

KILLASSER/CALLOW PARISH NEWSLETTER

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THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

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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 FURTHER THIRST

There is a thirst in every human heart.
Each of us is like that lonely Samaritan woman.
We are thirsting for something,
something that will satisfy all our longings.
But often we search in the wrong places.
We draw water from many wells:
the water of praise to quench our thirst for self-esteem;
the water of success to quench our thirst for importance;
the water of pleasure to quench our thirst for joy.....

But we still get thirsty.
Only God can give us what we are looking for.
He alone can cause a spring to well up inside us.
The water from this spring will sustain us
in our journey to the Promised Land of eternal life.

Flor McCarthy



Fr. Chris Ginnelly - Foxford 094-9256401.
Fr. Stephen O'Mahony - Kiltimagh 086-8226405.

Fr. Michael Maloney - Charlestown 085-1510383.

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK

MASSES CALLOW - Sunday 10 a.m.

KILLASSER - Saturday 8 p.m. / Sunday 11.30 a.m.

MINISTERS OF THE WORD NEXT WEEK:

Saturday 8.00 p.m. Claire Stenson.

Sunday 10 a.m. Claire Conroy.

Sunday 11.30 a.m. Ray Chuck.

MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST NEXT WEEK:

Saturday 8.00 p.m. Sr. Margaret and Mary Marren.

Sunday 10 a.m. Mary McNulty.

Sunday 11.30 a.m. Francis Brennan.

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL - KILLASSER:

Saturday 8.00 p.m. Rachael McDonnell

Sunday 11.30 a.m. Pierce Rowley

CALLOW

Sunday 10 a.m. Deirdre Gallagher.

ALTAR SERVERS FOR KILLASSER CHURCH NEXT WEEK:

Saturday 1st March 8.00 p.m. . Siobhan O'Hara Siobhan Tully Hayden Harrold Paul Quinn

Sunday 2nd March 11.30 a.m. .Cormac Warde Caoimhe Warde Jonathan Burke Brid Rogers

OFFERTORY PROCESSION NEXT WEEK:

Saturday 8. p.m. The Holleran Family (Dromada-Duke)

Sunday 10 a.m. The Conroy Family (Lismorane)

Sunday 11.30 a.m The Judge Family (Magheraboy)

ANNUAL 25 CARD DRIVE IN AID OF KILLASSER COMMUNITY CARE will take place in Killasser Community Centre on **this Sunday February 24th at 3p.m.** A prize fund of €600 plus spot prizes are on offer. Tickets are available from members of Killasser Community Care at €8 each. Your support will be greatly appreciated.

THE WEEKLY KILLASSER COMMUNITY CENTRE 25 CARD GAME continues each Monday Night at 9.00 p.m. for the next few months. Your support will be very much appreciated for what is always a most enjoyable game.

CHOIR PRACTICES IN KILLASSER CHURCH in preparation for St. Patrick's Day, Holy Week and Easter continue on each Monday evening during Lent at 7.30 p.m. This is an opportunity for new members to join the choir and become involved in the Ministry of Music. You will be most welcome.

CHOIR PRACTICES IN CALLOW CHURCH also take place every Monday evening at 7.30 p.m. New members are always very welcome to join.

A KILLASSER/CALLOW PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING will take place in Killasser Church on next Wednesday 27th February at 8.30 p.m.

CSKA KILLASSER started its **Ladies Keep-Fit Classes** last Wednesday at 7 p.m. in the Community Centre. Come and try out the new gym. There is a complete range of equipment available for use, with expert advice and supervision. With Spring and Summer just around the corner, now is the ideal time for getting in shape for our splendid new tennis court. Contact Martin Peyton or Michael Howley.

THE FOXFORD 25 CARD GAME continues in the Browne Memorial Hall each Tuesday Night, commencing at 8.30 p.m. Lots of Prizes and your support will be very much appreciated.

25 CARD DRIVE IN AID OF CLOONLYON NATIONAL SCHOOL will take place in Knock Airport Lounge on next Wednesday night at 9.00 p.m. Parking is free.

THE NATIONAL PIONEER BALL will take place in the Belmont Hotel, Knock on **Saturday, 29th March**. It begins with Mass at 7 p.m. in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel, Knock. The guest speaker is John O'Mahony, Mayo Football Manager. Music is by Kay and the Country Stars. Tickets cost €30 and are available from Thomas Marren on 087-2344338.

MAYO CANCER SUPPORT ASSOCIATION wish to thank all those who contributed to the recent Church Gate Collection. It was a huge success, raising €401.31 in Killasser and €284.83 in Callow.

