

KILLASSER/CALLOW

PARISH NEWSLETTER

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**OFFERTORY TROCAIRE**

Thanks so much for putting your collections through my letterbox. Please continue to do so and thanks for supporting the Priests Collection for myself. It is deeply appreciated! If you want to pay your offertory donation online go to anchonry diocese website and follow the instructions on the web page. The address is [www.achonrydioese.org](http://www.achonrydioese.org)

**CORONA VIRUS UPDATE**

From the 10th of May, we can now go to weekday mass and week-end mass with up to 50 people. I am inviting all those who used to come to week-day mass to come from the 10th of May.

Mass will be at 10am on Sunday the 16th in Callow- no more mass at 10 in killasser from the 16th of May. I hope we can record that mass and put it up on facebook each week.

No first communions are allowed until the Autumn- the teachers agreed on this with parents ages ago.

So keep safe and pray well!

**TO THE PARISH & THE WORLD**

The webcam is now working. The address is mcn Media tv/ livestreaming/all-saints-killasser. Anyone can book an intention for any of the masses at the moment. When the Churches do open we may have to restrict that to 1 intention because we will no doubt be restricted in our numbers then.

I got a lovely card from John & Eileen Tuffy in the USA saying they can see the masses on the web-cam loud and clear. Thanks John & Eileen.

**MASS INTENTION FOR THE NEXT 4 MONTHS**

Sat May 1st Killasser 7pm **Brigid, Anthony, Michael, Josephine & Caroline Dempsey**. Dempsey & Hughes deceased

Sun 2nd Killasser 10am **Mary Kate Noone**

**Matt Rowley** (21st Anniversary) & wife **Bridie,** granddaughters **Tara & Karen,** Dromada-Gore.

Mon 3rd Killasser 10am Morning Mass

Wed 4th Killasser 10am Morning Mass

Thurs 5th Killasser 10am Morning Mass

Fri 6th Killasser 7pm Evening Mass

Sat 8th Killasser 7pm **Eddie & Bridie Thompson**, Doontas

Sun 9th Killasser 10am Morning Mass

Sat 15th Killasser 7pm **Hugh Fitzmaurice**, Creggaun

Sun 16th Callow 10am Morning Mass

Sat 22nd Killasser 7pm **Mat Rowley, Sean & Kathleen**, Cloonfinish.

Sun 23rd Callow 10am Morning Mass

Friday 28th Killasser 7pm **Philip Howley** 1st Anniv, Carramore-moy, USA.

Sat 29th Killasser 7pm **Tom & Mae Tuffy** & deceased

Sat 5th June Killasser 7pm **Brigid & Thomas Kavanagh,** Carramore & deceased Kavanagh & Kilbride.

Sun 6th Callow 10am **Patsy Rowley** & parents **John & Anne Mc Gloin**, Cuillonaghton

Sat 10th July Killasser 7pm **Mia Ginty**, Rubble. Remembering **Paraic & Mary Durkan** & Durkan & Ginty deceased family members

Sun 18th Callow 10am **Cormac Sheil Jnr** & **Cormac Sheil Snr. Mary Sheil** & **Maura Sheil.**

Sun 25th Callow 10am **Patrick Noone**, Knockbawn

**Patrick & Bridget Timlin,** Prebann

**PRAY FOR**

**Nellie Lavelle,** Ballyliffin, cousin of Fr John Durkan

**Carmel Aylmer**, formerly Kirrane, Callow & sister of Pauline Kirrane, who died in Dublin.

**Margaret Ward,** Doontas & Birmingham, sister-in-law of Evelyn Ward, Doontas

**John Dunne,** Cloonfinish & Bridgeend, Wales

**Micheal O’Grady,** Caraweeny & Chicago, brother of the late Paic O’Grady & Fr Jimmy O’Grady

**REFLECTION**

Sometimes, the anxiety surrounding the publicity is as contagious as the virus itself, spreading fear and nervousness among the community. In the developed world, in particular, we are in a state of shock. In many ways, we have come to believe that we are in control of our lives, that we have a cure for every disease that we can fend off all the dangers that threaten our securities. We have built up solid walls to protect us against every unwanted guest, but now our walls have been breached, and the unwanted guest is here. Our securities no longer seem so secure, something in our world is out of our control, and many don’t know where to turn.

We hope and pray, that we will soon find a vaccine for this disease, and that it will be made widely available for everyone who needs it, rich or poor. But in the meantime, we can reflect on our shock. It’s a reminder to us that we are never in total control of our lives, that we can never eliminate every misfortune or heal every illness. Ultimately, our trust has to be in something more solid than we can ever find here on earth. Ultimately, God alone is our security. ‘God is our refuge and our strength, a helper close at hand in times of distress’ (Ps.46:1). Trust Him.

**CORONA VIRUS HEPLINE**

Corona Virus helpline for older people - 0818 222 024.

If you have concerns or queries about COVID-19 call ALONE’s dedicated support line everyday, 8am to 8pm. To volunteer your help, visit www.alone.ie.

**ARMCHAIR AZURE TOURS IN MAYO**

Mayo County Council Arts Service in partnership with local arts venues is delighted to announce Armchair Azure, a new series of free Dementia Inclusive Friendly virtual visual art tours. For those living with dementia, the virtual visual art tours are an accessible way of engaging with art online. Tours are one-hour long and are guided by a trained dementia inclusive facilitator who will guide participants through a selection of visual artworks while actively encouraging conversation and responses to each work. People are welcome to share the tour with a family member, a friend or a carer.

Contact Katriona Gillespie at Mayo County Council Arts Service at mayoarts@mayococo.ie or phone 094 9064666. We will be happy to answer your questions.

Tours will take place at 11am on the following dates: April 19th and 26th | May 4th and 17th | June 7th

**VILLAGE IMPROVEMENT**

Phase 1 of the village improvement is nearly complete. We plan to plant 4 trees along the road adjacent to the football pitch and are inviting anyone or family from the community to sponsor a "remembrance tree" in memory of a loved one. This will cost €400 & covers the cost of the tree, a tree grill, labour & a personalised name plate. If you or your family wish to participate please contact me by Wednesday 5th May. If there are more than 4 interested we will select the 4 participants by a draw. There will be future opportunities to sponsor a tree or bench in the next phase of the improvements. Thanks very much. Paul Hyland

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**World Meeting of Families Prayer**

God, our Father,

We are brothers and sisters in Jesus your Son,

One family, in the Spirit of your love.

We ask you to bless Killasser and Callow – Our Parish.

Bless us with the joy of love.

Make us patient and kind,

gentle and generous,

welcoming to those in need.

Help us to live your forgiveness and peace.

Protect all families with your loving care,

Especially those for whom we now pray:

*[We pause and remember family members and others by name].*

Increase our faith,

Strengthen our hope,

Keep us safe in your love,

Make us always grateful for the gift of life that we share.

This we ask, through Christ our Lord,