

St. Peter and Paul's Church, Ballymacward. EIRCODE H53 YH60

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SATURDAY 1st. VIGIL MASS @ 7pm. EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR.

Maebhe Versuri Gorman, Monaveen (2nd. Anniv)

Seamus and Kathleen Keane, Mounthazel (3rd. & 4th. Anniv)

SUNDAY 2nd. KILLAHAWN CEMETERY MASS @ 7pm.

MONDAY 3rd. MASS @ 9am. Peter Flaherty, Mountbernard (Anniv) and the deceased members of the Flaherty Family.

FRIDAY 7th. MASS @ 7pm. FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH.

John, Bridget and Sean Quinn, Carrahulla (Anniv)

SATURDAY 8th. MASS @ 1pm. JULIE MOORE, THE PHILLIPINES, GALWAY/SLIGO & BALLYMACWARD (MONTHS MIND)

SATURDAY 8th. VIGIL MASS @ 7pm. NINETEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR.

Frank and Dorothy Kitt, Clongowna (Aniv)

SUNDAY 9th. KILLUANE CEMETERY MASS @ 7pm.

R.I.P.: Your prayers are requested for Mrs. Mary Egan, Carrahulla, who died in the past week.

CLOONKEENKERRILL CEMETERY MASS: FRIDAY 14th. AUGUST @ 7PM.

MASS SERVERS FOR AUGUST: KENNETH HARLOWE, & FIONN NUTLEY

READER FOR AUGUST: MAJELLA CAMPBELL.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS FOR JULY; SEAN HOGAN, BERNIE MORRISSEY.

(1st., 8th. & 15th.- (Morning))

ANNE KINDREGAN, MAURA MURRAY

(15th. (Evening) 22nd. & 29th.)

St. Francis Prayer Group invites you to join us for 3 nights of talks on the 'Life of St Gemma Galgani' on Tuesday 11th, 18th & 25th August at 7p.m in Clonfert Family Centre, Ballinasloe, H53 NX59. St. Gemma's first-class relic and free prayer cards will be available each night. All welcome to come and see. More details contact: Theresa on 086 3241269

GARAFINE SCHOOL CENTENARY REUNION (1926 - 2026): THIS

SUNDAY 2nd. AUGUST IN RUANE'S OF GLENTANE @ 7pm. Please come along, and share stories, memories and view Photo's from the past.

THANK YOU: The authors of the Ballymacward Book, **BALLYMACWARD (Cill Maol Cosna - Where it all started)** Herbie Parker & Seamus Bellew wish to thank parishioners for their support of the recent launch of the book. The book is now available from **Ruane's Glentane; Miland's Garden Centre Mountbellew; Salmon's Ballinasloe;** and also from **Herbie Parker.**

FUNDRAISER: "Ability West Mountbellew Cycle&Run/Walk Charity Fundraiser taking place in Ballymacward. H53YF82. Please Join us August 8th from 9am. All welcome."

DUNMORE BINGO IN DUNMORE COMMUNITY CENTRE, SUNDAY 9th. AUGUST @ 3pm. €500 JACKPOT IN 45 CALLS OR LESS, LOTS OF FREE DRAWS FOR BOOKS + COMPLIMENTRY TEA/COFFEE. AN AFTERNOON NOT TO BE MISSED.

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

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SUNDAY 2nd. MASS @ 10am. EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR.

Mary Connor, Killuane (2nd. Anniv). and the deceased members of the Connor Family.

SUNDAY 2nd. KILLAHAWN CEMETERY MASS @ 7pm.

FRIDAY 7th. MASS @ 8pm. FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH.

NORA GRADY, BALLYGLASS (MONTHS MIND)

SUNDAY 9th. MASS @ 10am. NINETEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR.

Sean Hastings, Faha (Anniv).

SUNDAY 9th. KILLUANE CEMETERY MASS @ 7pm.

CHURCH COLLECTIONS: BALLYMAC/GURTEEN. WEEK ENDING 25/26– 07/26

W/ENVELOPES	€338.00	W/ENVELOPES	€275.50
LOOSE PLATE	€ 64.00	LOOSE PLATE	€ 31.70
CANDLES	€ 70.21	CANDLES	€ 42.20
15 th . AUGUST	€ 5.00		
ACCORD	€ 5.00	ACCORD	€ 5.00

PADRAIG PEARSES GAA CLUB LOTTO: RESULTS OF THE LOTTO DRAW WHICH TOOK PLACE ON MONDAY 27th. JULY. WINNING No.'s 13,21,29,30. NO WINNER, & THERE WAS NO MATCH 3'S. . NEXT WEEK'S DRAW ON MONDAY 3rd. AUGUST. IN "BRODERICK'S BAR", KILLCONNELL, FOR A JACKPOT OF €3,000. You can play by downloading the Club App, Search for PADRAIG PEARSES GAA. CLUB.

Fundraising Concert: Shear Country Concert in Aid of Cuan Mhuire Addiction Treatment Centre, Coolarne, Athenry. Thursday 10th September at the Shearwater Hotel, Ballinasloe. Staring Sabrina Fallon, The Fallon Family, Philomena Begley, Ray Lynam, Sandy Kelly, Trudi Lalor, Dee Morrrissey, Shane Moore, Derek Burke, Olivia Douglas and Johnny Carroll.

Doors open at 7pm, Show starts at 7.30pm. Tickets can be purchased from Cuan Mhuire, Coolarne (tel. 091 797102) or on www.eventrite.ie or directly from The Shearwater Hotel. Tickets €30.

RCIA 2026/2027 – Thinking of Becoming Catholic? The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is for adults who: – have never been baptised

– belong to another Christian tradition

– are baptised Catholics but haven't received confirmation or Eucharist

The journey begins this autumn. To find out more, contact the parish or

email rcia@anghailil.ie

Coffee Day Wellbeing Meetup. On Wednesday, 19th August, (2- 4pm), Ballinasloe Family Centre H53 NX59. This can be a good opportunity for people to find out about REGARI Recovery College without committing to any session. For more information please contact: Amanda Hunt, Email: regarirecoverycollege@gmail.com, Tel: 087 968 4352.

LOUGH DERG:

August & September 2026 @ Lough Derg A pilgrimage has a vital part to play in our life of faith, for it removes us from our daily routines, and gives us time and space to encounter God more deeply.

One Day Retreats – Guided Days of Prayer and Reflection - places available on August 18th, 22nd , 23rd, 29th and 31st

September 5 th, 6th, 9th, 12th, 15th , 19th and 20th

Admission €50.

Group discounts available. Advance Booking Essential. Includes Special Themed Retreats:

23rd August - St Peregrine

5 th September – Pioneer Pilgrimage

6 th September – St Carlos Acutis

9 th & 12th September – Vocations Monstrance

19th September – Divine Mercy Pilgrimage

Heritage Day Tours – Explore one of Ireland’s most enduring and authentic spiritual destinations. Thursday 20th August. 11am & 2:30pm As part of National Heritage Week celebrations visitors will enjoy a guided boat trip on the lake, guided tour of Station Island and refreshments. Admission €15. Student & Child discounts available. Advance Booking Essential.

Lakeshore Pilgrim Path Pilgrimage – In the footsteps of pilgrims through the centuries Sunday 30th August. 8km & 12km routes, fully guided. Outdoor Mass weather permitting. Admission €25. Advance Booking Essential.

NEW FOR 2026 SEASON –Overnight accommodation available on Station Island the night before beginning a Retreat or Pilgrimage. Lough Derg, Pettigo, Co Donegal. F94 PC60 www.loughderg.org email. info@loughderg.org Tel. 0719861518