

KILLASSER/CALLOW PARISH NEWSLETTER

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SECOND SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS

4 JANUARY 2009.

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 WORD WAS MADE FLESH AND LIVED AMONG US' SMILE FOR 2009

On holiday in Europe, Bert noticed a marble column in a church in Rome with a golden telephone number on it. As a young priest passed by, Bert asked what the telephone was for. The priest told him it was a direct line to Heaven, and if he'd like to call, it would be a thousand Euro. Bert was amazed but decline the offer.

Throughout Europe Bert kept seeing the same golden telephone number on a marble column. At each, he asked about it and the answer was always the same; a direct line to Heaven and he could call for a thousand Euro.

Bert finished his tour in Ireland. He decided to attend Mass at a local village church. When he walked in the door he noticed the golden telephone, but underneath it there was a sign stating; 'Direct Line to Heaven - 25 Cent'

'Father', he said I have been all over Europe and in all the cathedrals I visited, I've seen telephones exactly like this one but the price is always a thousand Euro. Why is it that this one is only 25 cent?

The priest smiled and said, 'Son, you're in Ireland now, it's a local call'.

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

Fr. Joseph Gavigan - Foxford 094-9256858.
Fr Dermot Burns - Straide 094-9031029

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK

MASSES CALLOW - Monday 1.00 p.m. / Tuesday 10 a.m. / Friday 1.00 p.m. / Sunday 10 a.m.
KILLASSER - Sunday 6.00 p.m. / Monday 8.00 p.m. / Sunday 11.30 a.m.

OFFERTORY PROCESSION NEXT WEEK:

Monday 8 p.m. The Convey Family (Darnagh)
Saturday 8 p.m. The Scully Family (Dromada-Duke)

Tuesday 10.00 a.m. The McNulty Family (Cullenaughton)
Sunday 10.00 a.m. The Nealon Family (Cloonygowan)
Sunday 11.30 a.m. The Hurst Family (Carramore-Moy)

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT will resume on Monday 12th January.

THE OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR

24th / 25th December amounted to €2,373
27th / 28th December amounted to €1,110.

THE ANNUAL CHRISTMAS MASS AND PARTY for all in the active retirement age-group, like myself, are more than welcome to attend - that is anyone 55 years of age or older will take place on this Sunday 4th January. It will commence with Mass at 6.00 p.m. in Killasser Church, followed by a Meal afterwards in Frank's Place. Music will follow the meal. **There will NOT be Mass at 11.30 a.m. in Killasser Church on that morning due to the Television Mass from Attymass at 11.15 a.m.**

SPONSOR A LIGHT FOR CHRISTMAS:

A Christmas Tree has been erected again this year outside both Churches in the Parish. You are invited to sponsor a light for €10 per light to remember a loved one who has died or someone away from home at Christmastime. Envelopes for this purpose are still available at the church doors very soon. Mass will be celebrated for the living and the dead at a later stage.

COSGALLEN NEWS:

Cosgallen Office Christmas Holidays The Cosgallen Office closed on Friday 19th December and re-opens on Monday 5th January. The Management and Staff would like to wish everyone a very happy New Year.

BAPTISM: We welcome Laragh Kathy Ivin, Waterford into the Christian community on Monday last 29th December through the Sacrament of Baptism celebrated in Killasser Church. We pray that this child will grow up to be a committed follower of Christ through the example of her Parents, Godparents, Family Members, Neighbours and friends. Laragh is grand-niece of Noel and Mary Filan, Dunmaynor.

WEDDING: We congratulate Daniel O'Callaghan, Cork and Geraldine Durkin, Charlestown who were married in Callow Church on this Saturday 3rd January. We wish them both every blessing and happiness in their married life together.

FEAST DAY: Tuesday - The Epiphany of the Lord.

MASS ON THIS SUNDAY 4th JANUARY will be offered in Callow Church for all those remembered, living and dead, by sponsoring a light on the tree outside Callow Church. A Mass will be offered in Killasser a little later. If you still wish to sponsor a light, you can do so by enclosing €10 in a special envelope that is available at each church door.

KILLASSER COMMUNITY GYM 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.

CIRCUIT TRAINING: Fitness for you recommences its circuit training sessions in Killasser Community Centre on Monday at 8.00 p.m. and Wednesday at 8.30 p.m. Further information from Tommy at 087-2235337.

FAS EVENING COURSES: FAS Evening Courses Commence on Thursday 22nd January at the FAS Training Centre, Ballina. Enrolment Evening is Thursday 15th January at 7.00 p.m. For further information contact FAS on 096-24017. Topics dealt with include: Arc Welding, Roofing (Cutting and Calculating), Occupational First Aid, Word Processing, Advanced and Safety Health and Welfare at Work.

NATIONAL SCHOOLS RE-OPEN: Carramore and Killasser National Schools re-open on Wednesday 7th January. We welcome pupils and teachers back to school and hope that everyone had a most enjoyable holiday.

CHRISTMAS COLLECTION: Sincere thanks to all who have contributed to the Christmas Collection. Your support is very much appreciated.

PRAY FOR Pat and Anne Carr, Clooncleeveragh, Daughter Anne, Sons Henry, Patrick and Hugh, Saturday 8 p.m.
All the Departed remembered through sponsoring a light on Christmas tree, Sunday 10 a.m.
Johnny Tully, Carroweena, Monday 8 p.m.
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Paid and Kathleen McGowan, Carramore-Moy, Sunday 11th January 11.30 a.m.
Frank Thompson, Carn, Callow who died on Saturday morning 27th December.
Johnny Gilvarry, Killala, Husband of Mary McGann, Lismorane, who died on Friday last 2nd January.
His Funeral Mass will be celebrated on Monday 5th January.
MAY THEY REST IN PEACE.

**I WISH YOU ALL A VERY HAPPY, HOLY,
PEACEFUL AND SAFE NEW YEAR 2009**



**MASS ON R.T.E. ON THIS SUNDAY 4 JANUARY AT 11.15
A.M. TO MARK THE BEGINNING OF A YEAR OF
CELEBRATION TO MARK THE ANNIVERSARY OF THE
BIRTH OF FR. PATRICK PEYTON**
