

KILLASSER/CALLOW PARISH NEWSLETTER

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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'*

REORDERING PRIORITIES.

In many ways, if you develop the knack of looking at things the right way, you will find both people and world endlessly fascinating. The opposite is also true, if you gain the habit of looking at it the wrong way, then the whole world is horrible and tedious and boring. And that fundamentally is the battle - to keep looking at the world in the right way.

Both Levite and Priest were of course good men, but for their own reasons, while they saw the injured man, perceived him more as a threat to their plans that day. Broken lives rarely shoehorn themselves into our agendas. The Samaritan also had his tasks in mind for that day, but he saw the person before his personal projects. He saw things the right way round. The needs of the many do not justify the ignoring of the few. Think back, how many of your most rewarding experiences came from unexpected circumstances and people? In many ways our journey is like that of the scriptures set before people. It is to take the law of God from the pages (First Reading) out onto the streets. Are we here to see through people or to see each other through?

(Fr. Tom Cox - Intercom - July 2007)

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK

MASSES CALLOW - Monday, Sunday 10 a.m.

KILLASSER - Friday 10 a.m. / Sunday 11.30 a.m. and 1.30 p.m.

MINISTERS OF THE WORD NEXT WEEK:

Saturday 8.00 p.m. Sr. Margaret.

Sunday 10 a.m. Sean McLoughlin.

Sunday 11.30 a.m. Francis Brennan.

MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST NEXT WEEK:

Saturday 8.00 p.m. Anne Holleran and Mary Marren.

Sunday 10 a.m. Mary Mulligan

Sunday 11.30 a.m. Geraldine Burke.

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL - KILLASSER:

Saturday 8.00 p.m. Sr. Margaret

Sunday 11.30 a.m. Francis Brennan

CALLOW

Sunday 10 a.m. Sean McLoughlin.

ALTAR SERVERS FOR KILLASSER CHURCH NEXT WEEK:

Saturday 21st July 8.00 p.m. Conor Stephens Liam Moran Keith Kavanagh Rebecca Cronnolly

Sunday 22nd July 11.30 a.m. Kevin Rowley Eoin Gallagher Brid Rogers Erin Rochford .

OFFERTORY PROCESSION NEXT WEEK:

Saturday 8.00 p.m. The Scully Family (Dromada-Duke)

Sunday 10 a.m. The Timlin Family (Prebawn)

Sunday 11.30 a.m. The Hurst Family (Carramore-Moy)

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

will not take place in Killasser Church during July and August.

THE OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR:

7th / 8th July amounted to €1,387.

THE PENTECOST COLLECTION:

Sincere thanks for your contributions towards the Pentecost collection taken up recently. Your support and generosity is very much appreciated.

THE KILLASSER/CALLOW RENOVATION FUND

for June amounted to €1,855. Sincere thanks for your support.

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 / €1,400 / €150 / €400 / €1,000 / €250 / €250 / €50 / €300 / €200 / €200. / €100. / €100. / €300. / €200. / €100. / €300 / €300 / €250 / €60 / €100 / €250 / €100 / €2,000 / €500 / €500. These donations were received recently. **Other donations of any amount will always be welcome.**

THE SACRISTY IN KILLASSER CHURCH has been completely refurbished over the past week. New furniture has been installed by Rory Conroy, Callow who did a beautiful job of the sacristy in Callow. Killasser has the same design. A new timber ceiling has also been put in place which looks very well. A new and better radiator has been installed behind the presses holding vestments etc to keep them in the best condition possible.

SINCERE THANKS TO RORY CONROY for providing and installing the new furniture in Killasser Church Sacristy free of charge as he did earlier in Callow Church. This is a most generous gesture and we thank him on behalf of the who parish.

THE TARMAC AT KILLASSER CHURCH is in a poor state and needs to be newly done. The kerbing will also have to be replaced. The tarmac area will also be extended on the Estate side of the Church.

THE PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS AT KILLASSER CHURCH will not mean a new Fundraising initiative. It does mean asking you to continue to support the present fundraising campaign which is going very well and which is for both sides of the parish. Improvements always need to be carried out on grounds and buildings, especially buildings that are very old like churches. The improvements inside and outside of Killasser Church will be done on a phases basis.

THE OFFERTORY ENVELOPES FOR 2007 - 2008 have been distributed over the past few weeks. If you haven't received a box yet, it will be delivered during the coming week. You will also receive a letter and a Statement of Accounts for 2006. Sincere thanks to everyone who has contributed over the past year and in anticipation thanks for your continued support in the year ahead. The money from the Offertory Collection each week goes towards the general maintenance/running costs of Killasser and Callow Churches and the Parochial House.

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

NOTICE TO KILLASSER GROUP WATER SCHEME CONSUMERS - WATER QUALITY ANALYSIS REPORT: The HSE has recently taken samples of Killasser Group Water Scheme water for analysis. The laboratory report of Analysis in respect of those samples indicates that the Bacteriological Results are satisfactory with **no Coliforms, no E.coli and no perfringens** detected. Chemical analysis of Killasser Group Water Scheme water has consistently shown that the chemical properties of the water are excellent for drinking water. A copy of the bacteriological test report on the Church Notice Boards.

