

St. Peter and Paul's Church, Ballymacward.

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Saturday 28th. Vigil Mass @ 8pm. TWENTY SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME.

Margaret Fahy, Lisloughlin (1st. Anniv)

**P.J. Byrnes, Liscuib (30th. Anniv) and the deceased members
of the Byrnes family.**

Monday 30th. Mass at 9am.

Tuesday 31st. Mass at 9am. The deceased members of the Barrett and Kennedy families.

NO MASS WEDNESDAY/THURSDAY or FRIDAY MORNING.

Friday 3rd. Mass at 7pm. FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH.

Anna Barrett (Months Mind)

Saturday 4th. Vigil Mass @ 8pm. TWENTY THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME.

Teresa Neill, Moylough/Annagh (4th. Anniv)

Jackie Neill, Annagh (Anniv)

John Jenkins, Ballinastack (31st. Anniv)

R.I.P.: Your prayers are requested for Mrs. Siobhan Keane, Mountbellew, Sister of Mary Ruane, Glentane, and for Mr. Michael Geraghty, Castleblakney, brother of the late Una Reilly, Woodlawn, who died in the past week.

READER FOR SEPTEMBER: AINE HILLARY/KELLY (4th. & 11th.)

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS SEPTEMBER: JOAN TANNIAN, CATRIONA HYNES
(4th. & 11th.)**

**NORA BARRET, TOMAS HILLARY
(18th. & 25th.)**

CHURCH COLLECTIONS:

BALLYMACWARD.

Weekly Envelopes.	€441.50
Loose Plate	€ 27.00
Priests Easter	€ 20.00
Priests Summer	€ 65.00
Popes	€ 10.00
Shrines	€245.53
Donations	€ 50.00
15th. August	€ 44.00

GURTEEN. (W/E 21/08/2021)

Weekly Envelopes	€216.00
Loose Plate	€ 10.00
Priests Easter	€.00
Priests Summer	€.00
Popes	€.00
Shrines	€.00
Donations	€.00
15th. August	€.00

BALLYMACWARD NATIONAL SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT:

A message to all parishioners and past pupils, please see the 'Go Fund Me' page for Ballymacward National School Development. Your support is welcomed and appreciated.

https://www.gofundme.com/f/ballymacward-ns-gp-room-and-canopy?utm_source=customer&utm_medium=copy_link&utm_campaign=p_cf+share-flow-1

Michael Griffin Memorial Church, Gurteen.

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Sunday 29th. **Mass @ 10am. TWENTY SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME.**
Margaret and Bernard Cunniffey, Attymany (Anniv)

Friday 3rd. **Mass at 8pm. FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH.**
Bridget O'Grady and Catherine Donnellan, Cappalusk, Anniv)

Sunday 5th. **Mass @ 10am. TWENTY THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME.**
John and Maria Keady, (Anniv)
John and Nora Lally, (Anniv)

PADRAIG PEARSES GAA CLUB. RESULTS OF THE LOTTO DRAW WHICH TOOK PLACE ON MONDAY 23rd. AUGUST. WINNING No.'s 8,17,24,26 - NO Winner & 1 MATCH 3's. CHLOE RUANE. NEXT WEEK'S DRAW TAKES PLACE ON MONDAY NIGHT 30th. AUGUST FOR A JACKPOT OF €2,200 IN THE CLUBHOUSE. Play the Lotto @bit.ly/ UNTIL 9pm MONDAY

Galway Centre for Independent Living: Galway Centre for Independent living have been supplying Caring/Assisting Services to older persons and persons with disabilities since 1994. Due to an increased demand for our services in Homecare and our Personal Assistance Service to People with disabilities we are now recruiting in your area. Please forward CV to vacancies@gcil.ie or contact Ann on 091-773910

WOODLAWN HERITAGE:

There are **FREE** Postcards available at the back of the Church to celebrate Heritage Week. They are of local interest and would be lovely for someone who is away from home to receive.

Lumen Dominican Centre

Registrations for Autumn 21 modules now open [Click here to download our Autumn 2021 brochure](#) If Government guidelines change and numbers are limited we will allocate places in the order in which bookings were received. So, register early just in case. Click on the link below to register www.lumenop.ie

Portumna Further Education, St. Brigid's Road H53 A263: Part time QQI courses in Healthcare, Horticulture, Tourism and Computers and Full time in Office Admin with Computers

Contact: [0860617945](tel:0860617945) or [0876699169](tel:0876699169) and enrol www.fetchcourses.ie

The Season of Creation 1st September to the 4th of October 2021

The Season of Creation is marked throughout the Christian world from 1 September to 4 October (Feast of Saint Francis of Assisi) and celebrates the joy of creation as well as encouraging awareness-raising initiatives to protect the natural environment. The theme for the Season of Creation 2021 is 'Restoring Our Common Home'. During this season we are asked to join together to celebrate creation and protect our common home through prayer, reflection and action. The global Christian family is called to awaken to the urgent need to heal our relationships with creation and with each other and to encourage our parish communities to do the same, "for we know that things can change!" (Laudato Si', 13).

A Prayer for Our Earth

All-powerful God, you are present in the whole universe and in the smallest of your creatures.

You embrace with your tenderness all that exists.

Pour out upon us the power of your love, that we may protect life and beauty.

Fill us with peace, that we may live
as brothers and sisters, harming no one.

O God of the poor,
help us to rescue the abandoned and forgotten of this earth, so precious in your eyes.

Bring healing to our lives,
that we may protect the world and not prey on it, that we may sow beauty, not
pollution and destruction.

Touch the hearts
of those who look only for gain
at the expense of the poor and the earth.

Teach us to discover the worth of each thing, to be filled with awe and
contemplation, to recognize that we are profoundly united with every creature as we
journey towards your infinite light.

We thank you for being with us each day.

Encourage us, we pray, in our struggle
for justice, love and peace.

Amen.

Renewing Our Commitment to Promoting the Dignity of Human Life

Loving Father!

You are the source of all that is:
our beginning and our end.

Pour out your Spirit upon us.

Form in us the mind of Christ.

Give us a greater appreciation for the precious gift of life.

Renew in us a commitment to building a community where every human life is
welcomed and valued

from the moment of conception
to the moment of natural death.

Draw near to those who are sick or dying.

Help those who love them and care for them.

Bless us now and at the hour of our death. Amen

Our Lady of Clonfert! Pray for us!

Prayer for Vocations

Lord of the Harvest,

bless young people in the Diocese of Clonfert with the gift of
courage to respond to your call of service.

Open their hearts to great ideals and wonderful things.

Inspire all of your disciples to mutual love and giving;
for vocations blossom in the rich soil of faithful people.

Inspire priests and religious, all our parishioners and families
with the confidence and grace to invite our young people
to consider the exciting and noble path of life dedicated and consecrated to You.

Unite us to Jesus

through prayer and sacrament,

so that we may cooperate

with you in building your kingdom of
mercy and truth, of justice and peace. Amen.

*Adapted from the Message of Pope Francis on the 51st World Day of Prayer for
Vocations.*