

KILLEADAN PARISH NEWSLETTER

MASSSES:

Saturdays/Eve of Holidays: 7.30pm

Sundays/Holy Days: 10.30am

All Weekdays: 10.00am

Friday Evenings: 7.30pm

CONFESSIONS: St Joseph's Chapel

Saturdays @ 2.00pm or by appointment

EXPOSITION: Every Thursday 10.30am-7.00pm

Every Friday 10.30am-7.30pm

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Office Hours: 9-11am & 2.30-5.30pm, Mon-Fri

Mass Bookings: 094 92 53607

Church Works:

Due to works continuing on Main Entrance and St Joseph's Chapel areas of the church over the months ahead, please enter by side door until further notice. For safety reasons, an extra route is available via sacristy. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, on Thursdays & Fridays will be in the Parish Centre

EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday 1st March	07.30pm	Carol Roche, Aiden St., 1st Anniversary & her father P.J. Shannon, 25th Anniversary James, Mary & J.P. Murtagh Treenlaur Michael John Walshe, Bushfield, 1st Anniversary & his parents Michael & Kitty & dec'd members of the Walshe family Attracta Ivers, Treenkeel, Month's Mind Ann McNicholas, Main St., Month's Mind
Sunday 2nd March	10.30am	People of the Parish
Monday 3rd March	10.00am	Eighth Week in Ordinary Time
Tuesday 4th March	10.00am	Eighth Week in Ordinary Time
Wednesday 5th March	10.00am 07.30pm	Ash Wednesday Ash Wednesday
Thursday 6th March	10.00am	After Ash Wednesday
Friday 7th March	10.00am 07.30pm	After Ash Wednesday Sean Walsh, 2nd Anniversary & his grandparents Martin & Margaret Cassidy, Barnacogue
Saturday 8th March	10.00am	After Ash Wednesday

FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

Saturday 8th March	07.30pm	Brendan O'Carroll & deceased of the Carroll & Conroy families, Cullilea Mary B Mc Nicholas, Cordarragh, 1st Anniversary & deceased McNicholas & Byrne families Michael John & Mary Kathleen Maloney, Cordarragh
Sunday 9th March	10.30am	People of the Parish

PRAY FOR Martin O'Brien, Castleroyan whose funeral took place on Sunday last.

WED. 5TH: The Season of Lent begins today Ash Wednesday and ends on Holy Thursday before the Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper. From then on until Easter Sunday the Church celebrates the Easter Triduum of Christ's passion, death, burial and resurrection. To experience the joy of Easter in our own lives we too must die with Christ in order to experience resurrection in our own lives. The ashes we receive today expressing the limitations of our humanity, invite us to renew our awareness of our vocation as Christians. This penitential season encourages us to an ongoing change of heart. The joy that comes from confessing our sins, showing our concern for others, prayer and reading God's word are important characteristics of Lent. We are all familiar with the traditional Lenten devotions of Stations of the Cross etc, but spending quiet time reflecting on our own life in Christ through the Lenten Scriptures is especially important. Through this time of prayer and reflection, we renew our own baptism and those promises that were made on our behalf at our baptism.

LENT 2025: Ash Wednesday, Masses with distribution of Ashes at 10am / 7.30pm; Wednesdays of lent, Masses at 7am / 10am; Stations of the Cross, Fridays 7pm
THE 2025 LENTEN MESSAGE OF POPE FRANCIS is a challenge and an encouragement for us to journey in hope together. Abstaining from alcohol is one way of offering hope and support to those who are living with addiction. A Pledge can be taken via www.pioneerassociation.org.

TRÓCAIRE BOX 2025 seeks to support the most at-risk communities in Guatemala to be more resilient to the devastating impacts of climate change.

