

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'*

BREAKFAST WITH JESUS.

We've come in just two weeks from Jesus 'resurrecting' disciples buried in fear and grief, locked in tombs of their own making to some serious I.D. provided for Thomas the absent disciple. Now we have seven of the disciples head northwards to Galilee. They are gently called back to 'Come and have breakfast' - they are fed and strengthened before given the task.

Firstly they are to bring something to the fire, not just fish. They brought their love of Christ, their fear of the future, and their love for each other. This is no Audrey Hepburn 'Breakfast at Tiffany's' moment. A film exuding glamour but actually the lonely and pathetic habit of a young woman who sells herself as an escort. She dreams of a life of wealth and security, instead, she is confronted by the cold hard realities of her life.

In the same way the disciples had dreams of wealth and power. It seemed tantalisingly close with their triumphant entry to Jerusalem on Palm Sunday. The dream fell apart, and yes He rose again and that was great, but he wasn't their teacher any more. No more travelling around with him, listening and watching him teach and heal. Nothing for it but head back for the cold, hard realities of life. Nothing to do but go back to fishing.

A fair number of us live a 'Breakfast at Tiffany's' kind of life, moving between shallow materialism and mindless grind. Breakfast with Jesus offers infinite possibilities - strengthened for the task of tomorrow.

Fr. Tom Cox - Intercom - April 2007)

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK

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

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

MINISTERS OF THE WORD NEXT WEEK:

Saturday 8.00 p.m. Ray Chuck.

Sunday 10 a.m. 'Do This In Memory'

Sunday 11.30 a.m. Francis Brennan.

MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST NEXT WEEK:

Saturday 8.00 p.m. Sr. Margaret and Mary Marren.

Sunday 10 a.m. Angela Conlon.

Sunday 11.30 a.m. Bridie Sheerin..

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL - KILLASSER:

Saturday 8.00 p.m. Claire Stenson

Sunday 11.30 a.m. Erin Rochford

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Sunday 10 a.m. 'Do This In Memory'.

ALTAR SERVERS FOR KILLASSER CHURCH NEXT WEEK:

Saturday 28th April 8.00 p.m. Liam Moran Niall Armstrong Ciara Hussey Brid Rogers

Sunday 29th April 11.30 a.m. Caoimhe Warde Amy Hussey Aileen Gallagher Colin Hughes.

OFFERTORY PROCESSION NEXT WEEK:

Saturday 8.00 p.m. The Dunleavy Family (Killasser Estate).

Sunday 10 a.m. 'Do This In Memory'.

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

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT will be in Killasser Church on Monday from 4 - 7 p.m.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION SUNDAY THIS YEAR will be on Sunday 6th May. The Children of Second Class in Carramore and Killasser National Schools will receive Holy Communion for the first time at the 11.30 a.m. Mass on that day.

TROCAIRE LENTEN COLLECTION: The amount handed in already has reached €2,580. Sincere thanks, once again, for your tremendous generosity. If you haven't handed in your contribution already, you can do so at your convenience so that it can be sent on to Trocaire as soon as possible.

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 / €50 / €300 / €200 / €200. / €100. / €100. / €300. / €200. / €100. / €300 / €250 / €60 / €100. These donations were received recently. **Other donations of any amount will always be welcome.**

THE JAMES KILBANE FUNDRAISING CONCERT Sincere thanks to everyone who supported and attended the James Kilbane Concert in Callow Church on Sunday last 15th April. Hopefully everyone who attended enjoyed the event. It certainly was a very special occasion in a very special setting. The event was greatly enhanced by the contributions of 'Lasair' - Darina Burke, Sarah Scully, Linda McNulty and Eimear Burke - recent All-Ireland Readoiri winners - and Brenda Grealis (Walsh), Lismorane, a former All-Ireland Readoiri winner. Sincere thanks to all of them for being part of the concert and for singing so beautifully. Sincere thanks to everyone who helped to organise and run the concert for their generosity and time. A special thanks to the family who sponsored the cost of James Kilbane. It is a most generous gesture. Everything surrounding the concert and other events that have been held to raise funds for parish development show what a great community spirit exists. It is something to be appreciated and treasured and long may it continue. It brings the best out of so many people in so many different ways. Challenges of one type or another bring people together and promotes community spirit. If there was nothing happening it would be a very dull parish.

AN OPEN MEETING will be held in Callow Church on Monday Night next 23rd April at 8.30 p.m. to draw together any loose ends regarding the concert and to plan further fund-raising projects for the Parish Renovation Fund. Everyone interested in being involved is welcome to attend. Let us keep the momentum going and life can be even more enjoyable.

THE KILLASSER/CALLOW PARISH QUESTIONNAIRE should now have been distributed to every home in the parish. We would appreciate if you could return them by Sunday next 29th April at the latest. Sincere thanks to everyone who has taken the time to fill them and return them already. Your responses have been very informative so far and will help greatly with the future work of the Parish Pastoral Council.

