

KILLASSER/CALLOW PARISH NEWSLETTER

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THE TRIUMPH OF THE CROSS

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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'*

AT CROSS PURPOSES.

If Jesus had been hanged instead of crucified would we be celebrating the Triumph of the Rope? No irreverence is intended here. It is a serious question. The symbolism of hanging from a rope would not be as strong, nor the image as powerful, as that of an outstretched man, naked, pinned in agony to a cross. Yet redemption would just as surely have been achieved. The means of death was not important. The fact of death was.

While today's feast focuses on the symbol, the external sign, we cannot be blind to what really counted; Jesus' love for his Father. Concentrating on, and glorifying the cross can be dangerous, even unchristian. It can give the impression that the pain is all-important, not the love that overcomes the pain.

Had Jesus not had to die for what he said and did would he still be Saviour? An unqualified yes to that! If it was his love that brought salvation, then the suffering was tragically unnecessary. But because of our sorry state, it was inevitable.

That's why today's Gospel reading tells us that the Father sent his Son into this world, not to condemn it but to save it. That mission is what triumphed, not the cross. Without the love in his heart Jesus would not have had his cross to bear. He would not have had to face the enemy to the bitter end - and he would not have been a man to take seriously.

(Sunday and Holy Day Liturgies - Flor McCarthy)

Fr. Chris Ginnelly - Foxford 094-9256401.

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

Fr Dermot Burns - Straide 094-9031029

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK

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

KILLASSER - Wednesday 10 a.m. / Saturday 8 p.m. / Sunday 11.30 a.m.

MINISTERS OF THE WORD NEXT WEEK:

Saturday 8.00 p.m. Claire Stenson

Sunday 10.00 a.m. Sean McLoughlin

Sunday 11.30 a.m. Patrick McNulty.

MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST NEXT WEEK:

Saturday 8.00 p.m. Paraic O'Hara and Thomas Marren.

Sunday 10.00 a.m. Margaret McGowan.

Sunday 11.30 a.m. Bridie Sheerin.

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL - KILLASSER:

Saturday 8.00 p.m. Aileen Gallagher

Sunday 11.30 a.m. Pierce Rowley

CALLOW

Sunday 10.00 a.m. Aine Timlin.

ALTAR SERVERS FOR KILLASSER CHURCH NEXT WEEK:

Saturday 20th September 8.00 p.m. David Cronnolly Shane Cunney Niall Armstrong Siobhan Tully.

Sunday 21st September 11.30 a.m. Cormac Warde Michelle O'Keeffe Brid Rogers Lorraine Kavanagh

Sunday 21st September 10.00 a.m. Saoirse O'Grady John McNulty Aoife Burke Sinead Timlin.

OFFERTORY PROCESSION NEXT WEEK:

Friday 8 p.m. The Shovlin Family (Dromada-Duke)

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

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

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

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

THE OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR

6th / 7th September amounted to €1,525.

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

will be celebrated in Killasser Church on this Sunday 14th September at 1.00 p.m.
Anyone who wishes to attend is most welcome.

FR. JOHN PEYTON - DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM who was ordained in July this year in Birmingham will celebrate the 8.00 p.m. Vigil Mass in Killasser Church on Saturday evening next 20th September. Fr. John in a first cousin of Noreen Shovlin, Dromada-Duke and his father was a native of Dromada-Gore, Killasser and his mother was a native of Ballyhaunis. We are delighted to welcome him back to the parish of his roots and thank him for taking the time to visit. We congratulate him on his ordination and wish him every blessing and happiness in his ministry. I am sure he will give his first blessing to all who wish to have it so you are all invited to come along. There will also be a cup of tea and maybe a bunnen in the Community Centre afterwards. It is always important to mix the social with the spiritual.

COMPUTER CLASSES FOR BEGINNERS: It is planned to run a Computer Course for beginners in the new Computer Room at Killasser Community Centre. If you are interested in this course you should contact the following number 086-0564096 between 8.00 - 10.00 p.m. any evening during the week. This new room is state of the art so why not avail of the opportunity?

