

**KILLASSER/CALLOW
PARISH NEWSLETTER**

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TWENTY SEVENTH 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'

LIVING THE DREAM.

Can relationships be weighed in money? We seem to be making a good stab at it with landmark cases in England earlier this year. It determined that divorced women may now claim not just maintenance but also compensation for contributing to the accumulation of their husbands' wealth.

In the time of Jesus, the Jewish vision of marriage was very high, but in practice, divorce was easy to obtain. One side held that even the spoiling food, or talking to a strange man, or criticising her in-laws, was grounds for divorce by the man, with limited options for a woman to take an action. Small wonder, Jesus took a line on divorce that brings us back to the original plan, where two become one in body, heart and mind.

Divorce says that where there was once a marriage, that marriage shall no longer exist. Catholic teaching looks upon marriage as a sacrament, a sacred commitment of a couple to one another before God, that nothing and no-one can break.

The process of annulment is often misunderstood. It exists in Civil Law and looks at the circumstances at the time of a marriage. An annulment is a cry for help in a marriage that for various reasons went wrong. It does not point the finger of guilt at one party. It is done to heal those who have been wounded in their relationship with each other, that they may go in peace.

(Fr. Tom Cox - Intercom - October 2006)

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK

MASSES CALLOW - Thursday, Friday, Sunday 10 a.m.

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

**MINISTERS OF THE WORD NEXT WEEK:
WEEK:**

Saturday 8 p.m. Mary Stenson.
Margaret.

Sunday 10 a.m. Pat Gallagher.

Sunday 11.30 a.m. Teresa Hennigan.

MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST NEXT

Saturday 8 p.m. Thomas Marren and Sr.

Sunday 10 a.m. Anne Deacy.

Sunday 11.30 a.m. Francis Brennan.

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL - KILLASSER:

Saturday 8 p.m. Eimear Burke
Timlin

Sunday 11.30 a.m. Erin Rochford

CALLOW

Sunday 10 a.m. Helen

ALTAR SERVERS FOR KILLASSER CHURCH NEXT WEEK:

Saturday 14th October 8 p.m. Ciara Hussey Amy Hussey Colin Hughes Liam Moran.

Sunday 15th October 11.30 a.m. Eoin Gallagher Aileen Gallagher Kevin Hennigan

OFFERTORY PROCESSION NEXT WEEK:

Saturday 8 p.m. The Heaney Family (Derreen)
(Cullenaughton)

Sunday 10 a.m. The McGowan Family
Sunday 11.30 a.m. The McNulty Family (Carrownedan)

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

in Killasser Church on Monday from 4.00 - 7.00 p.m.

'DO THIS IN MEMORY' is a programme for Children in Second Class preparing for First Confession and First Holy Communion and their Parents. The worshipping Parish community is also expected to be involved, e.g. Parish Choir, Pastoral Council. This programme is meant to complement what is taught in school. A ceremony will take place during one of the weekend Masses in Killasser, once each month over the next ten months. **The first of these ceremonies will be at the Vigil Mass this weekend. It is hoped that by participating in this programme, we can see more clearly that First Confessions and First Communion are steps on a long journey of Faith. This journey of Faith goes on right through life. Sincere thanks to everyone who has**

prepared for this ceremony and all who are participating in it. We hope that it will be a meaningful experience for all involved, which is the whole community.

FIRST CONFESSIONS - FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2007: The following children will receive these two Sacraments during this School Year:

CARRAMORE SCHOOL	Conor Kerrane (Carrownedan) Emily Ronayne (Swinford) Rachael Neary (Kilmactigue)	Cathal Frain (Swinford) Shauna Fallon (Swinford)
KILLASSER SCHOOL	Thomas Stenson (Carrowleambeg) Daire Thompson (Graffy) Rachael Howley (Dunmaynor) Mary Tully (Carroweena)	David Gallagher (Ballinacurra) Maeve Peyton (Dromada-Gore) Emily O'Grady (Carroweena)

We wish all these Children, their Parents and Families, Teachers and the Parish Community every blessing on this journey of preparation.

WEDDING: Congratulations to Gerard McLoughlin, Callow and Shirley Hopkins, Swinford, who were married in Swinford Parish Church on Friday last 6th October. We wish them every blessing and happiness in their future married life.

A MEETING OF PARENTS for the purpose of organising a retirement function for Mrs. Cahill, former Principal of Killasser National School, will take place in Killasser Community Centre on Monday Night next 9th October at 8.30 p.m. Everyone interested is invited to attend.

A KILLASSER/CALLOW PARISH FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING will be held in Killasser Community Centre on next Saturday Night 14th October at 9.00 p.m. All members are encouraged to attend.

THE PARENTS' COUNCIL OF SCOIL MUIRE AGUS PADRAIG will hold its first meeting of the school year on Thursday next 12th October at 8.30 p.m. in the Secondary School. All parents are welcome and especially parents of first years are encouraged to come along.

A SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING OF KILLASSER GROUP WATER SCHEME will be held in Killasser Community Centre on Wednesday night next 11th October at 9.00 p.m. This meeting is being held to discuss the different options available to the group regarding upgrading of the scheme. The decisions taken at this meeting will have a huge bearing on the cost of our water supply in the coming years. It is important that as many people as possible have an opportunity to give their input. All members are encouraged to attend.

THE BONE MARROW FOR LEUKAEMIA TRUST HARVEST FAIR which was held in Killasser Community Centre on Sunday last 1st October was a tremendous success. On behalf of the Trust, Noreen Shovlin, who will walk in South Africa in November for the Trust, wishes to express her appreciation to everyone who donated produce, to all who organised the Fair and to all who supported the event. The amount raised came to €1,055. We wish Noreen well on her trip to South Africa.

A DAY OF PRAYER FOR OUR LADY'S INTENTIONS will be held in the Fr. Peyton Centre, Attymass on next Friday 13th October, the Feast of Our Lady Of Fatima. It commences at 12 Noon and concludes at 4.00 p.m. approx. It includes Adoration, recitation of the Joyful, Sorrowful and Glorious Mysteries of the rosary and the celebration of Mass. Lunch at 1.30 is also part of the day.

'GO TO THE WHOLE WORLD' is the theme for October 2006, the Month of the Missions. The number of those who do not know Christ is increasing, not decreasing. October, traditionally is the month of mission, a time for the Christian Faithful to reflect on its response to the missionary mandate of Christ - 'Go to the whole world.'

PARISH RENEWAL AND DEVELOPMENT: Well know writer and lecturer Martin Kennedy gave a very interesting talk on '**Parish Renewal and Development**' in the Fr. Peyton Centre on Thursday night last. It was a very practical and encouraging presentation. There was plenty interaction in the form of questions and comment. Sincere thanks to everybody from Callow and Killasser who attended.

CONNACHT VICTORY OVER MUNSTER: Congratulation to David Heaney who captained Connacht to victory over Munster on Friday Night last in the interprovincial championship. The final will be played in Boston in a couple of weeks time.

BROADBAND FOR KILLASSER/CALLOW is possible if there is sufficient interest. It can be viable if there are at least twenty interested subscribers. If you are interested, you can contact Gerry Cronnolly on 086-2546579.

INFORMATION SERVICE: A service providing information and advice to members of the community will be available in Killasser Community Centre each Monday from 11.00 a.m. - 1.00 p.m.

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

FEAST DAYS: Wednesday - St. Canice, Patron of Ossory.

KILLASSER PARISH DIRECTORY: Some copies will be left at the Church doors. If they are not there and you wish to have a copy, call to the sacristy or contact any member of the Parish Pastoral Council

FOSTER HOME NEEDED for an 11 year old boy who is at present on a special programme dealing with difficulties from his early childhood. A high level of support and training is available to the prospective foster parents. Contact Fidelma Ruddy, 'Foster Resource worker' on 094-9042283.

MARKETING CAN BUILD YOUR BUSINESS: Practical exercises to help you discover how effective marketing can help you grow your business. Workshop to be held on October 9th 2006. To register your interest and reserve your place on the course, contact Anne Marie Carroll or Brendan O'Shea on 094-9381494. Participants should be currently running a business. The project is being supported by your East Mayo LDP and Leader Programmes.

THE OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR 30th September / 1st October amounted to €1,678.

THE BISHOP OF THE DIOCESE OF MEKI ETHIOPIA is in Ireland this week. He is visiting our Cluster this weekend and will speak at the 11.30 a.m. Mass in Killasser this Sunday. We extend a warm welcome to him. This is the diocese from which Fr. Desalyn, who visited us last year and preached at some of the weekend Masses, came from. It is hoped that our cluster and this Diocese can become closely linked for the future.

PRAY FOR Martin and Geraldine McNulty, Listernan, and Deceased McNulty and Kerrane Family Members, also Molly, Jim, J.P., and Pat Heaney, Derreen, Saturday 8 p.m.
Patrick and Catherine Meehan, Sunday 8th October 10 a.m.
Nora and Thomas Timlin, Cullen
People of the Parish, Sunday 11.30 a.m.
Fr. Paraic McGovern, Wednesday 10 a.m.
Delma Monaghan, Toorard, Saturday 8 p.m.
Michael and Mary Cronnolly, Cartron, Deceased Members of Cronnolly and O'Neill Families
Brother-in-law John McManus, Niece Maureen Conlon and Husband John Conlon, Saturday 8 p.m.
Michael McNulty, Carrowedan and Grand Aunt May Niland, Sunday 15th October 11.30 a.m.
Teresa Howley, Dunmaynor, who died on Saturday 30th September in St. Anne's Nursing Home, Charlestown. Her funeral Mass was celebrated on Tuesday last 3rd October.

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE.