

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

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**Saturday 11<sup>th</sup>. Vigil Mass @ 8pm. TWENTY FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME.**

Peter and Mary Ann Conheaney, Annagh (Anniv)

Eugene Murphy, Whitepark (6<sup>th</sup>. Anniv)

Michael Kennedy, Bawnogues (14<sup>th</sup>. Anniv)

**Sunday 12<sup>th</sup>. WEDDING MASS @ 12-30pm.**

**Monday 13<sup>th</sup>. Mass at 9am.**

**Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup>. Mass at 9am.**

**NO MASS WEDNESDAY/THURSDAY or FRIDAY MORNING.**

**Friday 17<sup>th</sup>. Mass at 7pm. Alfie Noonan (Recently deceased)**

(Brother of Ann Dolan, Hampstead)

**Saturday 18<sup>th</sup>. Vigil Mass @ 8pm. TWENTY FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME.**

Michael and Mary Noone, Carhoon (Anniv)

George and Mary Walker, Ballinasloe (Anniv)

Paddy Flynn, Ballymacward (28<sup>th</sup>. Anniv)

Richard and Lucy Lally, MountVenture (Anniv)

**READER FOR SEPTEMBER: AINE KELLY**

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS SEPTEMBER: NORA BARRET, TOMAS HILLARY  
(18<sup>th</sup>. & 25<sup>th</sup>.)**

**CHURCH COLLECTIONS:**

**BALLYMACWARD.**

**GURTEEN.**

**(W/E 05/09/2021)**

**Weekly Envelopes. €475.50**

**Loose Plate € 10.05**

**Priests Summer € .00**

**Priests Autumn €100.00**

**15<sup>th</sup>. August € 10.00**

**Missions € 10.00**

**Shrines € .00**

**Weekly Envelopes €210.60**

**Loose Plate € 15.00**

**Priests Summer € 50.00**

**Priests Autumn € 25.00**

**15<sup>th</sup>. August € .00**

**Missions € .00**

**Shrines € 42.10**

**DōTERRA**

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Sunday 12<sup>th</sup>. **Mass @ 10am. TWENTY FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME.**  
Nora and John Dempsey, Colemanstown (5<sup>th</sup>. and 45<sup>th</sup>. Anniv)  
Eileen Ward, Cloonkeenerrill (34<sup>th</sup>. Anniv) and Baby Anna Ward, and the  
deceased members of the Ward family.  
James Corbett, Killuane (Anniv)

Friday 17<sup>th</sup>. **Mass at 8pm.**

Sunday 19<sup>th</sup>. **Mass @ 10am. TWENTY FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME.**  
The deceased members of the Cogavin family, Gurteen.

### **Guided Pilgrimages on the Lough Derg**

Pilgrim Path will be offered on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup>, Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> & Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> September and Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> October, with Mass outdoors, weather permitting. The full route is a 12km loop, with a shorter 8km option. Advance booking is essential. For further, information email [info@loughderg.org](mailto:info@loughderg.org) or, telephone 071 9861518 [www.loughderg.org](http://www.loughderg.org) Lough Derg Pilgrim Path, Pettigo, Co Donegal. F94 N289

### **PADRAIG PEARSES GAA CLUB. RESULTS OF THE LOTTO DRAW WHICH TOOK PLACE**

***ON MONDAY 6<sup>th</sup>. SEPTEMBER. WINNING No.'s 5,11,20,29 - NO Winner & 2 MATCH 3's.***

***JACINTA BRETT, & GABRIEL KING. NEXT WEEK'S DRAW TAKES PLACE ON MONDAY NIGHT***

***13<sup>th</sup>. SEPTEMBER FOR A JACKPOT OF €2,400 IN THE CLUBHOUSE. Play the Lotto @[bit.ly/](http://bit.ly/)***

***UNTIL 9pm MONDAY.***

### **JULY "250 CLUB DRAW"**

**€100 ALAN WALSH, €75 JOHNNY MURPHY, €50 P.J. WARD.**

### **Burren Weekend Retreat 24-26 September**

Would you like to come on a guided journey through the Burren? Experience the silence and beauty of this unique landscape through walking mindfully on ancient pathways or limestone pavements. Get to know some of the rare flora and appreciate our rich faith heritage in one of the many ancient sacred sites. Further information Noirin 087 945 9151 or Mary 087 970 1130

### **Holy Oils used in the Sacraments**

On Thursday last, the Priests of the Diocese gathered in the Cathedral with Bishop Michael to bless the Holy Oils of Chrism, Catechumens and the Sick which are used in the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, the Anointing of the Sick and Ordination to the priesthood. These newly blessed oils have now been distributed to our parishes for use. We pray for all those to be baptised, confirmed, and ordained and for those who may fall sick during the year.

## 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](http://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](http://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.*