

KILLASSER/CALLOW

PARISH NEWSLETTER

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Feast of Holy Family 26th December 2021

**MASS INTENTION FOR THE NEXT MONTH**

Fri 24th Killasser 8pm **Christmas Mass**

Sat 25th Callow 9.30am **Christmas Mass**

Sat 25th Killasser 12 Noon **Christmas Mass**

Sat 25th Killasser **No Evening Mass**

Sun 26th Callow 10am People of the Parish

Sun 26th Killasser 12 Noon **John & Nellie Doonan**, Dromada Duke

Mon 27th 10am Killasser Christmas Octave Mass

Sat 1st Jan 2022 7pm **Padraic Durkan, Rubble**.

Sun 2nd Jan 10am Callow New Year’s Sunday Mass

**John McGowan**, Cuilenaughton, **Kathleen McGarry**, Fintona & Ballinaleck.

No 12 Noon Mass today.

**PRAY FOR**

**Annie Kate McManus nee Dunne ,** aunt of Ann Convey, Swinford, sister of the late Joe Dunne & Margaret Gavigan, Knocks

**Rosemary O’Keefe**, daughter of Kevin &sister of Frank O’Keefe, who died in the UK.

**Mary Devane,** Cloonfinish

**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.

Blessed is the season which engages the whole earth in a conspiracy of Love.

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**THE MEMORY TREE IN KILLASSER CHURCH**

The special Memory Tree will be set up in Killasser Church on December 8th. We welcome everyone to hang a little momento on the tree in memory of their passed loved ones - a decoration, a photo, a poem, their name or something small belonging to them. This can be left on the tree for the festive season & collected in the New Year. It is a special thought to have something remembering our loved ones in the Church for this time of year. In-keeping with covid guidelines, the tree and anything hanging on the tree will be regularly sanitized. Please be mindful that the Church is open to the public & the tree is accessible to anyone visiting the church, we cannot accept responsibility for the loss of anything on the Tree.

**KCC-NOVEMBER 50/50 DRAW**

The November 50/50 draw jackpot was **€690** and was won by **Mary & Thomas Marren**.   Congratulations to Mary & Thomas!   **Eleanor & John Howley**and **Paul Walsh**won a €20 spot prize each.   The December draw will take place on **Sunday 2nd January 2022**in the Turf Shed and the jackpot will be a minimum of**€1,000**.

The committee would like to thank the parish for its support throughout the year and also a sincere word of thanks to Fr John and the Parish Team who edit the newsletter for their generous help during the year. We wish you all a very happy and safe Christmas with best wishes for the year ahead.

**A Word of Thanks**

I want to thank everyone who give of their time and talents to our parish. To all the Committees and Councils for their great and valuable work for our Parish. To the Readers, Eucharistic ministers, Altar Society and all who play music in our Churches and sing even in these Covid times. To all who decorated our Churches for Christmas - to Sacristans and Volunteers. I want to thank all Stewards and Sanitisers and those who support them. They are the heroes of our days. There are groups who help our young people in sport and who keep our Community Centre and Water Scheme going. We are all very grateful to them.

Thanks to those who help me in my house and who support me. Many people have brought food and presents to me over the last days. It means a lot. I want to thank you all in advance for the Offerings you will give me for the Priest’s Collection. Some of you have already donated to me and thanks a million. Many of you pray for me and, God knows, I know I need them.

**Happy Christmas To Everyone**

**And a Happy New Year 2022**

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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.