A KILLASSER/CALLOW PARISH FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING will be held in Killasser Community Centre on Monday 30th April at 8.30 p.m.

THE OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR: 14th / 15th April amounted to €1,215.

SPIRITUAL DIRECTION AVAILABLE: Five women from Achonry Diocese have recently completed two years training in Spiritual Direction with the Jesuit Centre for Spirituality, Manresa. They are now available to meet with individuals. Spiritual Direction/Guidance offers a reflective look at life and working of the Holy Spirit in it. For more information, Phone Patricia McCarthy on 086-1021532 or Frances Mellett on 087-7813926. You can get a brochure in the Sacristy.

for children to avail of first class entertainment in their local area.

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.

MOY DAVITTS G.A.A. CLUB Training: Minor Training on Thursday at 7.00 p.m. and U-16 Training every Sunday at 12 Noon. All new players welcome. Please come out and support your local G.A.A. Club.

MOY DAVITTS G.A.A. CLUB NEWS: All Moy Davitts Underage Teams are now back training. Times of training sessions may vary. Any queries - please contact the following: U-10 Michael Gaughan 087-2656754 / U-12 Paddy Langan 085-1227460 / U-14 Declan Prendergast 086-3724713 / U-16 Joe McNulty 087-2451028 / Minor Miko Sheridan 087-6548021.

THE SOUTH SLIGO SPRING WALKING FESTIVAL AT LOUGH TALT will be held on 21st / 22nd April 2007. For further information contact Breege Mullarkey on 071-9181313, Breda Monaghan on 071-9181291 or Therese Sheerin on 071-9181120.

ACCORD CHARLESTOWN is recruiting Marriage Care Facilitators for their Pre-Marriage Courses. They are looking for people who have been married for at least 5 years, who are warm and caring and relate easily to others. If you think you can help them, please join them for an information evening regarding training and working as a Facilitator for their Pre-Marriage Courses. This meeting will be in the Pastoral Centre, Charlestown on Tuesday 17th April at 8.00 p.m. There you will meet Accord members and find out about the work they do. For further information please phone Patricia at 094-9254944. Office hours are Monday - Friday 9.30 a.m. - 1.30 p.m. Find out more about their work on their website WWW.ACCORD.IE

MILL HILL MISSIONARIES PROMOTION WEEKEND: Fr. Denis Hartnett, of the Mill Hill Missionary Order spoke at all Masses in the Parish last weekend 14th / 15th April. It certainly was a very engaging and lively presentation. It should make us all very appreciative of what we have in comparison to the people with whom he works in Sudan. He has been there for the past 22 years. He was promoting their Mission Magazine, called St. Joseph's Advocate of Mill Hill Missionaries, by sharing his own mission experience of working and living in Sudan. If you have decided to take the magazine for a year and have filled in the order form in the envelope, you can leave it in the offertory basket and it will be sent on to Kilkenny.

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.

ORDINARY PEOPLE WITH EXTRAORDINARY STORIES: Swinford born Australian playwright Helen Brett will give a talk at Swinford Library on the background to her play, Three Women, True Life Tales of World War 11, at 7.00 p.m. on Wednesday 25th April. This talk is free of charge and all are welcome. More details in next week's Newsletter.

A CANCER ACTION MHAIGH EO BRIDGE NIGHT will be held in the McWilliam Park Hotel, Claremorris on Sunday 22nd April at 6.00 p.m. All proceeds from the night will go towards the MRI Scanner campaign for Mayo General Hospital. Your support will be very much appreciated.

LADIES' MINI MARATHON: Cancer Action Mhaigh Eo is looking for volunteers to take part in the ladies' mini marathon on the Bank Holiday Monday 4th June next. All proceeds will go towards the MRI Scanner campaign for Mayo General Hospital. For further information, please contact 087-2224442.

A 10 KILOMETRE WALK in aid of the upkeep of Historic Teampall Maol Cemetery will take place on Bank Holiday Monday 7th May, commencing at 1.00 p.m. The walk will begin at Teampall Maol Cemetery - via Coolegrane, Cullen, Prebane, Askilawn, Attymachugh, Corleyley, Leckee, Laganmore, Muckroe, Churchpark and finishes at Teampall Maol. Refreshments will be served afterwards. Your support will be very much appreciated.

THE KILLASSER COMMUNITY CENTRE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING will be held in the Community Centre on Wednesday next 25th April at 8.00 p.m. Hopefully there will be a large attendance to discuss the future of the Centre which is such a valuable amenity in the community. It is an exciting time for the centre with plans for major refurbishment which will happen in the very near future.

WINNING STREAK: Congratulations to Catherine Stenson, Carrowleambeg, who was so successful and so lucky on R.T.E.'s Winning Streak Programme on Saturday 14th April. Sincere thanks to Catherine and her family for the wonderful day all of us had, whom they invited to travel with them to Dublin for the occasion. It was a wonderful experience.

