

KILLASSER/CALLOW PARISH NEWSLETTER

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THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

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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'*

THOUGHT FOR THE NEW YEAR.

What if, God couldn't take time to bless us today because we couldn't take time to thank him yesterday?

What if, God decided to stop leading us tomorrow because we didn't follow Him today?

What if, we never saw another flower bloom because we grumbled when God sent the rain?

What if, God didn't walk with us today because we failed to recognise it as His day?

What if, God took away the message when we failed to listen to the messenger?

What if, the door of the church was closed because we did not open the door of our heart?

What if, God stopped loving and caring for us, because we failed to love and care for others?

What if, God would not hear us today because we would not answer His call to service?

What if, God met our needs the way we give Him our lives?

(Inspirational Quote.)

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, Thursday 10 a.m. / Sunday 10 a.m.

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

OFFERTORY PROCESSION NEXT WEEK:

Saturday 8 p.m. The Howley Family (Carrowleambeg)

Sunday 10.00 a.m. The Burke Family (Callow)

Sunday 11.30 a.m. The Judge Family (Magheraboy)

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

THE OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR

3rd / 4th January amounted to €752

5th / 6th January amounted to €35.

THE ANNUAL CHRISTMAS MASS AND PARTY was celebrated on Sunday evening last 4th January. A very enjoyable evening was had by all who attended. Sincere thanks on behalf of all those who attended to Killasser Community Care Group for organising everything so well.

SPONSOR A LIGHT FOR CHRISTMAS: Sincere thanks to all who sponsored a light on the outdoor Christmas Trees at Killasser and Callow Churches. The money will go towards the Killasser/Callow Parish Renovation Fund.

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM will be celebrated in Killasser Church on Saturday next 17th January.

WEDDINGS: We congratulate Will James, Melbourne, Australia and Jennifer Ralph, Dublin and Ronan Colleran, Dublin and Lisa McMahon, Dublin who were married in Callow Church on Monday 5th and Friday 9th January respectively. We wish both couples every blessing and happiness in their married life together.

KILLASSER COMMUNITY CENTRE FURNITURE BORROWED? A number of chairs, table tops and frames and some other items are missing from the community centre. If you have borrowed any of the above, you might be good enough to return them. There is no problem borrowing as long as we remember to return. Please check to see if you have anything to return

MASS ON THIS SATURDAY 10TH JANUARY will be offered in Killasser Church for all those remembered, living and dead, by sponsoring a light on the tree outside Killasser Church.

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.

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

BRAINWAVE IRISH EPILEPSY ASSOCIATION ANNUAL CHURCH-GATE COLLECTION taken up at Callow Church on Sunday 4th January amounted to €83.69. Sincere thanks to all who contributed.

A CLUSTER STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING will be held in the Fr. Peyton Centre, Attymass on Thursday next 15th January at 8.00 p.m. 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.

REFLECTING ON PARENTING TEENAGERS: The Parents' Association is organising a 2 hour session on 'Parenting Teenagers' in the School on Tuesday next 13th January, commencing at 7.30 p.m. The aims are to explore the experience of parenting with respect to the social, personal and health needs of teenagers, and look at supports available to compliment the role of parents. It will be facilitated by two Health Promotion Officers from HSE West. Admission is free and all are welcome, especially parents of 1st - 3rd year pupils. I haven't been told which school this takes place in but can I presume it is Swinford Secondary School?

A KILLASSER/CALLOW PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL will be held on Wednesday 21st January at 8.00 p.m. in Callow Church.

A KILLASSER COMMUNITY CENTRE COMMITTEE MEETING will be held in the Centre on Wednesday night next 14th January at 8.30 p.m.

MASS ON R.T.E. FROM ATTYMASS: Congratulations and complements to the Parish of Attymass on how beautiful the Mass to mark the beginning of a year of celebration to mark the centenary of the birth of Fr. Peyton was on television last Sunday 4th January. A special word of praise and thanks to everyone who prepared for and participated this celebration. The cluster choir was a very special part of the celebration and it was great to see so many from the parish choirs participating. The spread of age groups was also very significant. After the celebration there was a lovely gathering in the Fr. Peyton centre where all those directly involved were treated to lunch. It was a very special day in the life of Attymass and of the Cluster. The Triduum of Prayer continues this Saturday evening and this Sunday morning. Everyone is welcome.

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

PRAY FOR All the Departed remembered through sponsoring a light on Christmas tree, Saturday 8 p.m.
People of the Parish, Sunday 10 a.m.

Paid and Kathleen McGowan, Carramore-Moy, Sunday 11th January 11.30 a.m.

Pake Howley, Carrowleambeg, Granddaughter Ciara and Deceased Family, Saturday 8 p.m.

Mary Kate Conlon, Boleboy, who died on Monday last 5th January and whose Funeral Mass was celebrated on Thursday.

Tommy Keenan, Lisacul, Castlerea, Brother of Mary Meehan, Cloonfinnish who died on Monday Last 5th January.

Kathleen Walsh, Kiltimagh, Grandmother of Ms. Claire Gallagher, Principal Killasser National School, Who died on Wednesday last 7th January.

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE.