

# KILLASSER/CALLOW PARISH NEWSLETTER

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FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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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'*

Fr. Chris Ginnelly - Foxford 094-9256401.

Fr. Michael Maloney - Charlestown 085-1510383.

Fr. Stephen O'Mahony - Kiltimagh 086-8226405.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK

MASSES CALLOW - Ash Wednesday 7 p.m. / Sunday 10 a.m.

KILLASSER - Ash Wednesday, Saturday 8 p.m. / Sunday 11.30 a.m.

#### MINISTERS OF THE WORD NEXT WEEK:

Saturday 8.00 p.m. Sean Thompson

Sunday 10 a.m. Marty Noone

Sunday 11.30 a.m. Patrick McNulty.

#### MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST NEXT WEEK:

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

Sunday 10 a.m. Mary Mulligan.

Sunday 11.30 a.m. Beatrice Goldrick.

#### PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL - KILLASSER:

Saturday 8.00 p.m. Pierce Rowley Sunday 11.30 a.m. Ronan Carr.

#### CALLOW

Sunday 10 a.m. Patrick McNulty.

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

Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> February 8.00 p.m. Lorraine Kavanagh Paul Quinn Niall Armstrong Ciara Hussey.

Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> February 11.30 a.m. Kevin Rowley Erin Rochford Brenda Carr Eoin Gallagher.

#### OFFERTORY PROCESSION NEXT WEEK:

Saturday 8. p.m. The Warde Family (Doontas)

Sunday 10 a.m. The Henry Family (Corley)

Sunday 11.30 a.m. The Carr Family (Craigaballaghe)

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT in Killasser Church on Monday next 14th January 4 - 7.00 p.m.

REBUILDING OF WALL AT KILLASSER CHURCH: The wall around the perimeter of Killasser Church Ground on lower side of the grounds near the Community Centre is being rebuilt at the moment. It had been in very bad condition before it was demolished recently. It is being rebuilt under the Rural Social Scheme and hopefully will be faced with stone like the wall opposite the Killasser Housing Estate. Some grant aid has been sanctioned by IRD Kiltimagh and the local County Councillors. We thank them for their support. Does the rest of the wall at the front need to be demolished and rebuilt to blend in better with what is already being done? It may also give a better view.

THE KILLASSER/CALLOW PARISH RENOVATION FUND COLLECTION FOR DECEMBER amounted to €1,955. Sincere thanks to everyone for your support and generosity for what was an excellent collection.

DONATIONS TOWARDS KILLASSER/CALLOW PARISH RENOVATION FUND: 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 / €50 / €50 / €50 / €200 / €1,400 / €150 / €400 / €1,000 / €250 / €200 / €50 / €300 / €200 / €200. / €100. / €100. / €300. / €200. / €100. / €250 / €300 / €250 / €60 / €100 / €250 / €100 / €2,000 / €500 / €500 / \$1,000 / €3,000 / \$500 / €2,000 / €100 / €1,000 / €50 / €1,000 / €1,000 These donations received recently. Other donations of any amount will always be welcome.

PARISH QUESTIONNAIRE - PEOPLE AVAILABLE TO BECOME INVOLVED IN MINISTRY: This was a very encouraging aspect of the questionnaire, to know that quite a number of people indicated their willingness to become involved in the various ministries in the Church. As the questionnaires were not signed, the Pastoral Council would appreciate very much if those people who wish to become involved would contact any member of the Pastoral Council. New people are always needed and are most welcome.

**CHOIR PRACTICES IN KILLASSER CHURCH** in preparation for St. Patrick's Day, Holy Week and Easter will take place each Monday evening during Lent at 7.30 p.m. These practices will begin on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> February 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** was held in Callow Church on Wednesday Night 23<sup>rd</sup> January There was a very good attendance and a very good meeting took place. The Questionnaire was discussed at some length. The issue of childrens' liturgies and addressing the needs of young people - those who have left school, the 18 - 25 age group was discussed at some length. The issues of young people need to be addressed in consultation with those who are in the age group. Efforts will be made to do this. An offer to help organise childrens' liturgies every so often has also been received. A small number of people have now become involved in Baptism preparation for Parents and Godparents and this is a very positive development. The next meeting of the Parish Pastoral Council will take place in Killasser Church on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> February at 8.30 p.m.

**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.

**THE WEEKLY KILLASSER COMMUNITY CENTRE 25 CARD GAME** re-commenced on Monday night last 21<sup>st</sup> January at 9.00 p.m. It will continue each Monday Night for the next few months. Your support will be very much appreciated for what is always a most enjoyable game.

