

St. Peter and Paul's Church, Ballymacward.

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Saturday 19th. Vigil Mass @ 7pm. SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME.

Lena Hartnett, Carrahulla (11th. Anniv)

Mary Ryan (Nee Kenny) (4th. Anniv)

Monday 21st. Mass at 9am.

Tuesday 22nd. Mass at 9am.

Friday 25th. Mass @ 7pm. Cissie and John Hogan, Castleblakney (Anniv)

Christy Lyons, Castleblakney (Anniv)

Michael Connell, Liscuib (15th. Anniv)

Saturday 26th. Vigil Mass @ 7pm. EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME.

John, Winifred, Sean and Eileen Nutley, Gurtyryan (Anniv)

Gerry O'Dowd, Castleblakney (Anniv)

John Joe and Mary Murphy, Gurtyryan (Anniv)

Tom and Rita Greaney, Ballygreaney and their Son Rory (Anniv)

Kevin and Mona Greaney, and the deceased members of the

Greaney family Ballygreaney.

R.I.P.: Your prayers are requested for Mrs. Maureen Kelly, U.S.A. wife of John Kelly, formerly of Ballymacward, also for Mrs. Margaret Costello, Ballinasloe, wife of Christy, formerly Liscuib, and for Colm Fahy, Portumna, Son of Mary Fahy, (Nee Touhy) formerly Carana, who all died in the past week.

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS FOR FEBRUARY: MARY DOLAN, TOMAS HILLARY
(17th./24th.)**

CHURCH COLLECTIONS: BALLYMACWARD. GURTEEN. (W/E 12th.-13th/02/2022)

W/Envelopes.	€303.00	W/Envelopes	€283.00
Loose Plate	€0.00	Loose Plate	€ 41.50
Donations	€150.00	Donation	€350.00
6th. January	€ 5.00	6th. January.	€0.00
17th. March	€ 5.00	17th. March	€0.00
Lenten	€ 10.00	Lenten	€0.00
Lourdes	€ 33.00	Lourdes	€ 56.00

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 for an Enrolment Form.

A.G.M.: The Annual General Meeting of the **BALLYMACWARD HALL COMMITTEE** will take place in the Hall on **FRIDAY 25th. FEBRUARY @ 8-30pm**. Everyone is welcome, especially anyone interested in joining our team.

WOODLAWN HERITAGE GROUP: A.G.M. on **SATURDAY, 19th. FEBRUARY** in **BALLYMACWARD HALL @ 8pm**. New members welcome. Social distancing/mask wearing apply

KILLALAGHTON DRAMA: Killalaghton Drama Group present "**HITTING THE JACKPOT**" by Jimmy Keary, in Killalaghton Hall on **FRIDAY 25th. & SATURDAY 26th. FEBRUARY @ 8-30pm**. Come and enjoy a great nights Drama. COVID 19 guidelines must be observed.

St. Michael's.
Fr. Michael Griffin Memorial Church, Gurteen.
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Sunday 20th. **MASS @ 11am. SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME.**
Mass for the People of the Parish.

Friday 25th. **MASS @ 8pm.** Nora Lally, (Anniv)

Sunday 27th. **MASS @ 11am. EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME.**
Pete and Annie Finnerty, Clough, (Anniv) and the deceased members of the Finnerty family..

R.I.P.: Your prayers are requested for Mrs. Annie Kenny, (Nee McGann) Duniry, Sister of John McGann, Clough, who died in the past week.

YOGA: Yoga every **THURSDAY** morning in **BALLYMACWARD HALL** from **10-30am to 11-30am** by **JULIE**.

PADRAIG PEARSES GAA CLUB. **RESULTS OF THE LOTTO DRAW WHICH TOOK PLACE ON MONDAY 14th. FEBRUARY. WINNING No.'s - 10,14,19,23 NO Winner & 3 MATCH 3s, ALBERT KILKENNY, SEAN WARD, TERRY MURRAY. NEXT WEEK'S DRAW TAKES PLACE ON MONDAY NIGHT 21st. FEBRUARY FOR A JACKPOT OF €4,700 IN RUANE'S GLENTANE. Play the Lotto @bit.ly/ UNTIL 9pm MONDAY.**

Mountbellew District Development CE scheme has a vacancy on their scheme for: [Administrative Assistant CE Scheme](#) - Duties include: Assisting the Supervisor in carrying out the wage's procedure every week; Maintaining accounts both manual and computerised filing and maintaining all files and keeping them up to date; Word Processing as outlined by the Supervisor; General administrative and clerical support. Adherence to health and safety policies is maintained at all time. This role provides an opportunity to acquire new skills. In order to qualify for these positions, you need to be in receipt of social welfare payment. for further details please contact **Sean on 090 9679085**.

Prayers and Best Wishes on the Closing of St Patrick's Redemptorist, Monastery, Esker. It is with sadness that we heard during the week that the presence of the Redemptorist Fathers at Esker in the Diocese of Clonfert is to come to an end. Esker Monastery has been an integral part of our Diocese for more than a century and its closure will be a great loss to the local Esker area and indeed to the Diocese as a whole. Over the years the Redemptorist community at Esker have played an important role in our diocesan community – providing priests to minister in our parishes, offering a place of spiritual nourishment and support to clergy and laity, contributing greatly to the life of the local church communities and in particular a fruitful outreach to youth and school groups. For this, we are deeply grateful. We give thanks to God for the service and witness given by so many Redemptorists at Esker over the years. To close a house with such a long and venerable tradition is always a difficult decision for any religious community and one not taken lightly. However, in light of the current challenges that many of our religious communities face, it is totally understandable. To Fr Dan Baragry C.Ss.R., Redemptorist Provincial, Fr Brendan Callanan CSsR, Rector all at Esker we say 'Thank You!' We give thanks to God for your presence among us. We wish you well on the next stage of the journey and pray God's blessings upon you into the future. + Michael Duignan, Bishop of Clonfert, Bishop Elect- Galway/Killmacduagh.

Help for Gamblers: A support group for Gambler's Anonymous meets every **Tuesday** evening at **8pm** sharp, in Ballinasloe at the **Galway East Life Support Rooms, beside the Credit Union, off the Main Street.** For information phone **087 6832721**

'Be still and know that I am God' Adult Retreat Day with inputs from Fr. Niall Ahern taking place in St. Cuan's College, Castleblakney, on Sat. 26th Feb. All welcome but places must be reserved. For more info see www.creideamh.ie/retreat

'Reading & Praying with St. Paul' Lenten Bible Study Group will meet in The Clonfert Family Centre, Brackernagh, Ballinasloe, 8 - 9 pm each Sunday of Lent, beginning March 6th. Objectives include coming to know St. Paul as a friend and spiritual advisor and conversation that stimulates learning and faith-enquiry. For more info see www.creideamh.ie/lent (in-person opportunity). All welcome.

'And their eyes were opened and they recognised him' (Lk 24:31) Tarsus Scripture School Lent-Easter online piggyback initiative. For more info see www.creideamh.ie/lent (online opportunity). All welcome.