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

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SATURDAY 24th. VIGIL MASS @ 7pm. THIRTIETH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR. (HARVEST THANKSGIVING MASS)

Michael Loughnane, Ballinastack (3rd. Anniv)
Saebh Leye, Corskeagh (7th. Anniv)
Vincent and Kathleen Costello, Mounthazel/Ballymacward (Anniv)

MONDAY 26th. MASS @ 9am.

SATURDAY 31st. VIGIL MASS @ 7pm. THIRTY FIRST SUNDAY OF THE YEAR. (FEAST OF ALL SAINTS)

John Tuohy, Carana (4th. Anniv)
Jack and Eva Murphy, Esker (19th. & 12th. Anniv)

WINTER TIME: Winter time begins THIS WEEKEND 24th/25th. OCTOBER, with the CLOCK'S going BACK 1 HOUR.

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS FOR OCTOBER; SEAN HOGAN & TOMAS HILLARY (24TH. & 31ST.)

HALLOWEEN BINGO: THIS SUNDAY **25th. OCTOBER @ 7pm** SHARP, **IT'S THE BANK HOLIDAY WEEKEND, NO SCHOOL ON MONDAY, AND YE WILL HAVE HAD AN EXTRA HOUR IN BED ON SATURDAY NIGHT DUE TO THE CLOCKS GOING BACK FOR WINTER TIME, LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING YOU ALL THERE.**

SOCIAL CLUB: this **THURSDAY 29th. OCTOBER @ 2-30pm.**

MUSIC/VIDEO.

AGM: The AGM of Craobh Chuain CCE will be held in Castleblakeney Heritage Centre on Sunday 25th of October at 7pm.New members are welcome.

THANK YOU: The Ballymacward & Gurteen Social Club want to acknowledge with thanks Galway County Council (LEP) Local Enhancement Programme for their 2026 grant funding. This has enabled the purchase of essential equipment which will be invaluable to the Club members in their weekly meetings at Ballymacward Community Hall.

PADRAIG PEARSES GAA CLUB LOTTO: **RESULTS OF THE LOTTO DRAW WHICH TOOK PLACE ON MONDAY 19th. OCTOBER. WINNING NUMBERS 2,7,15,27, THERE WERE 2 MATCH 3's, JACK BARRETT & LEO MORRISSEY. NEXT WEEK'S DRAW ON MONDAY 26TH. OCTOBER. IN "BRODERICK'S BAR", KILLCONNELL, FOR A JACKPOT OF €4,200. You can play by downloading the Club App, Search for PADRAIG PEARSES GAA. CLUB.**

PILATES CLASSES – BALLYMACWARD HALL: A new 6-week block of Pilates classes starts in Ballymacward Hall in November! Class times: - Thursday, 5th November: 7pm and 8pm. Friday, 6th November: 10am. - Friday, 6th November: 11am – A specifically designed class for over 60s to help support independent living as we age. For more information or to book your place, contact Síle on 087 921 5735. Places are limited, so early booking is advised!

St. Michael's. / Fr. Michael Griffin Memorial Church, Gurteen.
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SUNDAY 25th. MASS @ 10am. THIRTIETH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR.
(HARVEST THANKSGIVING MASS)
Noel Finnerty, Cloonkeenkerrill (2nd. Anniv)
John Kelly, Corskeagh (11th. Anniv)

FRIDAY 30th. MASS @ 8pm Margaret Cunniffe, Attymany.
(1st. Anniv)

SUNDAY 1st. MASS @ 10am. THIRTY FIRST SUNDAY OF THE YEAR.
(FEAST OF ALL SAINTS)
Mollie and William Dilleen, Gurteen (Anniv)

CHURCH COLLECTIONS: BALLYMAC/GURTEEN. WEEK ENDING 17/18– 10/26

W/ENVELOPES	€325.00	W/ENVELOPES	€309.40
LOOSE PLATE	€ 65.70	LOOSE PLATE	€ 61.70
CANDLES	€ 63.10		
PRIESTS AUTUMN	€ 70.00	PRIESTS AUTUMN	€110.00
MISSIONS	€176.00	MISSIONS	€177.00
ALL SAINTS	€ 5.00	ALL SAINTS	€ 5.00
ALL SOULS	€ 5.00	ALL SOULS	€ 5.00

Beginning Sunday 8th November 7-9pm; in Ballinasloe Family centre: a six week journey with the Gospel of John; Initiative Objectives
To support participants draw close to God through a shared reading and pondering of John's Gospel.
To help participants toward a more wholesome understanding of John's Gospel as an aid to encounter with God.
To stimulate learning and faith-enquiry in a gentle, light-hearted and non-threatening way
To support short periods of scripture-based prayer (led and directed by group facilitators)
To foster the bonds of friendship between Catholics and other people of goodwill who participate.
All are welcome! If you have enjoyed this type of initiative before, please invite a friend.
Places are limited; message John 087 9068032
We are grateful to Achonry/Elphin Pastoral Faith Development Service for resources.

DRAMA: The Seamus O'Kelly Players present "THE STATIONS" A 3 act comedy in the TEMPERANCE HALL, LOUGHREA on Thursday, Saturday & Sunday (29th./31st. Oct. & 1st. Nov.) Tickets €15.00 @ the Door. Show starts 8pm. SHARP.

New Opportunity - 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 or 087 1209739 or email mountbellewdd@gmail.com

A Weekend Like No Other Catholic Marriage Encounter Weekend St. Mary's, Knock, Co. Mayo Friday 9th to Sunday 11th April 2027 This residential weekend starts at 7.30pm

on Friday and finishes at 4.30pm on Sunday, and is open to all married couples. Online booking only at www.marriageencounter.ie

Save the Date! **Mountbellew Christmas Market will be on again this year on Sunday 22nd. November at the Ag College Gym. Traders wanted! Anyone interested in a stall can text or WhatsApp Ciaran on 087 123 0981.**

Western Alzheimers urgently need Volunteer Befrienders in your area. Do you have one to two hours per week to spare? Contact Lucy at 094-9364900 or 087-3694477.

World Youth Day 2027 Seoul Ages 19-30 Expression of Interest

Are you interested in joining our pilgrimage to Korea for World Youth Day 2027? If so, send an email with your name, age and parish to dlohan@clonfertgalway.ie Travel Dates will be 27th July - 12th August 2027 approx.

BALLYMACWARD BOOK: A second print of the book, is available at Ruane's Pub (Glentane), Miland's Garden Centre (Mountbellew), Herbie Parker (Ballymacward) and Salmon's Shop (Ballinasloe). Salmons also provide an online service. Thanks to all the parishioners for their support.