

St. Peter and Paul's Church, Ballymacward. "Ballinasloe Faith Community Area"

EIRCODE H53 YH60

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Saturday 9<sup>th</sup>. **Vigil Mass at 8pm. THE TWENTY THIRD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR**  
**Dympna Power (Nee Madden) Ennis & Ballymacward (1st. Anniv)**  
Teresa Neill, Moylough/Annagh. (5<sup>th</sup>. Anniv)  
Jackie Neill, Annagh. (18<sup>th</sup>. Anniv)  
Gabriel Lally, Hampstead (7<sup>th</sup>. Anniv)  
Eugene Murphy, Whitepark (8<sup>th</sup>. Anniv)

Monday 11<sup>th</sup>. **Mass at 9am.** Margaret and Patrick Geraghty, Lisheen (28<sup>th</sup>. & 24<sup>th</sup>. Anniv)

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup>. **Mass at 9am.**

Friday 15<sup>th</sup>. **NO EVENING MASS IN BALLYMACWARD.**

Saturday 16<sup>th</sup>. **Vigil Mass at 8pm. THE TWENTY FOURTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR**  
Martin Scarry, Attyregan (2<sup>nd</sup>. Anniv)  
The deceased members of the Costello Family, Lisuib.  
Peter and Mary Ann Conheeneey, Annagh, and the deceased members of  
the Conheeneey Family.

**SUNDAY 17<sup>th</sup>. HARVEST THANKSGIVING SERVICE WOODLAWN CHURCH**  
**@ 4pm. GUEST PREACHER ON THE EVENING IS BROTHER**  
**ALPHSONUS O.F.M. MOUNTBELLEW. EVERYONE WELCOME**

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS FOR SEPTEMBER: NORA BARRETT, JOAN TANNIAN,**  
**(2<sup>nd</sup>., 9<sup>th</sup>. & 16<sup>th</sup>.)**  
**CATRIONA HYNES, SEAN HOGAN (23<sup>rd</sup>., & 30<sup>th</sup>.)**

**SOCIAL CLUB: This Thursday 14<sup>th</sup>. SEPT. PUZZLES & GAMES.**

**PADRAIG PEARSES GAA CLUB: RESULTS OF THE LOTTO DRAW WHICH**  
**TOOK PLACE ON MONDAY 4<sup>th</sup>. SEPTEMBER WINNING No.'s 1,6,11,12, NO**  
**WINNER, & 1 MATCH 3, MICHAEL & ANGELA FINNERTY. NEXT WEEK'S**  
**DRAW ON MONDAY NIGHT 11<sup>th</sup>. SEPTEMBER, IN BURKE'S, COLEMANSTOWN,**  
**FOR A JACKPOT OF €5,700. PLAY LOTTO ONLINE @ <http://tinyurl.com/vgpyqc2q>**

**HALL MEETING: Ballymacward Parish Hall has served our Parish extremely well for**  
**the last number of years. The current committee now require help to get the Disco's**  
**back up and running, and to keep the Hall fully operational so that it can continue to**  
**serve our community. There is an open invitation to all parishioners and**  
**community/sports groups to attend a meeting on THURSDAY 21<sup>st</sup>. SEPTEMBER @ 7-**  
**30pm., in the Hall. "Support our Parish Hall" Hoping to see a full house on Sept. 21<sup>st</sup>.**

St. Michael's.

Fr. Michael Griffin Memorial Church, Gurteen. "Ballinasloe Faith Community Area" EIRCODE H53 PN24 (Listen to Mass at 101.4 fm)

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Sunday 10<sup>th</sup>. Mass at 10am. **TWENTY THIRD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR.**  
Nora and John Dempsey, Colemanstown (7<sup>th</sup>. & 47<sup>th</sup>. Anniv)  
Fr. Vincent Lawless (Former Curate of the Parish) (Anniv)

Friday 15<sup>th</sup>. Mass at **8pm**. Thomas and Mary McDonagh, Shanballymore (Anniv)

Sunday 17<sup>th</sup>. Mass at 10am. **TWENTY FOURTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR.**  
Thomas and Margaret Molloy, Clough.