KILLASSER GROUP WATER SCHEME - PRECAUTIONARY BOIL NOTICE: Notwithstanding the above quality results, the management committee are required to advise users of untreated water i.e. Water which has no added disinfectant; that the water should be boiled prior to human consumption. This notice is to remain in effect until further notice.

THE KILLALA/ACHONRY DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 2007 takes place from 23rd - 28th August. The Pilgrimage will be jointly led by Bishop Fleming of Killala and Bishop Flynn of Achonry. It would be important to book in good time. Details on each of the Church Notice Boards.

THE LOUGH DERG PILGRIMAGE SEASON commenced on Tuesday 1st May with the One-Day Pilgrimages. The Three-Day Pilgrimages began on Monday 1st June and run until Monday 13th August. Phone No. 071-9861518. The One-Day Retreat costs €27 and a reservation should be booked in advance. The Three-Day Pilgrimage costs €45 and it is not necessary to book.

A ONE-DAY PILGRIMAGE FROM KILLASSER TO LOUGH DERG will take place in September if there is sufficient interest. For those who may wish to make more long-term arrangements, can I suggest Monday 10th September as suitable date. Speaking to some people, this date is suitable for them, so you can take it that this will now be the date for the pilgrimage. More details later.

PILGRIMAGE TO ROME AND ASSISI will take place from Thursday 25th October to Thursday 4th November. There will be four nights in Rome and three nights in Assisi. The company is Celebration Travel. The Spiritual Director is Fr. Joe Caulfield, Carracastle. Price depends on number booking. Further information from Marian Maloney on 087-2112555 or 094-9288229

THE WEEKLY SEISIUNS will be held again this year in the Fr. Peyton Centre, Attymass on each Thursday night at 9 p.m. during July and August. Third session on next Thursday Night 19th July. Admission €10. Refreshments served. There was a wonderful night's entertainment on last Thursday night and a huge crowd in spite of the inclement weather. Well worth a visit. The tea/coffee and bunceens were beautiful.

THE BIG BROTHER BIG SISTER MENTORING PROGRAMME which is operated by Foroige needs volunteers, both male and female, from the Swinford area. Volunteers are asked to share their time, interests and hobbies with a young

person for about one hour each week. Volunteers receive training and are fully supported by a professional youth worker. For brochures and application forms contact Big Brother Big Sister Office, The Mall, Castlebar. Phone 094-9060417.

THE PARISH CALENDAR which has been in a state of preparation over the past few weeks has now gone to the printers for production. It promises to be a beautiful production which will be a collector's item for the future. It will have relevance for every townland in the parish, with the name of each townland included as a picture as well as twelve beautiful photographs. It should be ready for launching in early August. When it is on sale make sure you get your copy early as it is a once-off production. It will have a special appeal for from the parish living in other parts of the country and world.

PHOTOGRAPH APPEAL: The book Committee wish to express appreciation to the many who responded to the recent appeal for photographs. Further photographs will be most welcome, in particular those taken on the land, in the bog, in the meadow, at the railway station, at dances in the Brown Memorial Hall, Pontoon Ballroom, Cullen, Knockmore and Shraheen, shop fronts, the ball alley, N.S.U cycle rally to Enniscrone and other of general interest.

WATERPOINT ENNISCROME ASTROZONE SUMMER CAMPS: Week 1 16th - 20th July / Week 2 - 23rd - 27th July / Week 3 - 30th July - 3rd August. Monday - Friday 10.30 a.m. - 3.30 p.m. 6 - 12 years. Limited availability. For more information or to sign up for the camps please contact Waterpoint at 096-36999.

CONGRATULATION TO SLIGO on winning the Connacht Senior Football Championship Final on Sunday last 8th July in Hyde Park, Roscommon after a gap of 32 years. It was a wonderful achievement against no less a team than Galway. It really brought life back into the Connacht Championship. It certainly has made for so many disappointments since 1975.

PRAY FOR: Kevin Barry and Frank Crowley, Toorard, Saturday 8 p.m.
 James and Mary Convey, Cloonacanna, Pat and Kathleen Convey, Darnagh and Deceased Family, Saturday 8 p.m.
 Mary and Jim Lalor and Deceased Family Members, Sunday 10 a.m.
 Marian Nolan, Cloonygowan, and Deceased Family, Sunday 10 a.m.
 People of the Parish, Sunday 11.30 a.m.
 Pat Noone, Knockbawn and his Sister May, who died recently in London, Sunday 22nd July 10 a.m.
 Paddy and Brigid Timlin, Prebawn, Sunday 22nd July 10 a.m.
 Michael McNulty, Cullenaughton, Wife Peg and Deceased family members, Sunday 22nd July 10 a.m.
MAY THEY REST IN PEACE.

CONGRATULATIONS SLIGO