

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

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- Saturday 25<sup>th</sup>. **Vigil Mass at 8pm. THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME.**  
**Mark Lydon, Attyeregan (1<sup>st</sup>. Anniv)**  
Ciss, Jimmy and Johnny Kelly, Attyeregan (Anniv)
- Monday 27<sup>th</sup>. **Mass at 9am**
- Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup>. **Mass at 9am.**
- Friday 1<sup>st</sup>. **Mass at 7pm. FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH.**
- Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup>. **Vigil Mass at 8pm. FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME.**  
Michael O'Dea, Mounthazel (4<sup>th</sup>. Anniv) and the deceased members of the O'Dea family.
- Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup>. **BALLYMACWARD NEW CEMETERY MASS @ 8pm.**

**NOTE: We are requesting volunteers to care for the flower beds and pots in the church grounds. Please.**

**READER FOR JULY:**

**KATHLEEN RAFTERY.**

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS FOR JULY: MARY DOLAN, ANNE PEARSE.**

**(2<sup>nd</sup>. 9<sup>th</sup>. & 16<sup>th</sup>.)**

**TOMAS HILLARY, MARY JENKINS LALLY**

**(23<sup>rd</sup>. & 30<sup>th</sup>.)**

**SOCIAL CLUB: THIS THURSDAY 30<sup>th</sup>. TEA & CARDS**

**ART: Art classes for beginners in Ballymacward Hall, commencing MONDAY 4<sup>th</sup> of July @ 10-30am. For more information contact Mary (087) 6400067.**

**Clonfert Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage – Youth Section If you are between the ages of 16 and 30 and would like to do something different with other young people this summer, why not come with us on the Clonfert Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes from 19<sup>th</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> August. Further information, contact your local P. P., or Diocesan office at [office@clonfertdiocese.ie](mailto:office@clonfertdiocese.ie) or 091841560.**

**Golf Am Am. The annual Caltra G.A.A Fundraising Golf Am-Am is to be held at the Mountbellew Golf Club on Thursday June 30<sup>th</sup>, Friday July 1<sup>st</sup> and Saturday July 2<sup>nd</sup> The top prize co -sponsored by Keller Campotel and St Jarlaths Credit Union Mountbellew will be a Seven Day Holiday for the winning team of four in the France later this year. The second prize is a round of golf at the renowned Kclub. Teams can be booked in to the tee times by calling 0876335479 or on the new online system at the club.**

**Clonfert Pilgrimage to Lourdes: 19<sup>th</sup> - 24<sup>th</sup> **August 2022.** For further information please contact Society Travel Ballinasloe at [090 964 5350](tel:0909645350).**

**St. Michael's.**  
**Fr. Michael Griffin Memorial Church, Gurteen.**  
**(Listen to Mass at 101.4 fm)**  
**PARISH WEBSITE: [ballymacwardgurteenparish.com](http://ballymacwardgurteenparish.com)**  
**PARISH EMAIL ADDRESS . [ballymacwardparish@eircom.net](mailto:ballymacwardparish@eircom.net)**

Sunday 26<sup>th</sup>. **Mass at 10am. THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME.**  
Mark Carr, Shanballymore (Anniv) and the deceased members  
of the Carr family..

Friday 1<sup>st</sup>. **Mass at 8pm. THOMAS MOLLOY, CLOUGH (Months Mind)**

Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup>. **Mass at 10am. FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME.**  
Kitty and John Fahy, Colemanstown (7<sup>th</sup>. & 8<sup>th</sup>. Anniv)  
Gabriel Molloy, Faha (30<sup>th</sup>. Anniv)

Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup>. **BALLYMACWARD NEW CEMETERY MASS @ 8pm.**

