

St. Peter and Paul's Church, Ballymacward.

(Listen to Mass at 101.4 fm)

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Saturday 27th. **Vigil Mass at 7pm. PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORDS PASSION.**
Palms will be Blessed at this Mass, and will be available, together with a special prayer card for collection from Sunday morning onwards.

The deceased members of the Ward family, Alloon.

Michael and Mary Ellen Cooke, Keave (Anniv)

Patsy Keane (Nee Cooke) (Anniv).

John and Margaret Tannian, Ballinastack (Anniv)

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Dick and Rita Behan, Alloon (Anniv)

Michael, Bridget and J.G. Queeney, Mounthazel (29th. 31st. and 13th. Anniv)

R.I.P.: Your prayers are requested for Patrick (Paddy) Hyland, Shrule, Brother of Joan Tannian, Ballinastack, who died during the week.

NOTE: Summertime begins TONIGHT Mar. 27th. (Clocks go forward 1 Hour)

MASS TIMES: Vigil Mass in Ballymacward, will be at **8pm.** for the Summer Months commencing with the Mass of the Lords Supper on Holy Thursday (1st. April)

NOTE TO THE HOUSEBOUND: If you have received your second Covid vaccination, and would like Fr. Sweeney to resume calling on the First Friday's, please let him know.

PADRAIG PEARSES GAA CLUB. RESULTS OF THE LOTTO DRAW WHICH TOOK PLACE ON MONDAY 22nd. MARCH. WINNING No.'s 5,10,20,29 - NO Winner & 3 MATCH 3s. GERETTE O'BRIEN, KEVIN HYNES, & MADBH PARKER. NEXT WEEK'S DRAW TAKES PLACE ON MONDAY NIGHT 29th. MARCH FOR A JACKPOT OF €2,400 IN THE CLUBHOUSE. Play the Lotto @bit.ly/30J9HcT

BINGO:

Our third night of online Bingo takes place this Sunday evening @ **8PM. SHARP.** You can register for the game @ <http://bit.ly/PearsesBingo>. Alternatively there will be a limited number of printed tickets available on Sunday morning as follows:

10am - 11am MITCHELL'S GURTEEN.

11am - 12pm CLUBHOUSE IN BALLYMACWARD.

Michael Griffin Memorial Church, Gurteen.

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Sunday 28th. Mass at **10am**. PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORDS PASSION.
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Mass for the People of the Parish.

Sunday 4th. Mass at **10am**. EASTER SUNDAY.
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MASS TIMES: SUNDAY MASS in Gurteen, will be at 10am. for the Summer Months commencing this SUNDAY 28th. MARCH, (PALM SUNDAY)

NOTE: Due to the continuing Pandemic, the Diocese has issued the following guidelines for the Easter Ceremonies 2021. There will be NO public celebration of the ceremonies, the Priest will conduct the ceremonies in a shortened format, in private in the Parish Church, and the parishioners are invited to join in by listening on the Parish Radio. (101.4fm) or view on THE WEB.

CHURCH COLLECTIONS:

COUNT FOR MONIES RECEIVED FROM the 26/02/2021 to 22/03/2021

BALLYMACWARD.

Envelopes.	€1,000.65
Priests Easter	€ 140.00
Priests Summer	€0.00
Priests Autumn	€ 35.00
Priests Christmas	€ 65.00
Holy Days.	€ 118.50
Missions.	€0.00
All Souls	€ 10.00
Christmas Day	€ 10.00
Donations	€ 650.00
Shrines	€ 306.42
Popes	€0.00
Lenten	€ 250.00
Emigrants	€ 35.00
Lourdes	€ 88.30
Holy Places	€ 10.00

GURTEEN.

Weekly Envelopes	€567.00
Priests Easter	€0.00
Priests Summer	€0.00
Priests Autumn	€0.00
Priests Christmas	€0.00
Holy Days	€ 15.00
Missions.	€0.00
All Souls	€0.00
Christmas Day	€0.00
Donations	€0.00
Shrines	€ 96.76
Popes	€0.00
Lenten	€110.00
Emigrants	€ 10.00
Lourdes	€ 20.00
Holy Places	€0.00

TROCAIRE: Some monies have been received for Trocaire, but are NOT included in this weeks count, they will be included in the count immediately after EASTER.

Holy Week 2021

For Christians, Holy Week is the most important week of the year. Holy Week lasts from Palm Sunday until Easter Sunday and reaches its highpoint in what we call the Easter Triduum those three great days from the evening Mass of the Lord's Supper to Evening Prayer on Easter Sunday. Reflecting on the Scriptures and turning to ritual and symbols, Christians throughout the world, journey with Jesus through those final days of his life, his passion, his death and resurrection. In the process, we experience God's redemptive presence, our faith is deepened, our hope is renewed and our commitment to living a life of love of God and one another is strengthened.

Opportunities in Holy Week 2021

Once again, our celebration of Holy Week and Easter this year will be very different due to the restrictions in place because of the Covid-19 Pandemic. As a Christian Community we cannot gather together for our usual religious services. This should not prevent us from uniting spiritually and taking time to pray, to reflect and to make this Holy Week a truly enriching experience of the presence of God in our lives.

- Join in the Holy Week Ceremonies by means of the internet or television and radio broadcasts.
- Download from our Diocesan Website www.clonfertdiocese.ie Bringing Holy Week Home 2021: A Palm Sunday to Easter Sunday Companion. This guide is to assist us in walking the journey of Holy Week 2021 together, even if we must be apart. It is designed as a companion to broadcast services and to support prayer at home.
- Visit your local church on Palm Sunday to collect safely palm and a Prayer Card, which can be used at home.
- Visit your local church on Good Friday to pray privately the Stations of the Cross.
- Visit your local church on Easter Sunday to collect safely perhaps some Holy Water and a Prayer Card, which can be used at home.

Remember that when we celebrate the liturgy in these difficult times, it is good to remember that even if we are alone in our homes we are celebrating in communion with the whole Church, for the whole Church, and indeed with the whole world

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Televised Mass or Mass via Webcam

Weekday Mass: Broadcast by webcam every day from St Brendan's Cathedral Loughrea at 11am and 8pm and on RTE news now at 10.30am

Sunday Mass: Mass is available every Saturday evening at 8pm and Sunday at 10am and 12 noon from Loughrea Cathedral via webcam at www.loughreacathedral.ie

"We are with you"

The Diocese of Clonfert has launched "We are with you": a prayer initiative for the deceased and their families in these difficult times. See www.clonfertdiocese.ie

Keeping Connected

Why not visit Clonfert Diocese Facebook Page or follow on Clonfert Diocese Twitter.

HOLY WEEK CEREMONIES:

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or

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