FATIMA 2008 WEST OF IRELAND PILGRIMAGE will take place from 7th October, leaving from Knock. It will be for seven nights in Hotel Avenida. The cost is €35 plus €25 Insurance. Spiritual Director is Fr. John Maloney. For details contact Nancy Surlis on 071-9185640 or 086-8185153.

WEST OF IRELAND 10-DAY PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND DIRECT FROM KNOCK from 22nd September - 1st October. Spiritual Director is Fr. Tomas Surlis. The cost is €1,190 fully inclusive of taxes and half board. For further information contact Nancy Surlis on 071-9185640.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND TOURISM STUDIES COURSE FOR UNEMPLOYED ADULTS: If you are interested in returning to Education, improving your employment prospects, why not enrol on the Information Technology and Tourism Study Course at the Further Education Centre, Swinford which is due to commence in September 2008. The Course is free. Eligible participants are paid an allowance equivalent to a full Social Welfare payment plus meal and travel allowances. Childcare support is also available. For further information contact Emer at Swinford on 094-9251928.

GRANTS of up to €2,000 per household are now available for groups of houses looking to improve their energy efficiency. Five houses or more are encouraged to come together as a cluster, with energy assessments of each home available for €100. Further information is available through SEI's website www.sei.ie/hes or by calling 1850 927 000

ACHONRY AND ITS CHURCHES: This is a beautiful book containing photographs of every Church in our Diocese as well as other places of worship and pilgrimage. There is also a list of all the bishops of the Diocese and other useful information. These books are available after each Mass in Killasser and Callow and they cost just €20.

A ONE-DAY PILGRIMAGE FROM KILLASSER TO LOUGH DERG will take place on Monday 22nd September. You are asked to give your names to Fr. O'Mahony as soon as possible on 094-9251431. Even if you have already indicated your interest you might confirm that. This year, like last year, the cost will cover Travel and Lough Derg Fees. The cost will be €55 per person - €27 for Lough Derg and €28 for transport. In Lough Derg, tea and scones will be provided on arrival in the morning and a light lunch in the middle of the day. For any food early in the morning or after we leave Lough Derg, it will be up to each person to decide what they wish to have. This will not be included in the price and is not pre-arranged. This can be decided on the day. The bus will leave Swinford at 6.30 a.m. / Callow Church at 6.45 a.m. and Killasser Church at 7.00 p.m.

THE IRISH HEART FOUNDATION CHURCH-GATE COLLECTION taken up at Callow Church last weekend amounted to €137. Sincere thanks to all who contributed and collected.

KILLASSER COMMUNITY CENTRE INDOOR BASKETBALL will commence in the Centre on Monday evening next 15th September for the coming season. It will begin at 6.00 p.m. The Indoor Soccer has already commenced on Friday evening last and will continue each Friday evening for the season ahead.

NOTICE TO KILLASSER GROUP WATER SCHEME USERS: Members are advised that tests carried out recently by the HSE have shown that the water supply is unsatisfactory at present and consumers are advised that the water should be boiled before human consumption. This boil notice will remain in effect until further notice. The water pipeline will be scoured/ flushed through in the near future. This could mean that some users of the water will have dirty water for a few days. The Committee apologise for any inconvenience caused.

NEW TEMPORARY TEACHERS: Mrs. Mary Brogan will be the temporary resource teacher for Carramore and Killasser National Schools while Ms. Kelly is away on a Course for a number of weeks. Ms. Kathleen Ginley, Attymass is a temporary teacher in Killasser National School until next March while Ms. Gibbons is away on maternity leave. We welcome both teachers to the parish and hope their time in our schools will be pleasant and fulfilling.