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**CHURCH COLLECTIONS: BALLYMAC/GURTEEN. W/E 03/09/23 & 04/09/2023**

W/Envelopes.	€649.70	W/Envelopes	€255.50
Loose Plate	€ 27.40	Loose Plate	€ 32.00
PRIESTS SUMMER	€ 90.00		
PRIESTS AUTUMN	€ 85.00	PRIESTS AUTUMN	€ 50.00
PRIESTS CHRISTMAS	€ 5.00		
HOLY DAYS	€ 38.00	ASSUMPTION	€ 5.00
ACCORD	€ 14.00		
POPES	€ 6.00		
ALL SOULS	€ 20.00		

**Silent Retreat: Theme:** "If you but knew the gift of God..." Preached by: Fr. Kilian Byrne, Foyer of Charity Venue: St. Mary's Accommodation, Knock, Co. Mayo Date: October 16<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup> Cost: €495 full board Contact: Helen: 00353 86 1678027 / [hellywilliams@gmail.com](mailto:hellywilliams@gmail.com)  
[www.foyerofcharity.ie](http://www.foyerofcharity.ie) A privileged time to come away from noise and distractions, and listen to the Spirit of God, - Who is Love. Silence, prayer, teachings & liturgy of the Church.

**Gamblers Anonymous** – Want to stop Gambling Helpline 086 349 4450 Weekly Meetings Tuesday GELS Room, Main Street Ballinasloe H53 RC95 @ 8pm.

**The Adoration Chapel, Loughrea** is opened from 8am to 8pm six days a week. We are looking for people to give one hour a week in prayer in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament. If you have an hour to spare, please contact 087 2108480 or the Parish Office 091 841212

**Keeping Connected** Why not visit Clonfert Diocese Facebook Page or follow on Clonfert Diocese Twitter.

**Season of Creation** will run from 1 September until 4 October, in accord with the theme of the Message for the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation, 1 September 2023, Pope

Francis calls us to be just in every situation, to harmonise with creation and to be mindful of the victims of climate injustice. This year's theme highlights that, by doing a little to care for our water supply – our local streams and rivers – each of us can also contribute to the flow of justice and peace in our world and so renew our relationship with creation. As with our current Synodal Process, we pray that our efforts to promote climate justice may continue to flow together to as a source of life for our Church and for our common home. Please note that Season of Creation resources are now available on the homepage of [catholicbishops.ie](http://catholicbishops.ie), including:

Homiletic aids for each Sunday of the season and the outline of a liturgy that could be celebrated at a local river;

How to participate in our initiative to set aside 30% of parish grounds for the cultivation of biodiversity; and,

The Message for the World Day of Prayer of Pope Francis for the Care of Creation, 1 September 2023.

**Adult Art Classes, Lusmagh.** For beginners and advanced. Tues 19th Sept 10am-12pm, Tues 19th Sept 8pm-10pm, Wed 20th Sept 10am-12pm. €100 for 5 weeks. All materials supplied following a step-by-step painting or an image of your choice. Contact 087-3217089 or email [lisaglynn50@gmail.com](mailto:lisaglynn50@gmail.com)

**Loughrea 1824** - For Heritage Week, a limited edition booklet on Loughrea town at the time of Pigot's Directory two hundred years ago has been produced with all proceeds going to charity. For more, email [sakdolan@hotmail.com](mailto:sakdolan@hotmail.com) or visit [www.heritageweek.ie/](http://www.heritageweek.ie/).

## **Prayer for Vocations in the Diocese of Clonfert:**

Lord of the Harvest,

Bless young people in the Diocese of Clonfert with the gift of  
Courage to respond to your call of service.

Open their hearts to great ideals and wonderful things.

Inspire all of your disciples to mutual love and giving;

For vocations blossom in the rich soil of faithful people.

Inspire priests and religious, all our parishioners and families

With the confidence and grace to invite our young people

To consider the exciting and noble path of life dedicated and consecrated to You.

Unite us to Jesus

Through prayer and sacrament,

So that we may cooperate

With you in building your kingdom of

Mercy and truth, of justice and peace.

Amen.