

St. Peter and Paul's Church, Ballymacward.

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- Saturday 5th. **Vigil Mass at 7pm. SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT.**
Thomas Mitchell, Liscune (Anniv)
Evelyn Gavin, Attyregan (6th. Anniv)
John, Martin, Delia, and Nonia Carr, Lisheen (Anniv)
Pete Conheeney, and Michael Conheeney Annagh (7th. and 66th. Anniv)
J.P. Kelly, Clongowna (28th. Anniv)
- Monday 7th. **Vigil Mass at 7pm. FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY.**
Phil Tannian, Ashfield (3rd. Anniv)
Frank Kitt, Clongowna (33rd. Anniv)
- Tuesday 8th. **Mass at 9am. FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY.**
- Friday 11th. **NO MASS IN EITHER BALLYMACWARD OR GURTEEN.**
- Saturday 12th. **Vigil Mass at 7pm. THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT. (GAUDETE SUNDAY)**
Mary and Bertie Madden, Alloon (4th. and 45th. Anniv)
Paddy, Phil and Martin Murray, Liscune (Anniv) and deceased members of the Murray family.
Joe and Nancy Kelly, Ballymacward Village (9th. and 8th. Anniv)
Kathleen, Michael and James McGuire, Hampstead (7th., 10th. & 10th. Anniv)

R.I.P.: Your prayers are requested for John Kelly (Feeney) Whitepark, who died during the week.

PARISH WEBCAM: The Parish webcam is now up and running for all Masses from both BALLYMAC., & GURTEEN. Click on the Parish website, Mass live on Youtube.

READER FOR DECEMBER: LISA FINN.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS DECEMBER:

SEAN HOGAN & MARY JENKINS LALLY (5th., 7th. (Eve of Holy Day) 19th. & 25th.)
JOE MURRAY & MARY HYNES (12th., 24th. (Christmas Eve) & 26th.)

ESKER ANNUAL HEALING MISSION 2020- Is online this year. Starting this **Monday December 7th** until **Friday 11th** daily at 8pm. For Info. www.redemptoristsesker.ie or 091 844549. Log into www.eskerreds.ie or <https://www.churchservices.tv/esker>

Local Saint Vincent De Paul Due to Covid 19 restrictions we will not be having any Church Gate Collections this year . Due to the times that are in it , people's needs are greater than ever this Christmas .We would therefore ask the Public to put their donations in an envelope addressed to the Local Saint Vincent De Paul , and leave them in at Mass times . Alternatively you may leave the envelopes into the Parochial House, or give them personally to Priest. We really appreciate the great support which we received in the past.

Our local Help Line Number is 0851846866.

Fr. Michael Griffin Memorial Church, Gurteen.

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Sunday 6th. Mass at 11am. SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT.

James Molloy, Faha (25th. Anniv)

Sean and Bridget Lally, Colemanstown (Anniv)

Tom Healy, Liscune (3rd. Anniv)

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OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY.

Friday 11th. NO MASS IN EITHER BALLYMACWARD OR GURTEEN.

Sunday 13th. Mass at 11am. THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT.

(GAUDETE SUNDAY)

Maura O'Connor, Tample (1st. Anniv)

Jimmy and Evelyn Qualter, Tample (3rd. and 8th. Anniv)

2021 CHURCH ENVELOPES: Envelopes are available for collection in the Church.

Dear Parishioners.

We have moved back to Level 3 and while our Churches are open for Mass again the obligation to attend continues to be suspended to promote people's safety. People are encouraged to wear face masks in Church. Only fifty people can attend Mass indoors and twenty-five for funerals and weddings. Christmas approaches and it is a special time: in order to facilitate people, it is proposed to have extra Masses in Ballymacward and Gurteen in the days before and after Christmas. It is all very different yet we try to do our best to care for everyone. I thank you for your patience and fortitude as we manage this. I can make house calls to the elderly and sick at any time, please let me know.

Fr. Sweeney.

The following is the list of monies received between the 9th NOV. & the 30TH. NOV.

Weekly Envelopes.	€839.05	Weekly Envelopes	€428.00
Shrines.	€274.30	Shrines	€ 79.10
Priests Autumn	€ 95.00	Priests Autumn	€ 60.00
Priests Summer	€ 45.00	Priests Summer	€ 30.00
Priests Easter	€ 45.00	Missions.	€115.00
MISC.	€ 5.00	MISC.	€ 25.00
Missions.	€ 15.00	Missions.	€ 30.00
All Saints	€ 62.00	All Saints	€00
All Souls	€113.00	All Souls	€ 50.00
Lenten	€ 18.00	Lenten	€00
Priests Retirement	€ 5.00	Priests Retirement	€00
Popes	€ 15.00	Popes	€ 10.00

PADRAIG PEARSES: A.G.M. CANCELLED until further notice. NO Jackpot winner.
Full details next week/limited room this week/those getting email getting full details.

PADRAIG PEARSES GAA CLUB. RESULTS OF THE LOTTO DRAW WHICH TOOK PLACE ON MONDAY 30th. NOVEMBER. WINNING No.'s 5,17,25,29 - No Winner. & TWO MATCH 3s. WINNERS - TOMMY FAHY, & DERMOT BYRNES. NEXT WEEK'S DRAW TAKES PLACE ON MONDAY NIGHT 7th. OF DECEMBER FOR A JACKPOT OF €10,100 IN THE CLUBHOUSE. WHY NOT PLAY LOTTO ONLINE @ bit.ly/30J9HcT.

NOTE: THE A.G.M. POSTPONED to a later date due to ongoing Covid 19 restrictions.

Online Advent Scripture Sharing Groups meeting on Sundays of Advent 7.30 - 8.10 pm and Thursdays of Advent, 11 – 11-40am
More details @ www.creideamh.ie/advent . All welcome.

Online Holy Hour for Refugees & Asylum Seekers, 8 to 9 pm, Monday 14th December. See www.creideamh.ie/refugee-prayer . All welcome to participate.

Dear Parishioner,

Our parish as a charitable institution can claim back tax on contributions received each year. If you contribute in total €250 or more during the year a percentage can be claimed back from Revenue. All that is needed is for you to complete a CHY Enduring Certificate which is good for five years. These forms are available from the parish office and can be posted to you.

This is a very worthwhile scheme that is operated by many parishes in the country and could be a good source of revenue for the parish especially at this time. I wish to express sincere thanks to everyone for your contribution to the upkeep of our parish.

Yours Faithfully, Fr. Raymond Sweeney