

, St. Peter and Paul's Church, Ballymacward.

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Saturday 1<sup>st</sup>. **Vigil Mass @ 8pm. FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER.**

Laurence Barrett, Liscune (2<sup>nd</sup>. Anniv)

Mary and Imelda Noonan, (Anniv)

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup>. **Mass at 9am.** Joe Kelly, Esker (34<sup>th</sup>. Anniv)

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup>. **Mass at 9am.**

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup>. **Mass at 9am.**

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup>. **Mass at 9am.**

Friday 7<sup>th</sup>. **Mass at 9am. FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH.**

**Friday 7<sup>th</sup>. NO EVENING MASS.**

Saturday 8<sup>th</sup>. **Vigil Mass @ 8pm. SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER.**

Biddy Kenny, Ballinlough (2<sup>nd</sup>.Anniv)

Michael Naughton, Corskeagh (17<sup>th</sup>. Anniv)

**NOTE: THERE WILL BE MASS EACH WEEKDAY MORNING @ 9am FOR THE MONTH OF MAY.**

**R.I.P.:** Your prayers are requested for Tom Joe Scarry, U.S.A., Brother of Martin Scarry, Attyregan, who died in the past week.

**READER FOR THE MONTH OF MAY: ROSE LYDON**

**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.

**Increase in Number of Mourners at Funerals**

From Monday 26<sup>th</sup> April 2020, the government has increased the number of mourners allowed at funerals to 25 people.

**CANCELLATION OF DIOCESAN LOURDES PILGRIMAGE 2021.**

Sadly, the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes that was scheuled for 17th to 22nd August 2021 has been cancelled. We will let you know as soon as we get dates for the 2022 pilgrimage

**PADRAIG PEARSES GAA CLUB. RESULTS OF THE LOTTO DRAW WHICH TOOK PLACE ON MONDAY 19<sup>th</sup>. APRIL. WINNING No.'s 6,8,16,27- NO Winner & NO MATCH 3. NEXT WEEK'S DRAW TAKES PLACE ON MONDAY NIGHT 3<sup>rd</sup>. MAY FOR A JACKPOT OF €2,900 IN THE CLUBHOUSE. Play the Lotto @[bit.ly/30J9HcT](http://bit.ly/30J9HcT)**

**Michael Griffin Memorial Church, Gurteen.**

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Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup>. Mass at **10am**. **FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER.**

Owen Cunniffie, Attymany (Anniv)

Freddie Hardiman, Clough (12<sup>th</sup>. Anniv)

Friday 7<sup>th</sup>. Mass at **8pm**. **FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH.**

**Mattie King, Gurteen (Months Mind)**

Sunday 9<sup>th</sup>. Mass at **10am**. **SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER.**

Mass for the People of the Parish.

**CHURCH COLLECTIONS: No count was done in the past week, figures for monies received will be published later in the month. Thank you.**

### **Our Lady of Clonfert Church**

**Our Lady of Clonfert Church will be open daily for the month of May from 7.00am to 11.00pm. Daily Mass Monday – Saturday at 8.00pm and Sunday at 10.30am. Mass will be livestreamed on churchservices.tv**

### **REMEMBERING LOVED ONES: ( (Memorial SlideShow)**

**In the last year or so many of us have lost a loved one or may know someone who has and we want to help.**

**All the restrictions have made it very difficult to express our feelings of love & loss in a traditional way so we wanted to offer to create a Memorial Slideshow to try and help our customers and/or their family of friends.**

**This service is free of charge, all you have to do is send us a few photos (Up about 25 images maximum) via Google Drive, Email or Whats App as well as the name of the person who has passed away and the date of birth and death and we will do the rest. We will create and send you a lovely slideshow, yours to keep and share as you wish.**

**All the best, Brad Anderson [\(087\)9868466](tel:0879868466)**

### **Care Homes Community Focus**

**Community is about reaching out with compassion, staying connected and sending love to each other. That's why at An Post, you can now send love to communities living in care homes across Ireland with free postage. Recognising the increased restrictions in nursing homes across the country and to bring a little joy, An Post will ensure free delivery of all card and letter mail posted to and from residents of Nursing and Care homes in the State until May 31st 2021. By writing FREEPOST where the stamp would normally be affixed, An Post will carry cards, letters large envelopes and packets weighing up to 2KG without a postage stamp. Customers can send these items through the Post Office network and post boxes across Ireland.**

## **SAINT KERRILL'S ABBEY:**

*Gurteen Community Council is intending to apply for grant funding from the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage under the Community Monuments Fund for the conservation of St. Kerrill's Abbey. If successful, the grant would provide 100% funding for the employment of a team of qualified archaeologists, conservation architects, engineers and ecologists to prepare a plan for the long term conservation and preservation of the Abbey. It is intended that the Conservation Management Plan would provide a roadmap for the undertaking of necessary works to protect the Abbey and to prevent it's further deterioration over the coming years. The Community Council has set up a sub-committee to manage the grant application (St. Kerrill's Heritage Committee). This sub-committee has undertaken extensive consultation with Galway County Council and is confident that a strong application can be made. If you would like to find out more about this project or have any questions, please contact the St. Kerrill's Heritage Committee via Pat Roberts on 0876167704.*