

St. Peter and Paul's Church, Ballymacward.

EIRCODE H53 YH60

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Saturday 6th. Vigil Mass at **8pm**. **SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER.**
Paddy Joe Laheen, Bawnogues (48th. Anniv)
Michael, Bridget and J.G. Queeney, Mounthazel (Anniv)
John Joe, and Lena McGann, Carhoon (13th. And 24th. Anniv)

Monday 8th. Mass at 9am.

Thursday 11th. Mass at **7pm**. Bi Bi Flynn, Ballymacward (Months Mind)

Friday 12th. Mass at 7pm. Margaret Ward, Esker (Anniv) and the deceased members of the Ward Family.

Saturday 13th. Vigil Mass at **8pm**. **THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER.**
MISSION OUTREACH SUNDAY.

Dick and Rita Behan, Alloon (Anniv)

(NOTE) On Saturday Night 13th. April, a Sister from the Missionary Sisters of St. Peter Claver will speak at the evening Mass about the Sisters work, and make an appeal on behalf of there Mission, and any support from parishioners would be gratefully appreciated. They will take up a collection at the door as people leave.

READER FOR APRIL BALLYMACWARD: ANN KELLY

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS APRIL BALLYMAC: PADRAIG QUINN, BERNIE MORRISSEY.
(6th. & 13th.)

ANN PEARSE, MARY JENKINS LALLY. (20th., & 27th.)

BALLYMACWARD NATIONAL SCHOOL: Ballymacward National School will be 50years old in April. If anyone has photos etc of themselves/teams/classes, please copy and forward to the school by email or post: Email: st.peterandpaulns@gmail.com or post to Ballymacward N.S., Ballymacward, Ballinasloe, Co. Galway. H53 NX21.

BALLYMACWARD/GURTEEN SOCIAL CLUB: Thursday 11th. APRIL - GAMES.

PEARSE'S CAMOGIE CLUB: Come join our nursery camogie group (Junior & Senior Infants) for lots of fun and games. Training starts on THIS Sunday April 7th. @ 11am. in Ballymacward pitch. Bring your Hurl, Helmet & Water. For more Info., Contact Eleanor on (086) 8529325. New members always welcome to the older age groups. Pearses Boys U7's also starts back on the 7th., Contact Dave (087) 2485561

PADRAIG PEARSES GAA CLUB: RESULTS OF THE LOTTO DRAW WHICH TOOK PLACE ON MONDAY 1st. APRIL WINNING No.'s 12,15,23,29, NO Winner, 1 MATCH 3, CATHERINE SKEHILL. NEXT WEEK'S DRAW ON MONDAY NIGHT 8th. APRIL, IN BURKE'S BAR, COLEMANSTOWN, FOR A JACKPOT OF €8,700 PLAY LOTTO ONLINE @ <http://tinyurl.com/ygpyqc2q> JANUARY

St. Michael's. / Fr. Michael Griffin Memorial Church, Gurteen.

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Sunday 7th. Mass at 10am. SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER.

John McGann, Clough (1st. Anniv)

Mattie King, Gurteen (3rd. Anniv)

Sunday 14th. Mass at 10am. THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER.

MISSION OUTREACH SUNDAY.

Eileen Kilkenny, Sheeaun (20th. Anniv)

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Gurteen National School. Parents wishing to enroll their child in Gurteen N.S., may now do so by contacting the school for an enrolment form. Phone: (090) 9677966 or email: info@gurteenns.com.

CHURCH COLLECTIONS: BALLYMAC/GURTEEN. W/E 30/03/23 & 31/03/2023

W/Envelopes.	€ 594.40	W/Envelopes	€544.00
Loose Plate	€ 123.72	Loose Plate	€158.10
HOLY DAYS	€ 34.50	HOLY DAYS	€ 9.00
EMIGRANTS	€ 7.00	EMIGRANTS	€ 20.00
LENTEN	€ 5.00	LENTEN	€ 30.00
PRIESTS EASTER	€2,081.10	PRIESTS EASTER	€970.00
HOLY PLACES	€ 116.00	HOLY PLACES	€ 105.00
TROCAIRE	€1,027.98	TROCAIRE	€ 145.87
CANDLES	€ 294.21		
MISC	€ 12.00		

***New opportunity to join Mountbellew CE Scheme, General Operatives Maintenance Workers* Duties to include: Working around Mountbellew with responsibility for cutting grass, shrub planting, cleaning, painting, litter control, keeping public areas tidy and maintaining nature trails and general maintenance around the town. This is a developmental opportunity, no experience necessary. Accredited training will be provided to support your career. For further details please contact Sean O' Neill on 090 9679085 /0871209739 or email mountbellewdd@gmail.com**

ACTIVE RETIREMENT: Mountbellew/ District Active Retirement Meeting on Monday 8th. APRIL at 8.00pm, in the Pastoral Centre Mountbellew. New members welcome.

Medjugorje International Youth Festival from July 31st– August 7th 2024. Spiritual Director: Bishop Michael Duignan. OPEN TO ADULTS BETWEEN THE AGES OF 18 (by 31st July 2024) AND 35. Subsidised Fare €680 – all inclusive. For further information and booking form contact the Clonfert Diocesan Office: tel. 091 841 560, email office@clonfertdiocese.ie, or contact your local priest. Limited spaces – first come, first served. Closing date 12th of April.

ACCORD Ballinasloe are committed to providing a professional counselling service for individuals and couples who are experiencing difficulties in their marriage and relationships. This confidential service is available and affordable. CONTACT 090 9643573 for appointment or E-mail ballinasloeaccord@eircom.net

ACCORD Catholic Marriage Care Service CLG is currently recruiting volunteers to train as marriage preparation programme facilitators.

- If you have a positive attitude towards marriage in the Catholic Church
- If you have the enthusiasm to be part of the Accord team in supporting couples who are preparing for the Sacrament of Marriage

Accord wants to hear from you! Successful applicants will receive professional training and will be part of a team delivering marriage preparation programmes locally. Contact Aisling on 01 505 3112 or by email to marriagepreparation@accord.ie www.accord.ie

CANA Talks – “A Roadmap to Happiness” – T.F Royal Theatre, Castlebar – Friday 31st May, 8 pm. 6 speakers plus Special Guests. Inspiration + Entertainment. Each speaker has just 15 minutes to inspire you (from a faith perspective)! Enjoy real-life stories, humour, inspiring talks, great visuals, music, + more. This is not a conference, but a show! Tickets €20 + booking fee @ www.ticketmaster.ie. Can pay cash at the or. www.canatalks.com

Prayer for Vocations in the Diocese of Clonfert

Lord of the Harvest,

**Bless young people in the Diocese of Clonfert with the gift of
Courage to respond to your call of service.**

Open their hearts to great ideals and wonderful things.

Inspire all of your disciples to mutual love and giving;

For vocations blossom in the rich soil of faithful people.

Inspire priests and religious, all our parishioners and families

With the confidence and grace to invite our young people

To consider the exciting and noble path of life dedicated and consecrated to You.

Unite us to Jesus Through prayer and sacrament,

So that we may cooperate With you in building your kingdom of

Mercy and truth, of justice and peace. Amen.