, two hours per night, one night a week for eight weeks. The Course fee is €70. The Course if part funded by the VEC.

<u>COSGALLEN NEWS - HOMEWORK CLUB FOR PARENTS:</u> Cosgallen in association with the VEC are organising a Homework Club for parents. The Homework Club will look at ways of addressing issues that parents may have in relation to their childrens' study. The course will also help parents with any concerns they have in relation to certain subjects such as maths. Ideally the participants should be parents of students who are in third to sixth class. If you are interested in attending, contact Cosgallen on 094-9255070.

<u>KILLASSER BOXING CLUB</u> is hosting a Boxing Tournament in Killasser Community Centre on Saturday night 31st January, commencing at 8.00 p.m. Your support for this event will be very much appreciated. Sincere Killasser Boxing Club recommenced its activities it has attracted a large number of young boxers. Well done to everyone involved with the club for providing such good training for so many young people.

<u>DIPLOMA IN APPLIED THEOLOGY - PASTORAL STUDIES</u> is a Two Year Part-time Course that has begun in the Newmann Institute, Ballina on Friday 9th January. The Course runs for 24 Fridays and Five Saturdays each year. At the moment there are 24 people taking the course including Margaret McGowan, Cullenaughton, Maureen Murphy, Carramore-Moy and Fr. O'Mahony.

PRAY FOR

 $Pake\ Howley,\ Carrowleambeg,\ Grandaughter\ Ciara\ and\ Deceased\ Family,\ Saturday\ \ 8\ p.m.$

Mary and Martin Edward Howley, Dunmaynor, Saturday 8 p.m.

People of the Parish, Sunday 11.30 a.m.

Brigid (Bea) McNulty, Callow, Monday 12 Noon.

Beatrice Lynch, Rubble, Saturday 8 p.m.

Owen Rowley, Aylesbury, England and Dromada-Gore, Saturday 8 p.m.

Mary Sheerin, Bokeen, Sunday 25th January 10 a.m.

Jack Hennigan, Cloonainra, Sunday 25th January 11.30 a.m.

Martin Hegarty, formerly of Cornageltia, Cousin of Maggie Brennan, Dromada-Duke, who died in Birmingham on Saturday 10th January.

Brigid (Bea) McNulty, Callow who died in St. Attracta's Nursing Home, Charlestown on Friday last 16th January. Her remains repose at Clarke's Funeral Home, Foxford from 5.00 - 7.00 p.m. on this Sunday to arrive in Callow Church at 7.30 p.m. Her Funeral Mass will be celebrated on Monday at 12 Noon. Burial after Mass in Craggagh Cemetery, Foxford.

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE.