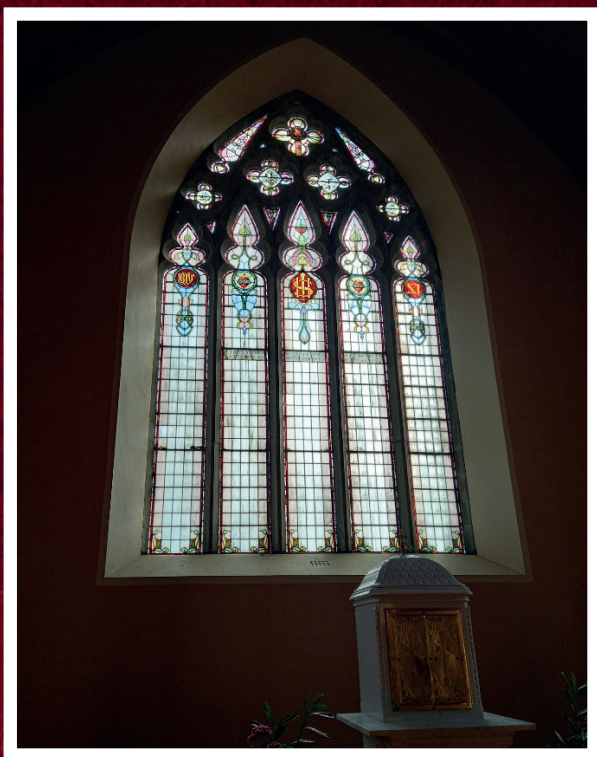


*St. Peter and Paul's
Church
Ballymacward*



*Window Restoration
— Project —*

Dear Friend,

For a number of years, we have been aware of the fragile state of the large window behind the Altar in St. Peter and Paul's Church, Ballymacward. The window has been in situ for over one hundred and twenty years. Its inscription bears dates of 1859 and 1879. It is currently protected by the outer layer of weather protection. Following discussions with the Parish Council and the Parish Finance Committee it is agreed that it needs our urgent attention.

In August 2021 Abbey-Stained Glass Studios carried out a detailed assessment of the window and identified that the lead holding the glass is perished and can crumble in your fingers. The report states 'it is a miracle that the Altar Window leaded panels have not come crashing down already'. It concludes that there is no easy remedy and it needs urgent attention. The five major windows have to be taken out together with the major tracery shapes. The total cost for this restoration and the supply of scaffolding will cost approximately €60,000. We are earnestly seeking your help in fundraising for this project.

Ways to donate include:

- 1. By Cheque to Ballymacward/Gurteen Parish Account.*
- 2. Donate to the Parish via the www.clonfertdiocese.ie website.*
- 3. Bank transfer to the parish:
IBAN IE16AIBK 9370 4527 6520 31*
- 4. By named envelope in the weekly church collection.*