

St. Peter and Paul's Church, Ballymacward.

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Saturday 4th. Vigil Mass @ 7pm. SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT.

Tom Healy, Liscune (4th. Anniv)

Evelyn Gavin, Attyregan (7th. Anniv)

Michael, Kathleen, and James McGuire, Hampstead

(11th. 8th. and 11th. Anniv)

John, Martin, Delia and Nonie Carr, Lisheen. (Anniv)

Peter and Michael Conheeney, Annagh (Anniv)

Monday 6th. Mass @ 9am.

Tuesday 7th. Vigil Mass @ 7pm. THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY.

Frank Kitt, Clongowna (Anniv)

Wednesday 8th. Mass @ 9am. THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY.

Patrick and Phil Tannian, Ashfield (Anniv)

Friday 10th. Mass @ 7pm. Special Intention.

Saturday 11th. Vigil Mass @ 7pm. THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT. (Gaudete Sunday)

Thomas Mitchell, Liscune (8th. Anniv)

Nancy and Joe Kelly, Ballymacward (10th. And 9th. Anniv)

Mary and Berti Madden, Alloon (5th. And 46th. Anniv)

2022 CHURCH ENVELOPES: The 2022 Church Envelopes are now available for collection/distribution. If you are not receiving a box and would like to contribute towards the upkeep/day to day running of our churches, please let Fr. Sweeney know.

Clonfert Diocese Collection for Covid-19 Vaccination Programme in Gedo Somalia

An enormous than you to the people of the Diocese who raised the incredible figure of €56,020.78 €1,000.00 contributed by the people of BALLYMACWARD/GURTEEN. For further info. on the use this money will be put to in Somalia visit Clonfert Diocese Facebook Page.

READER FOR DECEMBER:

LISA FINN.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS FOR DECEMBER:

SEAN HOGAN, MARY HYNES (4th., 7th. & 11th.) JOE MURRAY, MARY JENKINS LALLY. (18th., 24th. & 25th.)

PASTORAL COUNCILS: A meeting of the Pastoral Councils of the Ballinasloe Deanery, will take place Via ZOOM, on the 6th. of Dec. from 8pm - 9-15pm. This is due to the increasing number of Covid cases nationally. Would people interested in participating please contact Fr. Sweeney with their email address.

Mountbellew District Development CES CLG. Job Vacancy.

Nature conservation officer: Manages the local environment with an emphasis on preserving and protecting areas of natural beauty and sets targets to promote biodiversity.

Job description: Nature conservation officers manage the local environment with an emphasis on preserving and protecting areas of natural beauty, and setting targets to promote biodiversity. Also, litter picking, grass/hedge cutting, strimming, general maintenance of community area. In order to qualify for these positions, you need to be in receipt of a social welfare payment. for further details please contact Sean on 090 9679085 or email mountbellewdd@gmail.com.

Michael Griffin Memorial Church, Gurteen.

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Sunday 5th. **Mass @ 11am. SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT.**

James Molloy, Faha (26th. Anniv)

Pake Lyons, Shanballyeeshal (Anniv) and deceased members of the Lyons family.

Wednesday 8th. **Mass @ 8pm. THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY.**

Friday 10th. **Mass at 8pm.**

Sunday 12th. **Mass @ 11am. THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT. (Gaudete Sunday)**

Bridget and Sean Lally, Colemanstown (11th. and 33rd. Anniv)

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Wear a Face-Covering as an Act of Love for Others

We would ask all parishioners to wear a face-covering while in Church. Face-coverings are only effective if worn fully over the nose and mouth. Please continue to sanitise your hands with the sanitiser provided and practice social distancing while at Church. In these difficult days let us care for one another by adhering to these basic precautions.

CHURCH COLLECTIONS: BALLYMACWARD. GURTEEN. (W/E 27th./28th./11/2021)

W/Envelopes.	€497.90	W/Envelopes	€164.00
Loose Plate	€ 20.00	Loose Plate	€ 10.00
Priests Autumn	€ 50.00	Priests Autumn	€ .00
Priests Christmas	€ 50.00	Priests Christmas	€ .00
All Souls	€ 40.00	All Souls	€ 20.00
All Saints	€ 19.00	All Saints	€ .00
8 th . December	€ 2.00	8 th . December	€ .00
Missions	€ 25.00	Missions	€ .00
Holy Places	€ 10.00	Holy Places	€ .00
Shrines	€194.23	Shrines	€ .00
Trocaire	€ .00	Trocaire.	€ 21.85

PADRAIG PEARSES GAA CLUB. RESULTS OF THE LOTTO DRAW WHICH TOOK PLACE ON MONDAY 29th. NOVEMBER. WINNING No.'s 12,13,23,29- NO Winner & NO MATCH 3.s. NEXT WEEK'S DRAW TAKES PLACE ON MONDAY NIGHT 6th. DECEMBER FOR A JACKPOT OF €3,800 IN THE CLUBHOUSE. Play the Lotto @bit.ly/ UNTIL 9pm MONDAY.

Lough Derg online shop offers unique Christmas Cards, featuring scenes of the Island from across the centuries and bespoke Gifts including a limited edition Lough Derg Christmas Candle. Christmas Mass Bouquet Cards are also available – Fr La, Prior, will offer a triduum of Masses beginning on Christmas Eve for all those who are enrolled. Visit www.loughderg.live/shop Telephone 0(0353) 71 9861518 *Delivery nationwide and Click & Collect Service available.*

CHRISTMAS POSTING: Celsus and his postal team request that you post early for Christmas, in order to avoid a last minute rush. The following are the last posting dates for XMAS 2021. If ye post after these dates the Cards will be early for Christmas 2022.

IRELAND - DECEMBER 21st.

GREAT BRITIAN - DECEMBER 20th.

USA - DECEMBER 9th.

REST OF THE WORLD - DECEMBER 4th. (Not guaranteed to arrive on time after this date)