

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

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SATURDAY 23RD. VIGIL MASS @ 7pm. THE SOLEMNITY OF PENTECOST.

Sean Cheevers, Garafine/Bermingham U.K. (First Anniv)

MONDAY 25th. MASS @ 9am. Bridgie and Jackie Dooley, Annagh (Anniv. & 100th. Birthday Rememberance) also there Daughter Marian Staunton, Moylough

FRIDAY 28th. MASS @ 7pm. Mai (13th. Anniv) and Tom Daly Liscune/Mullagh

SATURDAY 30TH. VIGIL MASS @ 7pm. FEAST OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY.

Thomas (Tom) Costello, U.S.A. & formerly Liscuib, died March 1st. 2026 in the U.S., we also remember his Father Thomas Costello who died 30th. May 1939, and is buried with his wife Ellen in Ballymacward Old Cemetery.

Michael Madden, Garrymore (6th. Anniv) and the deceased members of the Madden Family.

MASS SERVERS FOR MAY: CLARE HILLARY, ZARA KELLY

READER FOR MAY: LAURA FINN

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS MAY: ANNE KINDREGAN & MAJELLA CAMPBELL. (16th., 23rd. & 30th.)

FAMILY BINGO: SUNDAY 31st. MAY @ 7pm. PUT IT IN YERE DIARIES, IT'S A BANK HOLIDAY WEEKEND, NO EXCUSES, NO SCHOOL MONDAY. YIPEE.

Bowel Cancer Awareness Month Bowel cancer is one of the most common cancers, but when detected early, it is highly treatable. You can reduce your risk of bowel cancer by eating healthy (high fibre, limit processed meat/red meat), limiting alcohol, maintain a healthy weight, being physically active, and getting help to quit smoking. Bowel screening is available to everyone aged 57-71 year See www.hse.ie/bowelscreen

Mountbellew CE Scheme Vacancies/Maintenance Workers/ General Operatives Duties to include: Working in Mountbellew with responsibility for cutting grass, litter control, keeping public areas tidy and general maintenance around the town. Working as part of team on the environmental sites. Flexible working hours. For further details please contact Sean O' Neill on 090 9679085 /0871209739 or email mountbellewdd@gmail.com

Join this year's Young Adult Camino Pilgrimage (ages 18–35), 11th–20th July 2026. Walk the final 100km from Sarria to Santiago with Bishop Michael Duignan. Step out in faith and experience the grace of the Camino. Includes flights, accommodation and visit to Finisterre Contact youthpilgrimage@clonfertgalway.ie

65 or OLDER ???: If you are 65 or older and would like to apply for a personal alarm, under the Seniors Alert Scheme Grant, for your safety and peace of mind, please call Galway Contact at 091 867892 or email galwaycontact@gmail.com

HopeSpace supports children and young people (4-17 years) grieving the loss of someone they love. We provide a free one-to-one in person listening service in a confidential, caring and supportive environment. Contact Áine at support@hopespace.ie or call 091 342566/087 4667506 for more details

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

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SUNDAY 24th. MASS @ 10am. THE SOLEMNITY OF PENTECOST.

David Finnerty, Cloonkeenkerrill (11th. Anniv)
Pauline and Martin Coppinger, Killuane (9th, and 14th. Anniv)
Joe Molloy, Gurteen (4th. Anniv)
Mary Ann and John Bodkin, Shanballyeeshal (16th. and 30th. Anniv)
Joe Cogavin and the deceased members of the Cogavin Family, Gurteen.

SATURDAY 30th. FIRST HOLY COMMUNION MASS @ 11am.

SUNDAY 31st. MASS @ 10am. FEAST OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY.

Mary and Bernie Naughton, Cloonkeenkerrill (7th. and 26th. Anniv)

R.I.P.: Your prayers are requested for Mrs. Rose Earls, New Inn, Mother of Paula Naughton, Gurteen, who died in the past week.

PADRAIG PEARSES GAA CLUB LOTTO: RESULTS OF THE LOTTO DRAW WHICH TOOK PLACE ON MONDAY 18th. MAY. WINNING No.'s 4,11,18,25. ONE WINNER, CONGRATS TO JUSTIN DORAN, WHO WINS €7,200. & THER WERE NO MATCH 3's. NEXT WEEK'S DRAW ON MONDAY 25th. MAY. IN "RUANE'S BAR", GLENTANE, FOR A JACKPOT OF €2,000. You can play by downloading the Club App, Search for PADRAIG PEARSES GAA. CLUB

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
CHURCH COLLECTIONS: BALLYMAC/GURTEEN. WEEK ENDING 16/17 – 05/26

W/ENVELOPES	€513.70	W/ENVELOPES	€251.20
LOOSE PLATE	€ 91.90	LOOSE PLATE	€ 53.80
PRIESTS RETIRE	€ 40.00	PRIESTS SUMMER	€ 10.00
HOLY PLACES...	€ 5.00	POPES	€ 3.20
PASTORAL DEV.	€ 5.00		

Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2026: Calling Young Adults to Join the 2026 Pilgrimage to Lourdes Between the ages of 18 and 25? Interested in joining the Clonfert, Galway, Kilmacduagh and Kilfenora Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2026 as a member of pilgrimage staff? Become part of the vibrant team assisting pilgrims who otherwise would not be able to travel. For those who have taken part in the past it has been an unforgettable and enriching experience. This year's pilgrimage takes place from 29 June to 4 July. For further information, staff rates, and application forms contact Darina, mob. 085 2288043, email dmccarthy@clonfertgalway.ie, or contact your local parish priest.

"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.

National Learning Network Athlone is offering places on the Landscape Maintenance\ Horticulture and Gardening course for our centre in Blyry. Potential students who need an occupational intervention in their lives from mental wellbeing or learning support point of view can Contact 0860114368 (Martin) ASAP, Martin will explore with you the possibilities for your future. 16 to 65 years of age qualify, QQI level 4 Qualification if desired. This is a Free course and all your payments and entitlements will be protected. National Learning Network has lots of other courses for people who needs support and help with life and career. Please contact 086 0114368.

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