

# KILLASSER/CALLOW PARISH NEWSLETTER

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TWENTY FIRST 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'*

### PETER

Peter has been called a stumbling saint.

He is a great consolation to us because courage fails us all.

All of us are mere mortals, who are inconstant in our beliefs.

We must learn to forgive ourselves momentary weaknesses and failures.

We need to surmount these things and see the world in less rigid terms.

We must not judge ourselves or others by momentary inconsistencies, but rather by commitment given over a long time.

Jesus was well aware of Peter's faults, but he saw that, in spite of everything, his heart was sound.

Which meant he had the ability to love.

And in the long run love is what counts.

( Sunday and Holy Day Liturgies - Flor McCarthy)

Fr. Chris Ginnelly - Foxford 094-9256401.

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

Fr. Michael Maloney - Charlestown 085-1510383.

Fr Dermot Burns - Straide 094-9031029

### ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK

MASSES CALLOW - Tuesday, Thursday 10 a.m. / 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. Marguerite Marren.

Sunday 10.00 a.m. Joseph McNulty.

Sunday 11.30 a.m. Francis Brennan

#### MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST NEXT WEEK:

Saturday 8.00 p.m. Sr. Margaret and Eileen O'Neill.

Sunday 10.00 a.m. Marty Noone.

Sunday 11.30 a.m. Beatrice Goldrick

#### 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. Tommy Gallagher.

#### ALTAR SERVERS FOR KILLASSER CHURCH NEXT WEEK:

Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> August 8.00 p.m. Paul Quinn Conor Stephens Shane Cunney Eoin Gallagher

Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> August 11.30 a.m. Siobhan Tully Melissa Cronnolly Chloe Meehan Hayden Harrold.

Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> August 10.00 a.m. Shauna Burke Saoirse O'Grady Sinead Timlin Cian O'Grady.

#### OFFERTORY PROCESSION NEXT WEEK:

Friday 8 p.m. The Mcloughin Family (Derreen)

Sunday 10.00 a.m. The McNulty Family (Cullenaughton)

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

#### THE OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR

15<sup>th</sup> August amounted to €315.

16<sup>th</sup> / 17<sup>th</sup> August amounted to €1,052..

#### THE ANNUAL KILLASSER CEMETERY COLLECTION:

Envelopes are still available so that people can make a contribution to the upkeep of the cemetery. Your support will be very much appreciated by the Cemetery Committee who do such an excellent job in maintaining the cemetery so well. Well done to everyone who keeps the cemetery in such excellent condition in recent years. Sincere thanks to the members of the Rural Social Scheme who mow the grass on a regular basis.

#### THE OFFERTORY COLLECTION AT THE CEMETERY MASS

will be given to the Cemetery Fund. The amount taken at the Offertory Collection during the Cemetery Mass was €75. This was a most generous collection and sincere thanks for your generosity and support. The amount collected in the special Cemetery Envelope Collection will be given later

**THE ANNUAL KILLASSER CEMETERY MASS** which was celebrated on Saturday evening last 16<sup>th</sup> August was very well attended as usual. We were also fortunate to get very suitable weather. The cemetery was and is looking better than ever which is so important. Compliments to everyone who makes this possible, the Cemetery Committee, the Rural Social Scheme Workers, all of you who tidy your own individual graves.

**ACCORD CHARLESTOWN** All Marriage Preparation courses can be booked online at [www.accord.ie](http://www.accord.ie) or by telephoning 094-9254944. Accord Counselling service for people experiencing difficulties within their marriage or relationship. Safe, professional and confidential. To make an appointment telephone 094-9254944.

**COSGALLEN NEWS - EVENING CLASSES:** Cosgallen is currently planning their Autumn Evening Classes and are taking names for the following subjects: Flower Arranging / Irish / Computers. If you are interested in taking part, please contact the Office on 094-9255070 or drop in. These classes should commence in September (subject to numbers). These classes are part-funded by the VEC.

**COSGALLEN NEWS - BACK TO SCHOOL CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR ALLOWANCE** operates from 1<sup>st</sup> June to 30<sup>th</sup> September each year. The scheme offers help towards the cost of uniforms and footwear for school children. You may qualify if you are getting a Social Welfare payment or a Health Service Executive payment or taking part in an approved employment scheme or training course and satisfy other conditions. Application forms are available from your local Community Welfare Office or from Cosgallen.

**COSGALLEN NEWS - ECDL COURSE FOR ONE PARENT FAMILIES:** An ECDL Computer Course for people who are parenting alone will be held in Cosgallen CDP starting on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> September. This course will be held one morning per week for approximately 12 weeks. The course is free and has been funded by Mayo VEC. If you are interested in taking part please contact Cosgallen on 094-9255070

**COSGALLEN NEWS - ACCESS COURSE FOR SCHOOL LEAVERS:** Application forms for the Access Course for School Leavers in St. Angela's College, Sligo or N.U.I. Galway are available in Cosgallen CDP, Charlestown. The course is designed for students who completed their leaving certificate in 2006, 2007 or 2008 and who for financial or related reasons, did not achieve the necessary points for entry to N.U.I. Galway or St. Angela's College, Sligo on the basis of their Leaving Certificate Results. The Course will run for the academic year 2008/2009 and there is no fee for this course. A range of academic subjects will be covered and support will be provided to help students with writing and study skills. Students for the course will be selected on the basis of their socio-economic status and academic potential. Currently there are programmes running at two centres, a full-time course at N.U.I. Galway and a part-time course at St. Angela's College, Sligo. The closing date for completed application forms is Friday 29<sup>th</sup> August 2008. For more information phone Cosgallen on 094-9255070.

