



KILLASSER / CALLOW PARISH NEWSLETTER



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THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

11th December 2022

MASS INTENTION

Sat 10th Killasser 12:30pm

Sat 10th Killasser 7pm

Sun 11th Callow 10am

Sun 11th Killasser 12 noon

Mon 12th Killasser 10am

Fri 16th Killasser 7pm

Sat 17th Killasser 7pm

Sun 18th Callow 10am

Sun 18th Killasser 12 noon

Monica Grufferty, Months Mind

Martin & Geraldine McNulty & grand-daughter **Nicola** & deceased members of the **McNulty & Kirrane** families.

Michael & Annie McIntyre & deceased members of the **McIntyre** family

Kathleen Adams & James Adams, Cloonfinish

Miceal & Bridie Sheridan, Blackpatch

Willie O'Neill, Creggaune & deceased **O'Neill** and **Kneafsey**
Morning Mass

People of the Parish

Morning Mass

Evening Mass

John, Tommy & Brigie Holleran, Dunmaynor

People of the Parish

Morning Mass

PRAY FOR

Mary Bergin Normanly, 1st cousin of Phyliss Cunney, died in New York

Elaine Tolan, Dublin & Foxford, 1st cousin of Vincent Hughes

Eileen Moran, Breaffy, Castlebar, sister of Ann McManus, Cartron

Beattie Goonan nee Keane, who died in Scotland, aunt of Patricia Keane Smith, Lismorane

Josie Howley, Dunmaynor

Teresa FitzMaurice, Sunningdale, England, sister of Michael Ruddy.

Monica Grufferty, Carramore

Emily Grufferty, Curryane, aunt of Tom Grufferty

Date for First Communion 2023: Saturday 13th of May

BEREAVEMENT & FUNERAL GROUP

We are in the process of putting together a Bereavement & Funeral Group in our parish. Thanks to those who were willing to join the group. We had a very positive meeting recently. As our circumstances change we need to prepare for the inevitable.

THE MEMORY TREE IN KILLASSER CHURCH

The special Memory Tree will be set up in Killasser Church before mass on December 10th. We welcome everyone to hang a little memento 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. 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.

KNOCK MARKET

Kick start your Christmas with a visit to Pope Francis Plaza, Knock where we will hold a two day Christmas event Saturday 10th & Sunday 11th December, 10.00 am to 4.00 pm.

Saturday Market we welcome Knock Foroige who will fundraise for their club. Don't forget to pop by and support our young teenage boys and girls.

We are so excited to announce that Santa will visit Christmas @ the Plaza Sunday, 11th December @ 2pm. So let all the kiddies know that Santa Clause is coming to town.

We have fabulous handmade gifts to kick off your Christmas shopping, with over 40 traders over two days, adjacent to Knock Shrine just off the N17. Lots to see and do in the village with lovely restaurants and gift shops close by with free parking and wheelchair accessible. Knock Market @ the Plaza is the market to visit this Christmas.

SWINFORD ACTIVE MINDS -CHRISTMAS FLORAL DEMO

Swinford Active Minds are hosting a Christmas Floral Demo on Wed 14th Dec at 8pm in Swinford Cultural Centre. Proceeds being donated to The Butterfly Garden Swinford & Swinford NS Autistic Unit. Tickets €10. To book a ticket, please call/text Natasha on 086 3622522.

RECONCILIATION OPPORTUNITY FOR CHRISTMAS

A Reconciliation Opportunity will take place in Killasser Church on Sat 17th at 12 noon for one hour. A Visiting priest will be available for Confession. There will also be a similar Opportunity in Callow Church on Monday eve 19th Dec from 7 to 8pm.

INTERVIEW WITH CATHY CHUCK

Youtube recently interviewed **Cathy Chuck** from the Pastoral Council. To watch the interview go to **Youtube** then search **Killasser Pastoral Council Interviews**. Enjoy. There is also a video about the **Advent Wreath**. There is also a video about the **Grow in Love Sacred Space**.

NEW VILLAGE CHRISTMAS TREE

It is planned to turn on the new village Christmas Tree on **Saturday 10th December** after evening mass. All welcome.

NOLLAIG NA MBAN 2022

Nollaig na mBan social takes place in the Turf Shed on **Saturday 7th January 2023 from 4pm**. Places are limited. Tickets €35. To reserve/purchase a ticket please contact Darren or Paul Hyland.

KCC-AGM

The AGM for Killasser Community Centre is scheduled for Friday 13th January 2023 at 8.30pm.

N26 CLOONGULLANE BRIDGE PUBLICATION

If you wish to obtain a copy of the recently published "**Cloongullane Bridge Past & Present**" please contact Paul Hyland (087 610 9192) .

SAINT STEPHEN'S DAY WALK

The St Stephen's Day walk/run this year will begin at Callow Church at 12noon. It will be led by Patrick Hyland, our own international Walk champion. This year, Patrick won the gold medal at the Schools International Athletic Board meeting in the 3000m Race Walking event. Join us for a little after-Christmas exercise at your own pace. Even if you don't feel up to walking, do come along to enjoy some tea and treats and listen to local musicians who will provide lively entertainment afterwards. All proceeds will support the parish finances.

NATURE MATTERS

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

In December, nature seems to sleep but there is still plenty activity going on all around us. The decomposing leaves that have fallen by the wayside provide a warm habitat to a multitude of insects and worms. This is why we often see blackbirds rooting through the leaf litter when the ground is frozen. So we should not be tempted to sweep up all those decaying leaves!

Kilkelly, Co Mayo, Ireland

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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.