**CHURCH COLLECTIONS: BALLYMACWARD/GURTEEN. (W/E 18<sup>th</sup>. & 19<sup>th</sup>./06/2022)**

W/Envelopes.	€473.00	W/Envelopes	€346.30
Loose Plate	€ 60.70	Loose Plate	€.00
Priests Summer	€505.00	Priests Summer	€233.65
Popes	€112.40	Popes	€164.00
Accord	€.00	Accord	€ 10.00
Priests Retirement.	€.00	Priests Retirement.	€ 10.00
Trocaire	€.00	Trocaire.	€ 28.15

**PADRAIG PEARSES GAA CLUB. RESULTS OF THE LOTTO DRAW WHICH TOOK PLACE ON MONDAY 20<sup>th</sup>. JUNE. WINNING No.'s 5,10,20,21, NO Winner, 4 MATCH 3's. GERETTE O'BRIEN, PAUDIE HILLARY, RACHEL KELLY, MARY BURKE SNR., NEXT WEEK'S DRAW TAKES PLACE ON MONDAY NIGHT 27<sup>th</sup>. JUNE IN RUANES, GLENTANE, FOR A JACKPOT OF €6,500. THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT.**

**Lough Derg welcomes Pilgrims again with a full Pilgrimage programme this summer**  
**Three Day Pilgrimage: 1st June - 15th August. Booking advised. Concessions available for students, seniors and groups. One Day Retreats and guided Pilgrim Path experience: dates in May and late August through September. Booking essential.**  
All booking information at [www.loughderg.org](http://www.loughderg.org), email [info@loughderg.org](mailto:info@loughderg.org) or telephone 0(0353) 71 9861518. *Lough Derg, Pettigo, Co Donegal, F94 N289.*

**General Operatives/ Maintenance Workers** Duties to include: Working on the environmental sites around Mountbellew with responsibility for cutting grass, shrub planting, cleaning, painting, litter control, 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. for further details please contact Sean O' Neill on 090 9679085 /0871209739 or email [mountbellewdd@gmail.com](mailto:mountbellewdd@gmail.com)

**Diocese of Clonfert**  
**Ballymacward/Gurteen Parish Pastoral Council**  
**Election 2022**

**June 16<sup>th</sup> 2022**

Dear Parishioner,

As we prepare for the future and as the term of the current Pastoral Council has been completed a new council must be elected. You are invited to nominate a representative from your station area. You may nominate yourself or another. It is important that the person nominated is contacted and that they agree to be a member.

Please return the nomination slip below to the collection box at the weekend Mass or to any member of the current Pastoral Council by **Sunday July.10<sup>th</sup> 2022**

Yours faithfully

Fr. Raymond Sweeney

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**Ballymacward Pastoral Council**

I wish to nominate \_\_\_\_\_ from my Station Area

of \_\_\_\_\_ for the Ballymacward Pastoral Council.

**WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES** - The 10th World Meeting of Families is taking place this week from 22 - 26 June in Rome on the theme, *'Family love: a vocation and a path to holiness.'* Ireland hosted the ninth World Meeting of Families in August 2018 which was attended by Pope Francis, and tens of thousands of people from home and abroad. This year's World Meeting of Families has been adapted to suit the post-pandemic world and therefore will be smaller in terms of the numbers with just 2,000 delegates gathered in Rome. But, it is still possible for families across Ireland to be part of the event by joining in online as we became accustomed to doing during the pandemic. All of the gatherings that are part of this year's World Meeting will be live-streamed. The Irish delegation in attendance have taken the prayers and intentions of Irish families with them to Rome and asked that our delegation in Rome be remembered in prayer in our parishes at home, especially this coming weekend. A special pastoral kit has been prepared and is available on [www.catholicbishops.ie](http://www.catholicbishops.ie) for parishes wishing to organise something locally.

**Families and parishes are also invited to pray the Prayer for the World Meeting of Family 2022:**

Heavenly Father,

We come before You to praise You  
and to thank You for the great gift of the family.

We pray to You for all families  
consecrated by the Sacrament of Matrimony.

May they rediscover each day  
the grace they have received,  
and as small domestic Churches,  
may they know how to witness to Your presence  
and to the love with which Christ loves the Church.