**COSGALLEN NEWS - CITIZENS' INFORMATION CENTRE:** Mayo Citizens' Information Service will hold an Outreach on Wednesday next 27<sup>th</sup> August at the Cosgallen Office from 9.45 a.m. - 11.30 a.m. Please note the change of day. The outreach will be held on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month in future.

**FATIMA 2008 WEST OF IRELAND PILGRIMAGE** will take place from 7<sup>th</sup> 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 22<sup>nd</sup> September - 1<sup>st</sup> 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 Further Education Centre, 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](http://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 lovely book for oneself and a lovely present for somebody else maybe away from home.

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**THE WEEKLY COMHALTAS SEISIUN IN THE FR. PEYTON CENTRE ATTYMASS** takes place every Thursday Night during July and August. It commences each night at 9.00 p.m. It is an evening of Music, Song, Dance and Storytelling. Admission is €10 which includes the usual refreshments at half-time. It is a wonderful night's entertainment for all age groups. It is a wonderful place to bring visitors for a most enjoyable evening. **Next Thursday night 28<sup>th</sup> August is the final session for this season.**

**ARAS ATTRACTA SWIMMING POOL:** Mayo County Council with the good will of the Health Service Executive are pleased to announce that there will be limited public sessions available in the Aras Attracta Swimming Pool, Swinford commencing on 11<sup>th</sup> August on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. The hours of open sessions will be **7.00 to 7.50 p.m. / 8.00 to 8.50 p.m. and 9.00 to 9.50 p.m.** Prices are €4 per Adult and €2.50 per child. The numbers at the pool are restricted too between 16 and 20 people per session. Please note that bookings can only be made on the day preceding or on the day of the session you require. This is a pilot project which will require community support.

**WELCOME TO ALL OUR VISITORS:** We extend a very warm welcome to all visitors visiting family or friends in the parish and community at this time. We hope you will have a very pleasant stay. We hope that you will all return refreshed, with good memories and much the better of your visit. Let us all try to travel safely on the roads at this very busy time.

**THE ANNUAL ONE-DAY RETREAT/PILGRIMAGE TO LOUGH DERG** can take place again this year if there is sufficient interest. A minimum of twenty people would be needed to make it viable. Possible dates might be Monday 15<sup>th</sup> or Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> September. The cost of the of the actual Retreat in Lough Derg is €27 per person. The overall cost will be given later and the arrangements if there is sufficient interest.

**THE ANNUAL ALTAR SERVERS OUTING** will take place this year on Monday next 25<sup>th</sup> August. It will be presumed that all Altar Servers are travelling unless they indicate otherwise. The group will be accompanied by a number of adults. Travel, activities and food will be looked after. All that is needed is some money for shopping etc. **The bus will collect those getting on at Callow Church at 8.15 a.m. and at Killasser Church at 8.30 a.m.**

**TO CELEBRATE THE JUBILEES OF THEIR PRIESTHOOD** Fr. Jimmy O'Grady, Carroweena and Los Angeles, celebrated the 11.30 a.m. Mass in Killasser Church on Sunday last 17<sup>th</sup> August to mark the Golden Jubilee of his Ordination to the Priesthood. Unfortunately Fr. Michael McManus, who is celebrating his Diamond Jubilee was unable to be present. A large gathering of people attended this special Mass and the reception that was held afterwards in Killasser Community Centre. Refreshments were served and a special jubilee cake was cut by Fr. O'Grady to mark the occasion. A presentation was then made to Fr. Jimmy from the parish. Sincere thanks to everyone who organised the reception. Thanks also to Louis McNulty for taking so many photographs many of which can now be seen on the Killasser Website on [www.killasser.com](http://www.killasser.com). We wish Fr. O'Grady and Fr. McManus every blessing and happiness for the future.

**A CAKE SALE** will be held on Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> August in Scoil Muire agus Padraig, Swinford after all Masses. It is being organised by Anne Marie Flatley, Staff Nurse, Aras Attracta, Swinford. Proceeds are in aid of The Niall Mellon Township Trust, Cape Town, South Africa. Your support will be very much appreciated.

**THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND** will be visited on Thursday next 28<sup>th</sup> August at the usual time. If there is anybody not on the list that would like to be visited you should contact Fr. O'Mahony.

**KILLASSER AND CARRAMORE NATIONAL SCHOOLS** will re-open on Monday week 1<sup>st</sup> September. Hopefully children and teachers will enjoy the final week of the holiday.

**SCOIL MUIRE AGUS PADRAIG SWINFORD AND ST. JOSEPH'S SECONDARY SCHOOL FOXFORD** re-open during the coming week. We wish pupils and teachers a successful and enjoyable school year 2008/2009.

**A KILLASSER COMMUNITY CENTRE COMMITTEE MEETING** will be held on Tuesday evening next 26<sup>th</sup> August at 8.30 p.m. All committee members are encouraged to attend.

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**PRAY FOR** Michael and Catherine Ruane, Bokeen, Sunday 10 a.m.  
 People of the Parish, Sunday 11.30 a.m.  
 Tommy Rowley and Parents Tom and Catherine Rowley, Cloonfinnish and Michael and Ellen McLoughlin, Doontas, Saturday 8 p.m.  
 Deceased Members of the McLoughlin, Derreen and the Kneafsey Family, Culdalee, Saturday 8 p.m.

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