THE KILLASSER COMMUNITY GAMES CHURCH-GATE COLLECTION taken up at all Masses last weekend amounted to €260.34c. Sincere thanks to everyone who helped with the collection and to all those who contributed.

THE MULTIPLE SCHLEROSIS CHURCH-GATE COLLECTION taken up at Callow and Killasser recently, amounted to €411.41c. Sincere thanks to all the collectors and to all those who contributed so generously.

SWINFORD VARIETY GROUP will hold their Annual General Meeting in the Vocational School, Swinford on Tuesday night next 24th April at 9.30 p.m. Anybody who is interested in joining the group for next season's production is asked to attend this meeting. New members are most welcome.

KILLASSER COMMUNITY CENTRE INDOOR SOCCER FINALS for the John Browne and Martin Joe Hegarty Memorial Cups will take place in the Community Centre on Saturday next 28th April. The competitions will begin at 4.00 p.m. Trophies and medals will be awarded to runners-up and winners. Fee is €2 per child. Refreshments will be served.

VOTE RUTH SCOTT FOR RTE'S CELEBRITY JIGS n'REELS AND SUPPORT TROCAIRE: D.J. Ruth Scott is one of the contestants taking part this year in Celebrity Jigs and Reels on RTE 1 and she has picked Trocaire as her charity of choice for the show. Ruth has travelled to the Philippines to see Trocaire's work first hand. The new series of Celebrity Jigs n'Reels will run over eight weeks and viewers will have the opportunity to vote for their favourite dancing celebrity each week. Each celebrity has a chosen charity and all monies raised during the course of the show will go directly to that charity. In 2006 Celebrity Jigs n'Reels raised over €150,000 for the chosen charities. By voting for Ruth people will be supporting Trocaire's

work in the developing world. 'Trocaire is delighted to have been nominated by Ruth as her charity for Celebrity Jigs n' Reels' said Justin Kilcullen, Director of Trocaire. 'Ruth has travelled with Trocaire and has seen our work in the Philippines, so it's great that she thinks so much of the work we do to pick Trocaire as her charity. Everyone in Trocaire will be cheering her on and I hope our supporters will get behind her too. We wish her the best of luck with the show'. To cast your vote during the live programmes text **voteruth** to **53600** or call **1513717110**. All the money raised from the texts and votes goes to charity.

ST. BENEDICT'S PRIORY - RETREAT HOUSE COBH CO. CORK: Their Retreat House is available for Private individual or group retreats and private day retreats. Accommodation is 6 Single Rooms and 2 Double Rooms. Retreatants are welcome to share in their Liturgical Life - Mass, Liturgy of the Hours and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. The Retreat House is situated in quiet peaceful surroundings and has a lovely Bible Garden. There are magnificent views of Cobh Harbour and Cobh Cathedral. Suggested donation is €40 per night, including all meals.. Phone No. 021-4811354.

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.

ALL-IRELAND U-21 FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP SEMI-FINAL - MAYO V LAOIS: This game was played on this Saturday afternoon 21st April in Hyde Park, Roscommon. Laois turned out to be too strong for Mayo, who were the All-Ireland Champions from last year. Michael McNulty, Cullenaughton and Moy Davitts, played in goals for the Mayo team and played a very sound game.

NATIONAL LEAGUE FOOTBALL FINAL - MAYO V DONEGAL: This game will be played in Croke Park on this Sunday 22nd. April at 4.00 p.m. We wish Mayo every success and a safe journey to all who are travelling.

WEDDING: Congratulations to Justin Cronnelly, Dunmaynor and Deborah Curley, Meelick, Swinford who were married in St. Luke's Church, Meelick on this Saturday afternoon 21st April. We wish them every blessing and happiness in their future married life.

PRAY FOR Mickey Tansey, Dromagh, Saturday 8 p.m.
 Sarah and Thomas McDonnell, Tiernanny, Saturday 8 p.m.
 Mary Keating, (Nee Hennigan), Carramore-Moy and Fermoy and Deceased of Hennigan and Rochford, Families, Saturday 8 p.m.
 People of the Parish, Sunday 10 a.m.
 John and Nora Goldrick, Carrowleamore, and deceased family members, Sunday 11.30 a.m.
 Anne Dunleavy, Killasser Estate, Months Mind, Saturday 8 p.m.
 Tom and Kate Agnes Holleran, Dromada-Duke, Son Benedict, Daughter-in-law Theresa, Saturday 8 pm
 Martin Dunne, Texas, U.S.A. and formerly Cloonfinnish, brother of the late Margaret Maloney, Tiernanny and William Dunne, Cloonfinnish, who died on 24th March in his 100th year, Saturday 8pm
 John Kelly, California and formerly of Cloonfinnish, who died suddenly on Sunday last 15th April, brother of Kevin Kelly, Cloonfinniah, Saturday 8 p.m.
 Tommy Doherty, Carramore, who died in London during the past week.
 Larry McDonagh, Galway, husband of Eileen Doherty, Carramore who died in London during the week.
MAY THEY REST IN PEACE.



