

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'*

A SENSE OF PERSPECTIVE:

In these times when family tends to live further apart, it is good to meet. Sadly, it is all too often at the time of a death, at their funeral. We comment on it, saying we shouldn't wait for a funeral to bring us together. Then we go our separate ways, until of course the next funeral - or wedding.

Conversations at such times can be a bit bizarre. Everything from property, to the price of things, but precious little about life, living and dying. It is our secret, unnamed fear - that despite all, we will die. In our cash-rich, time-poor generation we have pushed this question to the side. We are reaching a point when we know that while poverty is bad, wealth has its responsibilities. It won't satisfy your spiritual hunger. The rootlessness and lack of meaning at the heart of so much of what we give our time to is spawning a sense of unease and disillusionment. So, let's not be too hard on the disciples of Jesus with their internal 'who is the greatest' power struggle, as they accompany him to Jerusalem and the place of crucifixion. We have all been there.

In Christ, men and women down the centuries have found someone great enough to live for and something worth dying for. Will we?

(Fr. Tom Cox - Intercom - September 2006)

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK

MASSES CALLOW - Thursday 9.30 a.m. / Sunday 10 a.m.

KILLASSER - Friday 10a.m. / Saturday 8 p.m.

MINISTERS OF THE WORD NEXT WEEK:

MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST NEXT WEEK:

Saturday 8 p.m. Claire Stenson.

Saturday 8 p.m. Mary Marren and Sr. Margaret.

Sunday 10 a.m. Micheal Murphy

Sunday 10 a.m. Mary McNulty.

Sunday 11.30 a.m. Teresa Hennigan.

Sunday 11.30 a.m. Bridie Sheerin.

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL - KILLASSER: CALLOW

Saturday 8 p.m. Rachael McDonnell

Sunday 11.30 a.m. Ronan Carr

Sunday 10 a.m. Kevin Gallagher.

ALTAR SERVERS FOR KILLASSER CHURCH NEXT WEEK:

Saturday 30th September 8 p.m. Rachael McDonnell Amy Hussey Colin Hughes
Niall Armstrong.

Sunday 1st October 11.30 a.m.

Eoin Gallagher Aileen Gallagher Kevin Hennigan

Christina Durkin.

OFFERTORY PROCESSION NEXT WEEK:

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

Sunday 10 a.m. The Fox Family (Coolegrane).

Sunday 11.30 a.m. The Ruddy Family (Cullen)

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

BROADBAND FOR KILLASSER/CALLOW is possible if there is sufficient interest. It can be viable if there are at least twenty interested subscribers. If you are interested, you can contact Gerry Cronnolly on 086-2546579.

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

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 / €200 €€h donation were received recently. Other donations of any amount will always be welcome.

FEAST DAYS: Monday - St. Finbar Friday - Sts. Michael, Gabriel and Raphael.

Wednesday - St. Vincent de Paul Saturday - St. Jerome.

KILLASSER PARISH DIRECTORY: Some copies will be left at the Church doors. If they are not there and you wish to have a copy, call to the sacristy or contact any member of the Parish Pastoral Council

COMPUTER-BASED BUSINESS/TOURISM STUDIES COURSE FOR UNEMPLOYED ADULTS: If you are interested in returning to Education, improving your employment prospects, why not enrol on the Computer-based Business/Tourism Studies Course at the Further Education Centre, Swinford which is due to commence in September 2006. The Course is free. Eligible participants are paid an allowance equivalent to a full Social Welfare payment plus meal and travel allowances. Childcare support may be available. For further information contact Amanda in Swinford 094-9251928.

WEST OF IRELAND PILGRIMAGE TO FATIMA under the patronage of Bishop Flynn and Spiritual Director, Fr. John Maloney, from 10th - 17th October 2006, including the Ceremonies marking the 89th Anniversary of the 6th. Apparition. Seven Nights full board in the Avenida Hotel, price €834, departs from Ireland West Airport, Knock. For further details contact Nancy Surlis 086-8185153.

THE ONE DAY PILGRIMAGE TO LOUGH DERG took place on Wednesday last. Twenty people travelled and had a very good day spiritually and socially. About 400 people were on pilgrimage in Lough Derg from all around the country on Wednesday. Sincere thanks to everyone who travelled and hopefully we can make the journey again next year.