FAS EVENING COURSES will begin on Thursday 25th September in the FAS Training Centre, Ballina. Enrolment Evening is 18th September at 7.00 p.m. For further information contact FAS on 096-24017. Courses include: Introduction to Computers, SAGE Accounts and Payroll; Introduction to Internet/E-mail; Basic Arc Welding; Improver Welding; Roofing/Cutting and Calculating; Occupational First Aid; Word Processing Advanced and Safety Health and Welfare at Work.

THE ANNUAL CEMETERY COLLECTION amounted in total to €1,916. The Offertory Collection on the evening of the Mass amounted to €75 and the Envelope Collection amounted to €41 bringing the total to €1,916. Sincere thanks to everyone for your support which will enable maintenance and any necessary upgrading of the cemetery to continue.

THE KILLASSER/CALLOW MONTHLY FUNDRAISING COLLECTION for July and August amounted to €710. Sincere thanks on behalf of the Finance Committee for your continued support.

FURTHER EDUCATION CENTRE KILTIMGH: Finished School early? Are you interested in learning new skills or gaining a qualification? Are you aged 16 - 20? If so, why not join Youthreach, we provide skills in Woodwork, Hotel and Catering, Metal Work, Welding, Car Mechanics, English, Computers, Literacy/Numeracy, Maths, Art, Childcare, Hair and Beauty and Work Experience. All students receive a training allowance for attending the course and if required a childcare allowance may be provided. For more information contact Tracey or Conor on 094-9381338 or e-mail youthkilty@eircom.net

NEW PUPILS IN NATIONAL SCHOOLS FOR SCHOOL YEAR 2008 - 2009

CARRAMORE	Junior Infants	Holly McNulty (Dunmaynor)	Tess Nealon (Cloonygowan)	Orla Fleming (Aclare)
		Iseult Kerviche (Swinford)	Jack Folliard (Carn)	Aiden Dunleavy (Carramore)
		Freddie Tuersley (Carrownedan)	Daniel Webb (Swinford)	Alan Carr (Coolcastle)
	Second Class	Collette Burke (Carramore)		
	Third Class	Chloe Burke (Carramore)		
	Fourth Class	Roisin Burke (Carramore)	Cathal Fleming (Aclare)	
	Fifth Class	Thomas Burke (Carramore)		
KILLASSER	Junior Infants	Thomas Igoe (Killasser Estate)	Adam O'Grady (Carroweena)	
		Martin Cassidy (Killasser Estate)	Dominic Stephens (Rooskey, Foxford)	

We welcome all new pupils to the school and we wish them every happiness, success and blessing for the year and years ahead.

ANGER ISSUES: Everyone knows what Anger is, but how do you express it without hurting others or hurting yourself? Uncontrolled anger can cost you your marriage, your job, relationships, health and the respect of your loved ones. The **Irish Association for Anger Management** is running a residential training programme on **Saturday 1st and Sunday 2nd November at Knock House Hotel**. Places are limited, so booking is essential. For more information, contact Peter Devers, Regional Consultant at the Irish Association of Anger Management on 094-9037677 / 087-7989253 / www.difficultemotions.com

PRAY FOR Pat, Willie, Matt Thompson and Sister Mary, Doontas and their Parent, Saturday 9 p.m.
 John McHugh, Craigaballagh, Saturday 8 p.m.
 People of the Parish, Sunday 10 a.m.
 Tom Horkan, Blackpatch and Parents Pat and Nora Horkan, Sunday 14th September 11.30 a.m.
 Michael and Catherine Stenson, Carrowleambeg, Saturday 8 p.m.
 James O'Grady, Carrowleambeg and Manchester and Lily O'Hara, Culdalee, Saturday 8 p.m.
 Bernie Groarke, Carrowleambeg, Saturday 8 p.m.
 John and Winnie Peyton, Son John, Daughter Mary Power and Martina Shovlin and Deceased Members Of Shovlin and Peyton Families, Saturday 8 p.m.
 For all people who sympathised with the Kerrane Family, Callow on the death of Mary (Mai) Kerrane.
MAY THEY REST IN PEACE.