We pray to You for all families faced with difficulty and suffering  
caused by illness or circumstances of which only You know.

Sustain them and make them aware  
of the path to holiness upon which You call them,  
so that they might experience Your infinite mercy  
and find new ways to grow in love.

We pray to You for children and young people:  
may they encounter You and respond joyfully  
to the vocation You have in mind for them;

We pray for parents and grandparents: may they be aware  
that they are signs of the fatherhood and motherhood of God  
in caring for the children who, in body and spirit, You entrust to them;  
and for the experience of fraternity  
that the family can give to the world.

Lord, grant that each family  
might live their specific vocation to holiness in the Church  
as a call to become missionary disciples,  
in the service of life and peace,  
in communion with our priests, religious,  
and all vocations in the Church.

Bless the World Meeting of Families. **Amen.**

## **St. Kerrill's Abbey – Conservation Works**

**Gurteen Community Council are pleased to announce that vital conservation works on St. Kerrill's Abbey, Clonkeenkerrill are proposed following receipt of a grant allocated by the Community Monuments Fund. This fund is provided by the National Monuments Service of the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage and administered by Galway County Council. The grant allowed the preparation of a Conservation Management Plan for the Abbey in 2021. Funding has now been received for the implementation of Phase I of this plan, which involves the removal of ivy, conservation of the south gable and east walls of the transept along with the stabilisation of the iconic triple light tracery window in the south gable and windows in the east wall. In addition to the above funding, Kerril Lyndsay very kindly donated €500 to the project on behalf of John Britton Structural and Civil Engineers.**

**Fergal McNamara of 7L Architects has been appointed to coordinate and oversee a team of archaeologists, conservation engineers and specialist stone masons to undertake these works during the summer and autumn of 2022. The works will involve the erection of scaffolding and construction site fencing close to and, in some cases, on top of graves that are adjacent to the Abbey. This will be undertaken with the utmost care and respect by professional stonemasons, who have vast experience of working under such conditions.**

**If you wish to find out more about the project, would like to view a copy of the Conservation Management Plan or have any concerns regarding construction works in and around the Abbey, please feel free to contact Pat Roberts, St. Kerrill's Heritage Committee, on [0876167704](tel:0876167704).**

**Saint Patrick's five-day Pilgrimage of Faith in County Down** The pilgrimage takes place during July and August. Poor Clares Sr Martina Purdy and Sr Elaine Kelly will lead the pilgrimage. From £850 no single supplement - all inc meals, transport, activities. Please click on the link below for more details [or](#) call centre Downpatrick 02844 619000

[Saint Patrick Centre – Welcome to the Home of Saint Patrick](#)

Are you living in Ireland undocumented? Do you know someone who may be an undocumented migrant? Undocumented people can apply for a legal status now. Applications for the new government undocumented scheme are open until 31 July. Don't miss this life changing opportunity. To check your eligibility and get support to apply visit the Migrants Rights Centre Ireland website [www.mrci.ie](http://www.mrci.ie) or email [info@mrci.ie](mailto:info@mrci.ie) or contact 083-0755387.

Show a teacher your appreciation and give a gift of hope this summer International school feeding charity, Mary's Meals, have launched their innovative fundraiser, *Present for my Teacher*. Parents and guardians can buy an online gift for their children's teachers in exchange for a donation towards the work of Mary's Meals, who are now feeding over 2.2 million children, in 20 of the world's poorest countries, across Africa, Asia, Latin America and the Caribbean. Donations of any amount are gratefully accepted and for just €18.30, a child can receive daily meals, in their place of education, for an entire school year. It is really two gifts in one: children can send a beautiful e-card via email to recognise and thank their teacher, while simultaneously giving a gift of hope to hungry children across the globe. Simply visit [www.presentformyteacher.com](http://www.presentformyteacher.com) for more information or call Patricia on 0863140814

**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)

**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