GOSPEL AND COUNTRY CONCERT WITH JAMES KILBANE AND LOCAL TENOR KIERAN LUNDY in St. Brigid's Hall, Tubbercurry on Wednesday 4th October at 8.00 p.m. This Concert is in aid of Curry Church Renovation Fund. Tickets are only €10 from Durkin's and Howley's, Curry, Surlis's Supervalu, Barry's Pharmacy, Gillespie's Menswear, Tubbercurry and Veritas, Sligo.

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THE SLIGO FAMILY RESOURCE CENTRE invites Birth Parents who have placed children for adoption to attend a support Meeting. The aim of the meeting is to provide a place of safety where issues can be discussed in confidence. Futher information from - Elizabeth King, Sligo Family Resource Centre on 071-9146315. or Sheila Gallagher, Social Worker on 071-9143058 or Aisling Ryan, Mayo Social Worker on 094-9042511.

FURTHER EDUCATION CENTRE KILTIMAGH: Finished School early? Are you interested in learning new skills or gaining a qualification? Aged 15 - 20? Why not join Youthreach? Skills include - Carpentry, Hotel and Catering, Spanish, Metal Work, Welding, Car Mechanics, English, IT. , Literacy/Numeracy, Maths, Art, Childcare, Work Experience, Hair and Beauty. All trainees will receive a training allowance for attending the course. A childcare allowance is also provided. For further information contact Amanda or Conor on 094-9381338.

FOSTER HOME NEEDED for an 11 year old boy who is at present on a special programme dealing with difficulties from his early childhood. A high level of support and training is available to the prospective foster parents. Contact Fidelma Ruddy, 'Foster Resource worker' on 094-9042283.

WELCOMING THE STRANGER - THE PASTORAL CARE OF OUR MIGRANTS: This is the title of a One Day Conference organised by the Western Theological Institute to be held in Knock House Hotel on Thursday next 28th September from 10.30 a.m. - 4.50 p.m. Several Parishes in the West have significant numbers of migrants, workers and refugees, but as yet there is no comprehensive response in place to minister to these people. It is hoped that this day will present some helpful information and explore possible ways for reaching out pastorally to these people. The Conference will cost €60. Early Booking is recommended to The Secretary, The Western Theological Institute, 16 University Road, Galway - 091-581711. If you are interested you can also contact Fr. O'Mahony.

WATERPOINT ENNISCROME LEISURE: Up to 25% Off Membership at Waterpoint. All past members who join up during September will receive this offer.

SWIM LESSONS AT WATERPOINT ENNISCROME: Adults and Children Swim Lessons are starting in September at Waterpoint, Enniscrone. For more details contact Waterpoint at 096-36999.

THE FOXFORD CHURCH OF IRELAND HARVEST SERVICE will take place on Sunday 1st October at 7 p.m. The Preacher will be Canon Robert Howanrd, Hillsboro, Co. Down. Everyone is welcome to attend.

FAS EVENING COURSES commence on Thursday 28th September and Tuesday 3rd October at the FAS Training Centre, Ballina. They are the following: Introduction to Computers, SAGE Accounts and Payroll, Introduction to Internet/E-mail, Basic Arc Welding, Improver Welding, Interior Design, Roofing (Cutting and Calculating) and Occupational First Aid. **Enrolment Evening 21st September at 7.00 p.m. For further information contact FAS at 096-24017.**

HOW TO GET TO THE EUREKA MOMENT: Do you want to be your own boss but don't have a business idea? Do you have the dream and the desire but not the business concept? Workshop to be held on 25th September. To register your interest and reserve your place on the course contact Anne Marie Carroll or Brendan O'Shea on 094-9381494. The project is being supported by your East Mayo LDP and Leader+ Programmes.

MARKETING CAN BUILD YOUR BUSINESS: Practical exercises to help you discover how effective marketing can help you grow your business. Workshop to be held on October 9th 2006. To register your interest and reserve your place on the course, contact Anne Marie Carroll or Brendan O'Shea on 094-9381494. Participants should be currently running a business. The project is being supported by your East Mayo LDP and Leader+ Programmes.

A HARVEST FAIR IN AID OF THE LEUKAEMIA RESEARCH FUND will be held in Killasser Community Centre on Sunday next 1st October after 11.30 a.m. Mass. Donations of all home and garden produce will be welcome. Items that are welcome include Vegetables, Potatoes, Eggs, Jams, Cakes, Shrubs, Plants etc. etc. You can leave items at the Community Centre on Saturday evening next between 7 - 8 p.m. or before 11.30 a.m. Mass on Sunday. For more information, contact Noreen Shovlin on 094-9252237.