SOUVENIR DVD OF THE EPISCOPAL ORDINATION OF BRENDAN KELLY is now available. It may be ordered through the parish or directly from the Presbytery, Ballaghaderreen. Please send a S.A.E. (DVD size) to "Acadh Chonaire", The Presbytery, Ballaghaderreen, Co. Roscommon and include cheque/postal order for €20 payable to "Acadh Chonaire". See www.achonrydiocese.org for further details.

'IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF ST. PAUL' 11-day Pilgrimage & Cruise to Greece, Rhodes, Patmos, Ephessos. Sun. 29 June to Wed. 9 July. Celebration Travel with Aer Lingus ex Dublin costing €1,625 p.p.s, including. half-board & all taxes. Contact Marian Maloney 087-2112555 for brochure.

2008 SPORTS CAPITAL PROGRAMME The Department of Arts, Sport and Tourism is now inviting applications for funding under the 2008 Sports Capital Programme. Its objectives are to assist voluntary and community organizations, national governing bodies of sport, VECs and local authorities to develop high quality, safe well designed and sustainable facilities in appropriate locations and to provide appropriate equipment to help maximise participation in sport and physical recreation. They also prioritise the needs of disadvantaged areas in the provision of sports facilities. Closing date for completed application form is Friday February 29th 2008. For more information contact Cosgallen CDP on 094-9255070.

THE WESTERN REGION DRUGS TASK FORCE invites applications for once-off funding from Voluntary and Community groups who are working to tackle drug misuse in Counties Galway, Mayo and Roscommon. Application forms can be obtained by phoning 091 865865. Further information is available from Cosgallen CDP, Charlestown on 094-9255070. Closing date for receipt of application is Friday February 29th 2008.

HOME CARERS: Cosgallen CDP are interested in hearing from people who live in the Swinford or Charlestown area who are providing care on a voluntary basis to a person who is in need of care (of any age) due to illness or disability. Cosgallen CDP are at present investigating the necessity of providing supports to assist home carers under the Dormant Accounts Fund 2007/2008 in the area of training programmes.

'LIFE IN THE SPIRIT' SEMINARS continue in Swinford Parish Church on seven consecutive Tuesday Nights, commencing each night at 8.00 p.m. It began on Tuesday 29th January. A different speaker will speak each night. Everyone is

welcome. The Speakers are the following: Marie Byrne / Fergus McGloin / Fr. Eamonn O'Connor / Miriam McGee / Fr. John O'Gorman / Mike Shortt / Frank McGuinness.

'KNOW GOD BETTER' is the title of a series of meetings taking place in the Fr. Peyton Centre, Attymass during Lent. They began on Thursday 7th February at 8.00 p.m. and continue each Thursday Night during February, four meetings in all. All those attending will view a Video for a half and hour and then discuss the subject matter over a cup of tea. We will learn about: **Knowing God Better / Knowing God's Forgiveness / Knowing God's Help / Knowing God's Word / Knowing God's Spirit / Knowing God's Hope.** These evening are highly recommended. They will provide nourishment for our spiritual lives and should prove to be very enjoyable social occasions as well. All from the cluster of parishes and beyond are welcome. It is an ideal opportunity to do a little extra for Lent. Do consider coming along to what will be a most welcoming atmosphere.

PHOENIX PLAYERS Tubbercurry rise from the ashes once more and make a welcome return to Kiltimagh! Kiltimagh Town Hall Theatre is delighted to present the renowned Phoenix Players, Tubbercurry and their production of a new play 'United' by John McDwyer on **Friday 29th February at 8pm.** Tickets will be available at the door on the night. Admission is €12/€10 (concession). For more information please contact Ann Marie McGing on 094-9381494.

PRAY FOR

Nora Convey, Fross, Saturday 23rd, 5 p.m.

Beatrice Lynch, Rubble, Months Mind, Saturday 23rd, 8 p.m.

John & Margaret Marren, Fross, their son John Marren, Mary Marren & Niall Marren, Sat 23rd, 8p.m.

David McLoughlin, Callow, Sunday 24th, 10 a.m.

Josie Boran & James Boran, Lismorane, Sunday 24th, 10 a.m.

People of the Parish, Sunday 24th, 11.30 a.m.

P.J. Gallagher & his daughter, Gertie Kelly, Tulleague, Saturday 1st March, 8 p.m.

Pat Flanagan, Manchester who died during the week, brother of the late Michael Flanagan, Cullonaughton.

Maura Greally who taught for many years in Killasser NS and whose funeral took place in Swinford last week-end.

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE.

**Most people do not pray;
they only beg.**

- George Bernard Shaw

