

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

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SATURDAY 14th. VIGIL MASS @ 7pm. FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT.

Johnny and Teresa Byrnes, Esker (Anniv) and Baby Cian Byrnes,
and the deceased members of the Byrnes Family..

Enda Bellew, Banogues (4th. Anniv)

Johnny, Tom and Gerard Bellew, Banogues (Anniv)

Bi, Bi Flynn, Ballymacward (2nd. Anniv)

MONDAY 16th. VIGIL MASS @ 7pm. ST. PATRICK'S DAY.

WEDNESDAY 18th. MASS @ 9am.

THURSDAY 19th. MASS @ 9am. FEAST OF ST. JOSEPH.

Frank Keane (Anniv) and the deceased members of Keane family, Aughrim.

FRIDAY 20th. MASS @ 7pm.

SATURDAY 21st. VIGIL MASS @ 7pm. FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT.

Paddy Kenny, Carhoon (42nd. Anniv)

Paddy Joe Laheen, Bawnogues (50th. Anniv)

**ST. PATRICK: Happy St Patrick's Day and God's blessings on you and all your families.
Bishop Michael Duignan/Fr. Raymond Sweeney.**

MASS SERVERS FOR MARCH:

TREVOR & KENNETH HARLOWE

READER FOR MARCH:

MICHELLE HILLARY

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS FOR MARCH:

NOEL and MARY HYNES. (21st. / 28th.)

SOCIAL CLUB: THIS THURSDAY, the 19th. of MARCH @ 2-30pm. BINGO.

**DRAMA: DO YE HAVE A PENSION PLAN, WELL WHY NOT GO TO
MENLOUGH THIS WEEKEND WHEN THEY STAGE THERE 2 ACT DRAMA
"THE PENSION PLAN" ON FRIDAY AND SATURDAY 13th. and 14th. MARCH @
8PM. DOORS OPEN @ 7PM. COME EARLY, A GREAT EVENING GUARANTEED**

**Contemplative Dominican Monastic Vocation Discernment Weekends in the
Monastery of St. Catherine of Siena, The Twenties, Drogheda, Co. Louth. A92 KR84, from
the 20th – 22nd of March 2026 and the 17th – 19th April 2026. For single women between the
ages of 18- 35 years old. Please contact: Sr. Mairead O.P. at : sienavoc@gmail.com Tel: 041
9838524**

**DANCING TO OLIVIA DOUGLAS: IN GULLANES HOTEL BALLINASLOE on
SATURDAY 21st. MARCH 2026, ADMISSION 15 EURO, DANCING FROM 10pm.
PROCEEDS FROM THIS DANCE GO TOWARDS TAUGHMACONNELL
COMMUNITY CARE. YOUR SUPPORT WOULD BE APPRECIATED.**

**"Have you ever thought about fostering?" Change a child's life by becoming a Tusla
Foster Carer. Talk to Tusla Fostering today by freephone 1800 226 771 or visit
www.fostering.ie to learn more.**

Annual Pioneer Primary Schools & Teenage Youth & Sporting Clubs

**Quiz Night takes place in Emerald Ballroom, Ballinasloe on Friday 20th March, 8 – 10
pm. See www.creideamh.ie/ptaa-quiz for more info. Teams must pre-register. All
welcome.**

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

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SUNDAY 15th. MASS @ 10am. FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT.

Gabrielle Molloy, Faha (3rd. Anniv)

Paddy Burke, Caltragh (56th. Anniv)

Kitty Broderick, Cloonkeenkerrill (17th. Anniv)

Madie Broderick, and the deceased members of the Broderick Family.

TUESDAY 17th. MASS @ 10am. ST. PATRICK'S DAY.

SUNDAY 22nd. MASS @ 10am. FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT.

Mass for the People of the Parish.

St Patrick's Day Migrant Collection Thank you for your contributions to this special collection that goes to support the work of Irish Chaplaincies abroad and Pastoral Outreach for Irish Emigrants around the world.

Gurteen N.S. Open Evening: Join us on Thursday, March 19th , from 6:00 – 7:00 pm for our Open Evening. Prospective parents and children are invited to visit the school, meet our students and teachers, and get a flavour of school life. Morning club and After – school service available. Tel: 090 9677966

www.gurteenns.com<<http://www.gurteenns.com><<http://www.gurteenns.com/>>>

PADRAIG PEARSES GAA CLUB LOTTO: RESULTS OF THE LOTTO DRAW WHICH TOOK PLACE ON MONDAY 9th. MARCH. WINNING No.'s 12,16,19,28. NO WINNER, & 3 MATCH 3's, CATHERINE SKEHILL, MARK HENNELLY AND MICHAEL KELLY. NEXT WEEK'S DRAW ON MONDAY 16TH. MARCH. IN "THE LOCAL", BALLYMACWARD, FOR A JACKPOT OF €6,300. Remember you can play by downloading the Club App, Search for PADRAIG PEARSES GAA. CLUB.

CHURCH COLLECTIONS: BALLYMAC/GURTEEN. WEEK ENDING 01/02/26

(Apologies, I will publish the collection figures when I get back on my feet P.G./Gerry)

Diocese of Clonfert, Galway, Kilmacduagh and Kilfenora Pilgrimage to Lourdes

2026, led by Bishop Michael Duignan departing from Shannon 29 June for 5 nights.

Enquiries contact Society Travel, Ballinasloe 090 9645350 or Joe Walsh Tours 01 2410800

Marriage Enrichment Weekend. Knock, Co. Mayo, 20 -22 March 2026. Supporting marriages at all stages. Online: www.marriageencounter.ie

Mother and Baby Institutions Payment Scheme launched in March 2024 following the Government agreed actions arising from the Commission of Investigation into Mother and Baby homes and certain related matters. The Payment scheme provides financial payments, and health supports to eligible people who spent time in Mother and Baby and County Home Institutions in Ireland. Eligibility criteria can be found online, and applications can be made via an online portal (website below) or by post Visit: www.gov.ie/en/department-of-children-disability-and-equality/campaigns/mother-and-baby-institutions-payment-scheme/ Contact Helpline: 01 522 9922 (call to request application pack) All applications are handled with care, dignity and full confidentiality