**MASS TO BE BROADCAST ON MID-WEST RADIO:** The 10.00 a.m Sunday Mass from the parish will be broadcast live on Mid-West Radio on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> May. It seems that it is the turn of Callow this time as it has been broadcast from Killasser on the last two occasions. Callow was due to broadcast live in the Summer of 2006 but the Church was under renovation at the time, which meant we used Killasser instead

**SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION DATES 2008:** Brendan Kelly, Leader-Elect of Achonry, will soon arrange for this year's celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation. It was decided by Bishop Flynn, some months ago, that due to the imminent appointment of a new Leader, no dates would be arranged prior to Easter 2008. The Parishes of the diocese in Co. Sligo along with a small number of other parishes, including Killasser, will celebrate Confirmation this year. Most ceremonies will take place during April and May.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION SUNDAY 2008** will be Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> April. Hopefully, that will be a suitable date for Children, Families and Teachers.

**FIRST CONFESSIONS** will be celebrated on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> March at 7.00 p.m. in Killasser Church.

**COSGALLEN NEWS - ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING:** The Annual General Meeting of Cosgallen Community Development Project will be held on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> February at 8.00 p.m. in the Cosgallen Office, Charlestown. All are welcome.

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**'LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINARS'** will be held in Swinford Parish Church on seven consecutive Tuesday Nights, commencing each night at 8.00 p.m. It begins on Tuesday next 29<sup>th</sup> 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 that will take place in the Fr. Peyton Centre, Attymass during Lent. They will begin on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> 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 which begins on Ash Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> February. Do consider coming along to what will be a most welcoming atmosphere

**THE SPONSOR A LIGHT ON THE CHRISTMAS TREES AT CALLOW AND KILLASSER CHURCHES** raised a total of €95. Sincere thanks to everyone who contributed. A Mass will be celebrated in Callow and Killasser Churches in the near future for all whom you wish to have remembered, living and dead.

**THE TROCAIRE LENTED COLLECTION ENVELOPES AND BOXES** are available at all the church doors this weekend. Each family is encouraged to take one and to return your offering at Mass on Holy Thursday.

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**THE ACHONRY REGIONAL PIONEER TOTAL ABSTINENCE ASSOCIATION ANNUAL DINNER DANCE** will take place in the Coach House Hotel, Ballymote on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> February at 8.00 p.m. sharp. Music by Kay and The Country Stars. Admission is €30. Tickets are available from Thomas Marren, Marty Noone and Margaret McGowan. Your support will be very much appreciated.

**THE ANNUAL CHURCH-GATE COLLECTION FOR BRAINWAVE** the Irish Epilepsy Association taken up on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> January amounted to €14.44. Sincere thanks to all who contributed.

**WEBCO IT TRAINING** - Spring Courses resuming 16<sup>th</sup> February 2008 - Special Total Beginners' Course. For more information contact 087-9723641.

**SWINFORD VARIETY GROUP** presents "Daughter from Over the Water", a three act comedy by M.J. Molloy in Scoil Muire & Padraig School Hall, Swinford on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup>, Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> and Friday 15<sup>th</sup> February. Doors open at 8pm. Show starts at 8.30 pm sharp. All proceeds are in aid of Swinford Variety Group. All support very much appreciated and a good night's entertainment for all the family is assured.

**MAYO CANCER SUPPPORT ASSOCIATION** will hold a Church Gate Collection in this parish next week-end. Your support will be greatly appreciated. The Association provides emotional support and practical help to people living with cancer, their families and friends. All services provided are free of charge.

**PRAY FOR**

- Maureen Gallagher, Midfield and Craigaballagh, Saturday 8 p.m.**
- Annie McNicholas, Swinford, Saturday 8 p.m.**
- Tom and Mary Conlon, Cullen, Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> February 10 a.m.**
- Bernie Durkin, Doontas, Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> February 11.30 a.m.**
- Sr. Agnes Warde, Doontas and Balydoyle, Saturday 8 p.m.**
- Johnny Kerrane, Carrownedan and Mary Kate Dunne, Cloonfinnish, Saturday 8 p.m.**
- Michael Hegarty, Creggane, Saturday 8 p.m.**
- Annie and Martin Howley, Milltown and Deceased Family, Saturday 8 p.m.**
- Mary Rowley, Carrabeg, Saturday 8 p.m.**
- Martin Henry, Corley, Months Mind, Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> 10 a.m.**
- John McNulty and Joe Joyce, Derreen, Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> 10 a.m.**
- Hugh and Nora Carr and Deceased Family, Craigaballagh, Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> 11.30 a.m.**
- Tom Rowley, Swinford, Brother of Chris Hyland, Carramore-Moy, who died on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> January.**

**MAY THEY REST IN PEACE.**