

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

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- Saturday 29<sup>th</sup>. **Vigil Mass @ 7pm. FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME.**  
John and Ellen Hanlon, Annagh (Anniv)  
Willie and Eileen Connaughton, Drum (Anniv)  
Pat Murphy, Lisheen (Anniv) and the deceased members of the Murphy family Lisheen.  
Paddy and Rita O'Neill, Carrahulla, (Anniv) and the deceased members of the O'Neill family.
- Monday 31<sup>st</sup>. **Mass at 9am. Special Intention.**
- Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup>. **Mass at 9am. ST. BRIGIDS DAY.** Kevin Greaney, Ballygreaney (5<sup>th</sup>. Anniv)
- Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup>. **Mass at 9am. PRESENTATION OF THE LORD. (Candlemas Day)**
- Friday 4<sup>th</sup>. **Mass @ 7pm. FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH.**  
John and Catherine Brien, Esker (52<sup>nd</sup>. and 25<sup>th</sup>. Anniv)
- Saturday 5<sup>th</sup>. **Vigil Mass @ 7pm. FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME.**  
**BLESSING OF THROATS AT THE END OF THIS EVENINGS MASS (St. Blaise)**  
**Seamus Duffy Aughamore, former teacher Esker N.S. (Recently deceased)**  
Tommy and Josie Kitt, Clongowna, (Anniv) and the deceased members of the Groden family.  
Paddy and Kitty Glynn, Ballygreaney (26<sup>th</sup>. & 16<sup>th</sup>. Anniv)  
Johnny and Teresa Byrnes, and Baby Cian Byrnes Esker and the deceased members of the Byrnes family.

**R.I.P.:** Your prayers are requested for Michael Dempsey, Kiltulla, Brother of Tom Dempsey, Carrahulla, and for Vincent Finn, U.K. formerly of Kinreask, Brother of Gabriel, Dermot and Larry, also for Frank Burke, The Island, Father of Mrs. Maura Hardiman, Principal of Ballymacward National School, and Brother of Mrs. Josephine Lally, Liscune, who died in the past week.

**READER FOR FEBRUARY:** DOROTHY SCARRY.

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS FOR FEBRUARY:** JOE EGAN, NORA BARRETT (5<sup>th</sup>. & 12<sup>th</sup>.),  
MARY DOLAN, TOMAS HILLARY (17<sup>th</sup>., & 24<sup>th</sup>.)

**BALLYMACWARD NATIONAL SCHOOL:** Ballymacward N.S. are currently enrolling for the new school year 2022/2023. Please contact the school office either by phone at (090) 9687696 or email [st.peterandpaulns@gmail.com](mailto:st.peterandpaulns@gmail.com) for an Enrolment Form.

**CHURCH COLLECTIONS: BALLYMACWARD. GURTEEN. (W/E 22<sup>nd</sup>./23<sup>rd</sup>./01/2022)**

W/Envelopes.	€473.00	W/Envelopes	€772.50
Loose Plate	€ 10 .00	Loose Plate	€ 15.00
Priests Christmas	€170.00	Priests Ea/Su/Au/Chris	€400.00
6 <sup>th</sup> . January	€ 27.00	Holy Days.	€ 55.00
Christmas Day	€ 5.00	Christmas Day	€ 18.00
Shrines	€ 65.19	Shrines	€ 64.59
Misc. Collections	€ 15.00	Misc. Collections	€120.00

**Window Restoration Fund Donation figures for January in next week's newsletter.**

Michael Griffin Memorial Church, Gurteen.

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Sunday 30<sup>th</sup>. MASS @ 11am. FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME.

Paddy Griffin, Shaun (43<sup>rd</sup>. Anniv)

Friday 4<sup>th</sup>. MASS @ 8pm. FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH.

Special Intention.

Sunday 6<sup>th</sup>. MASS @ 11am. FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME.

Mass for the People of the Parish.

**BLESSING OF THROATS AT THE END OF THIS MORNINGSS MASS (St. Blaise)**

**THANK YOU:** The local Conference of Saint Vincent De Paul, based in Mountbellew wishes to gratefully acknowledge the generous response to their Christmas Appeal from the Parish of Ballymacward/Gurteen. May God reward you. For anybody needing assistance the Local Helpline Number is (085) 1846866.

**PADRAIG PEARSES GAA CLUB. RESULTS OF THE LOTTO DRAW WHICH TOOK PLACE ON MONDAY 24<sup>th</sup>. JANUARY. WINNING No.'s 6,9,24,25- NO Winner & NO MATCH 3, . NEXT WEEK'S DRAW TAKES PLACE ON MONDAY NIGHT 31<sup>st</sup>. JANUARY FOR A JACKPOT OF €4,700 IN THE CLUBHOUSE. Play the Lotto @bit.ly/ UNTIL 9pm MONDAY.**

**NOTE:** (a) FROM 1<sup>st</sup>. FEBRUARY THE CLUBS TEXTING SERVICE WILL BE CHANGING TO WhatsApp. PLEASE SAVE THE NEW CLUB NUMBER 087 1994649 CLUB NUMBER IN YOUR PHONE IN ORDER TO RECEIVE FUTURE TEXTS.

**NOTE:** (b) THE CLUBS ONLINE BINGO RETURNS ON THE 4<sup>th</sup>. FEBRUARY @ 8pm. WITH CYRIL BACK CALLING THE NUMBERS BY POPULAR DEMAND. BINGO CARDS CAN BE PURCHASED VIA Smartlotto.ie ONLINE AND ARE NOW ALSO AVAILABLE IN THE FOLLOWING OUTLETS:

**PARKERS AGRI. STORES BALLYMACWARD,**

**MITCHELL'S BAR GURTEEN,**

**THE VILLAGE SHOP CASTLEBLAKNEY,**

**PARKERS BAR BALLYMACWARD.**

**BOOKS MUST BE PURCHASED BY 2pm. ON GAME DAY, ANY QUERIES PH. (087) 1994649. GOOD LUCK TO ALL.**

Please do not attend religious services if you have symptoms associated with Covid-19

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 sanitize your hands with the sanitizer provided and practice social distancing while at Church. In these difficult days let us care for one another by adhering to these basic precautions.

**"We are with you"**

The Diocese of Clonfert has launched "We are with you": a prayer initiative for the deceased and their families in these difficult times. See [www.clonfertdiocese.ie](http://www.clonfertdiocese.ie)

**Keeping Connected**

Why not visit Clonfert Diocese Facebook Page or follow on Clonfert Diocese Twitter.

**ACCORD BALLINASLOE:** Going through a difficult time in your relationship? Maybe we can help...ACCORD Ballinasloe is open for face-to-face counselling in a safe environment. For more information call 09096 43573 or 086 4149033 or email [accordballinasloe@gmail.com](mailto:accordballinasloe@gmail.com)

**ALONE:** Would you be willing to provide companionship to an older person locally? ALONE are seeking volunteers in your area. Full training and support provided. If interested please contact Karen on [karen.byrne@alone.ie](mailto:karen.byrne@alone.ie) or on 086 0576401

**General Operatives/ Maintenance Workers [CES Position]** Duties to include: Working on the environmental sites around Mountbellew with responsibility for cutting grass, shrub planting. keeping public areas kept tidy and maintaining nature trails and general maintenance around the town, adherence to health and safety policies is maintained at all time. Please contact your local DEASP Employment Services / Intreo Office to check your eligibility and to apply for this vacancy. 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](mailto:mountbellewdd@gmail.com)