RUBY WEDDING ANNIVERSARY: Congratulations to Noel and Mary Filan, Dunmaynor, who celebrated their 40th Wedding Anniversary in August. We wish them both many more years of good health and happiness.

CARRAMORE NATIONAL SCHOOL - NEW PUPILS FOR SCHOOL YEAR 2006/2007:
The following children have begun their education in Carramore National School on Thursday 31st August.

JUNIOR INFANTS: Sean Edwards (Cartron) Maeve Ward (Doontas) Brandon Doherty (Carramore)
Shane Ginty (Treenreevagh)
FIRST CLASS: Saoirse Ward (Doontas)
SECOND CLASS: Fiachra Ward (Doontas)
FOURTH CLASS: Jamie Connolly (Swinford)
FIFTH CLASS: Cormac Ward (Doontas)
SIXTH CLASS: Caoimhe Ward (Doontas)

We welcome these new pupils and wish them a very happy and successful time in school.

PARISH RENEWAL AND DEVELOPMENT: Well-known writer and lecturer Martin Kennedy, will speak in the Fr. Peyton Centre, Attymass on Thursday 5th October at 8.00 p.m. The title of his talk is 'Parish Renewal and Development' This talk will be of general interest to all parishioners and of special interest to members of Parish Pastoral Councils. Do consider participating.

THE OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR 16th September amounted to €835.

'DO THIS IN MEMORY' is the programme of preparation for First Confessions and First Communion, for the children in Second Class in Carramore and Killasser National Schools, for their Parents and Family Members and for the Community generally. It was very successful last year and we hope it can be as successful and enjoyable this year. There will be a meeting of all parents of children in Second Class on Monday 2nd October in Killasser Community Centre at 8.30 p.m. This will be an opportunity to discuss the programme and get some information.

A KILLASSER/CALLOW PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING will be held on Wednesday Night next 27th September at 8.30 p.m. in Callow Church. All members are encouraged to attend.

VISITING THE AMERICAN AMBASSADOR: The Children from 3rd Class upwards in Carramore and Killasser National Schools, their Teachers and a number of Adults have been invited by Mr. James Kenny, American Ambassador to Ireland, to visit his residence in the Phoenix Park, Dublin on Tuesday next 26th September. We are most grateful for this invitation and everyone is looking forward to meeting him again. Mr. Kenny visited Killasser last September, where his Great Grandfather emigrated from in 1907. Sincere thanks in particular to Tom Hennigan who has been very much at the centre of the organisation of this visit. Those travelling will also visit the Dáil and the National Museum as well as seeing other important historical landmarks along the way. Wishing everyone an enjoyable day and a safe journey.

THE ALL-IRELAND SENIOR FOOTBALL FINAL - MAYO V KERRY on Sunday last in Croke Park, didn't turn out as we had hoped. Nobody will be more disappointed than the players and their families who have put in such a tremendous effort since the beginning of the year. Naturally every supporter is also bitterly disappointed. Apart from last Sunday we had a wonderful year's football, the highlight being the semi-final win over Dublin. As we have congratulated David Heaney and all the team during the year, we commiserate with them now as

they and all of us try to get our spirits up again. Above all, we thank them for the wonderful entertainment they have given us this Summer especially and we hope they can do so again next year.

TWO LARGE SETEES FOR SALE: For further information contact Valerie Day on 087-7874234.

PRAY FOR Tom Horkan and Parents Pat and Nora, Blackpatch, Saturday 8 p.m.
Elizabeth Barker, Cartron, Saturday 8 p.m.
Bernie Groarke, Carrowleambeg, Saturday 8 p.m.
Michael and Kate Igoe, Cullenaughton, Sunday 10 a.m.
Mary Ligas (Nee Ruane), Cullenaughton, 10 a.m.
People of the Parish, Sunday 11.30 a.m.
Eamonn Doyle, Treenreevagh and Deceased Members of Doyle and Mulroy Families,
Saturday 8 p.m.
Catherine and Michael Stenson, Carrowleambeg, Saturday 8 p.m.
Joe and Kevin Barry, Carramore and Deceased Family Members, Saturday 8 p.m.
Mary and John Kerrane, Aclare, Saturday 8 p.m.
John Fox, Coolegrane, Sunday 1st October 10 a.m.
Jim Mooney, Graffy and deceased family members, Sunday 1st October 10 a.m.

May Niland, Galway, Sister of the late Tom McNulty, Lahardane, who died in Galway on Wednesday last Her funeral Mass was celebrated on Friday last in Galway.

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE.
