

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

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SATURDAY 29th. VIGIL MASS @ 7pm. TWENTY SECOND SUNDAY OF THE YEAR.

Walter (Wally) Pritchard, Carrahulla (2nd. Anniv)

Sonny and Eileen Fahy, Lisloughlin (Anniv)

Margaret Fahy, Lisloughlin (6th. Anniv)

Tom and Kathleen Dempsey, Kinreask (41st. & 37th. Anniv)

John Joe Jenkins, Ballinastack (39th. Anniv)

P.J. Byrnes, Liscuib (Anniv) & deceased members of the Byrnes Family.

MONDAY 31st. MASS @ 9am.

FRIDAY 4th. MASS @ 7pm. FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH.

John and Mary Kelly, Garafine (Anniv)

Michael and Katie Madden, Garrymore, and the deceased members of the Madden & Maher Families.

SATURDAY 5th. VIGIL MASS @ 7pm. TWENTY THIRD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR.

Teresa Neill, Annagh/Moylough (9th. Anniv)

Jackie Neill, Annagh (Anniv)

Dympna Power (Nee Madden) Ennis/Ballymacward (4th. Anniv)

FIRST FRIDAY CALLS: FR. SWEENEY WILL BE STARTING THE SEPTEMBER MONTHLY CALLS ON THIS MONDAY 31st. AUGUST.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS FOR SEPTEMBER;

NORA BARRETT & JOAN TANNIAN (5th. & 12th.)

CATRIONA HYNES & SEAN HOGAN (19th. & 26th.)

READER FOR SEPTEMBER: AINE KELLY

BINGO: MONTHLY FAMILY BINGO IN THE HALL THIS SUNDAY EVENING 30th. AUGUST @ 7pm. OVER €1,200 IN PRIZES. A FUN EVENING, BE THERE.

SOCIAL CLUB: The Social Club is back this coming THURSDAY 3rd.

SEPTEMBER @ 2-30pm. First week's activity is a QUIZ.

BADMINTON: Ballymacward Badminton  has resumed after the summer break and continues on Tuesday's @ 8pm. New members welcome.

CEMETERY MASS: Killaan Cemetery mass will take place on Friday

September the 11th., at 7pm.

PADRAIG PEARSES GAA CLUB LOTTO: RESULTS OF THE LOTTO DRAW WHICH TOOK PLACE ON MONDAY 24th. AUGUST. WINNING No.'s 4,7,19,24. NO WINNER, & THERE WAS 2 MATCH 3's. GERRY CUNNIFFE & SHANE RAFTERY. NEXT WEEK'S DRAW ON MONDAY 31st. AUGUST. IN "THE LOCAL BAR", BALLYMACWARD, FOR A JACKPOT OF €3,400. You can play by downloading the Club App, Search for PADRAIG PEARSES GAA. CLUB.

JULY 250 CLUB MONTHLY WINNERS:

€100 NANCY PARKER, €75 DOROTHY SCARRY, & €50 JOHNNY LALLY.

NOTE: These results were held over for the past few week's due to lack of space.

MOUNTBELLEW ACTIVE RETIREMENT: THE MONTHLY MEETING WILL TAKE PLACE IN THE PASTORAL CENTRE, MOUNTBELLEW ON MONDAY 7th. SEPTEMBER @ 8pm. THERE WILL BE A GUEST SPEAKER ON THE NIGHT, & NEW MEMBERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME.

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

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SUNDAY 30th. MASS @ 10am. TWENTY SECOND SUNDAY OF THE YEAR.

Mass for the People of the Parish.

FRIDAY 4th. MASS @ 8pm. FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH.

Thomas and Mary McDonough, Shanballymore (Anniv)

SUNDAY 6th. MASS @ 10am. TWENTY THIRD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR.

John O'Grady, Cappalusk (39th. Anniv)

Bridget O'Grady & Catherine Donnellan (31st. Anniv) & Marian Flannery Kinreask.

THANK YOU: Cloonkeenkerrill Cemetery Mass collection amounted to a total €2582.50. The organising committee wish to thank all who contributed so generously to the collection.

CHURCH COLLECTIONS: BALLYMAC/GURTEEN. WEEK ENDING 22/23– 08/26

W/ENVELOPES	€476.10	W/ENVELOPES	€290.80
LOOSE PLATE	€109.61	LOOSE PLATE	€ 61.20
15 th . AUGUST	€ 34.00	15 th . AUGUST	€ 69.00
PRIESTS EASTER	€ 50.00		
PRIESTS SUMMER	€ 95.00		

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.

Burren Outdoor Retreat, Friday 4th September to Sunday 6th September. Would you like to come with us on a journey through the Burren with its limestone pavements, rare flora and ancient sacred sites? Let the beauty of this place renew you in body and soul. Residential (people within easy reach may commute). Contact Mary at 087 970 1130 for information or Des at 085 161 4951 for bookings.

Marriage Encounter Ireland: invites married couples to a residential Weekend from Friday 2nd to Sunday 4th October 2026 at the "Focolare Centre" "Curryhills", Prosperous, Co. Kildare. Step away from daily distractions to deepen your communication, renew your love, and rediscover the joy of your marriage. www.marriageencounter.ie

St Brendan's Education Centre, Abbey St., Loughrea: 091 841387 email:

freda.murphy@gretb.ie A few places available in Business Modules commencing in September:

Information and Administration Level 5 Tuesday 8th September 9.30 to 12.30pm,

Legal Practice and Procedure Tuesday afternoon 1-4pm.

Early Learning Certificate in Childcare: Commencing on Tuesday 8th September 6-9pm

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

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

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