

KILLASSER/CALLOW

PARISH NEWSLETTER

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Second Sunday of Easter April 24th 2022

**MASS INTENTION**

Sat 23rd Killasser 7pm Evening Mass

Sun 24th Callow 10am **Kathleen Thompson**, & all deceased, Cuillenaughten

Sun 24th Killasser 12 noon **Mary Nolan**, Months Mind

Mon 25th Killasser 10am Morning Mass

Wed 27th Killasser 10am Morning Mass

Thurs 28th Callow 10am Morning Mass

Fri 29th Killasser 7pm **Fr. Johns 60th Birthday Mass**

Sat 30th Killasser 7pm **Tommie Howley,** Months Mind, Carramore

Sun 1st May Callow 10am **Mike Kirrane** & his parents **Michael & Mary Ann**, Coolcastle

Sun 1st Killasser 12 noon People of the Parish

**PRAY FOR**

**Margaret Osbourne nee Meehan,** Formerly Cartron, who died in UK

**Thomas Byrne**, Bohola, husband of Maureen Byrne nee Howley (formerly Killasser)

**Jim Dwyer,** Derreen

**Mary Nolan,** Drumalooaun

**Thomas Howley,** Carramore

**Frank Timlin,** Prebaun

**MINISTERS OF THE WORD IN KILLASSER CHURCH**

A new rota for Readers is now being compiled. In addition to those who were already on the list, we encourage anyone who would

like to read the Word of God at weekend Masses to please give their name to Fr John.

**EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS IN KILLASSER CHURCH**

A new rota of current Eucharistic ministers is also being compiled.It is important that new people would come forward for this important role in the church. A preparation course and training will be provided and a commissioning ceremony will be held in due course.

We are very grateful to the loyal group of Readers and Eucharistic Ministers that we currently have, but new volunteers are needed so that the same people are not called upon too frequently. Please do consider it.

**SYNODAL PATHWAY MEETINGS**

As part of our engagement with the Synodal Pathway, initiated by Pope Francis, I am holding a number of facilitated listening events in four venues across the diocese over the next few weeks. These meetings will be an opportunity for all of us together to reflect on our Church, to look at what is helping us to grow as communities of faith and to see where we can better support one another in our faith journey. Many parishioners have already returned their responses to the questionnaire I sent out last month, and I am grateful for those, which have surfaced many issues on which we will all need to reflect. The forthcoming meetings provide a further opportunity for us to hear one another in an even more open way. The meetings are open to all who wish to share their views on the Church, and I would welcome especially those who may feel alienated or who have felt let down by the Church in the past. It is by listening to one another and being in conversation that we can best discover where God is leading us at this time. Feel free to come to the venue which is most convenient for you. The arrangement for our meetings is:

. Fr Peyton Cluster: Tuesday, April 26th Attymass – the Father Peyton Centre at 8.00 pm

. St Attracta’s Cluster: Wednesday, April 27th, Tubbercurry – An Chroi South Sligo Enterprise Centre (adjacent to Basta premises) at 8.00

. St Joseph’s Cluster: Tuesday, May 3rd, Swinford, the Gateway Hotel, at 8.00 pm

.Tubbercurry Cluster: Wednesday, May 4th, Ballisodare, the Parish Hall at 8.00 pm

**LINE DANCING**

Line dancing in Brown Memorial Hall, Foxford on 28th April 2022 at 7pm

**NATURE MATTERS**

Nature Matters is a group of parishioners who have come together to improve awareness of our environment and the importance of biodiversity. New members are always welcome.

'O unworn world enrapture me,

enrapture me in a web of fabulous grass and eternal voices by a beech...'

Patrick Kavanagh

**KCC-FEBRUARY 2022 50/50 DRAW**

The March 50/50 draw jackpot was €700 and was won by Denise O’Hara (Knocks). Helen Mooney and John & Geraldine Burke won a €20 spot prize each. Congratulations to everyone. The April draw will take place on Sunday 1st May in the Turf Shed. A list of future monthly draws will be included in the upcoming newsletter.

**25 CARD DRIVE**

The Community Care Committee and Centre Committee held a 25 Card Drive on Monday 11th April. The prize money was €1,000 with spot prizes also available. 1st prize of €600 went to Ann Rowley & Brian Rowley, 2nd prize of €250 went to Junior Tuffy & Martin James Loftus while 3rd Prize of €160 was shared between Eugene O’Neill & Val Heaney, Matt Duggan & TP Loftus, Brian McNulty & John Gallagher and Maureen Loftus & Seamus Conwell. There were 25 spot prizes shared among the participants. €1,870 was raised on the night which will be split 50/50 between the two committees. The Hyland Family along with both committees would like to thank all who attended and supported the event plus the businesses who provided sponsorship and spot prizes.

**SCRAP METAL COLLECTION**

A Scrap Metal Collection is planned for the weekend of the 23rd & 24th April. Metals, copper, aluminum and batteries, etc. accepted. Please contact a member of the committee or Paul Hyland @ 087 610 9192 to arrange a drop off or collection.

**KCC-AGM**

The AGM is planned to take place on Friday 20th May 2022. More details to follow

**KILLASSER COMMUNITY CAR**

The KCC committee recently liaised with Local Link Mayo (LLM) in relation to the potential of LLM funding a community car. If these discussions prove successful some funding will be made available to cover the cost of a car (to be leased), car insurance and tax and general running costs. This service would run on a trail basis to facilitate social and recreational activities within the parish. A volunteer group of drivers will need to be established to run the service. More details to follow.

**LOCAL LINK MAYO SERVICES**

Local Link Mayo is happy to confirm that the Friday service from Killasser to Swinford has returned to full capacity. Please contact Local Link at 094 900 5150 if interested or want more information. The bus picks up in Killasser Village at 10.30am and stops at Creggane and Ballincurra on route to Swinford with the bus returning from Swinford at 2pm. The route can be modified to facilitate door to door pick up and drop off. The service is free for those who have a Free Travel Pass. Adults €2.50 single, €5 return. Students/U-18’s €1.5 single, €3 return. U-5’s Free.

**KCC-BROADBAND HUB**

If anyone wishes to use the broadband hub in Killasser Community Centre please contact a member of the committee or Paul Hyland @ 087 610 9192

**OTHER PARISH EVENTS PLANNED FOR 2022**

Please see below a list of some parish events that are planned for 2022. The events are listed in chronological order but this is subject to change with more details to follow in due course. Please contact Fr. John if you wish to have an event added to this list. A more comprehensive list of all parish events may be drawn up and included in the parish newsletter.

Scrap Metal Collection: Weekend 23rd & 24th April

Fr. John’s birthday Mass and Party: Friday 29th April 7pm Church & 8pm Turf Shed

Confirmation: Saturday 14th May 12 noon

KCC AGM: Friday 20th May

St. Georges v Killasser Soccer: Saturday 18th June

Mia’s Mini Tractor, Bike & Trike Run: Sunday 14th August

Willie O’Neill Football Tournament: Saturday 20th August

Parish Calendar Competition Results: September (TBD)

Tara’s Run for Fun: Saturday 8th October

Friday Night Indoor Soccer to return: Early October (TBD)

Killasser Tractor Drive: Sunday 6th November

Saint Stephen’s Day Walk: Monday 26th December

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**SYNOD PRAYER**

“We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name. With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts; Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it. We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder. Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions. Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right. All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever. Amen”

A Synod is a process of listening and walking together as a Church. We will give more details later about how you can be involved.