FIRST RECONCILIATION: We pray God's blessings for the children of our Parish who will celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time this Tuesday March 4th. May they always trust in and be open to the mercy and forgiveness of God throughout their lives

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE TRANSITION YEAR STUDENTS of the 23/24 school year who received their John Paul 11 awards from Bishop Doran in St Louis Community School Chapel on Thursday last. We thank them for their contribution to our parish throughout the school year.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING on Monday last reviewed the various celebrations since the last meeting and focused on preparations for Lent, St. Patrick's Day and upcoming Jubilee celebrations. Also had a report from Cluster Steering Committee which meets every second month, discussed manner of collections from parishioners' point of view and looked forward to end of present Church works in the coming weeks.

ON SUNDAY, MARCH 23RD, there will be a short retreat for Ministers of Holy Communion, in The Peyton Centre, Attymass from 3.00 – 5.00 pm, led by Fr Tom Taaffe, Knock Shrine.

POPE'S INTENTION FOR MARCH: Let us pray that broken families might discover the cure for their wounds through forgiveness, rediscovering each other's gifts, even in their differences.

ELPHIN & ACHONRY DIOCESAN JUBILEE PILGRIMAGE TO ROME: 22nd October 2025. 5 nights €1499 per person sharing. Single supplement €300, limited availability. Led by F. Tom Hever & Fr. Vincent Sherlock. Booking: Joe Walsh Tours 012410800. Poster in side door porch.

JUBILEE YEAR YOUTH PILGRIMAGE TO ITALY visiting Rome (including Youth Jubilee with Pope Francis) Camino of St Columbanus and Day Trip to Milan . 18 – 35 year olds, 29 July – 8 Aug. €995 per person. Visit Elphindiocese.ie/ Achonrydiocese.org Poster side door entrance

FIRST FRIDAY 24 HOUR ADORATION: There will be 24 Hour Adoration in the Pastoral Centre on Friday 7th March starting after 10am Mass. The intention is to pray for Priests and for Vocations to the priesthood.

PARISH SECRETARY: Office Hours are Mon - Fri between 9am-11am & 2.30pm - 5.30pm. Call to the office attached to Swinford Parochial House or contact Francy on 094 9253607 or by email to swinfordparish@gmail.com. for booking of Masses, Baptisms, Weddings & Newsletter Items.

		Ministers Of The Word	Extraordinary Ministers Of Holy Communion	Altar Servers
Saturday 1 st March	07.30pm	Gerry King	Pat Lavin & Eadhmon MacSuibhne	T4: J. Houlihan, E. Forde, P. Byrne
Sunday 2 nd March	10.30am	Danny Doherty	Attracta Mulderrig & Walter Connell	T5: O. Ivers, Z. Kane, L. Kearney, J. O'Reilly
Saturday 8 th March	07.30pm	Michael O'Brien	Christina Cosgrove & Sarah Fitzgerald	T1: B. Kelly, E. Laffey, J. Burke
Sunday 9 th March	10.30am	Ann Patricia Forde	Ann English & Margaret Carney	T2: M. Walsh, A. Kelly, R. Leonard

CHILDREN'S CORNER – (Loyola Press) In today's Gospel reading, Luke 6: 39-45, Jesus tells three parables to teach us about being his disciples, or followers. One parable is called A Tree Known by Its Fruit. We are Jesus' disciples. Jesus says, "Every tree is known by its own fruit." We know the apple tree is good and strong when the apple is shiny. In the same way, people are known by their deeds. When we do good deeds, we show others that we have the good, loving heart of a disciple. Being a disciple of Jesus means that we show our love for God in what we say and do. What will you do and say today and this week to show others that you have the heart of a disciple? Pray together the Lord's Prayer. Our Father...

FAMILY PRAYER TIME – (Loyola Press) Jesus' parables in this week's Gospel are a reminder of the importance of continued learning, prayer and reflection, and humility in our discipleship. We shine God's light in the world when we are "lit from within" with God's grace, willing to examine our own conscience and recognize our own need for transformation through Jesus. As busy parents responsible for our children's physical, emotional, and spiritual growth, we may sometimes be challenged to find time and energy to care for ourselves and attend to our own spiritual growth. Yet doing so can improve our family relationships and help us guide our children in their faith. We can be reminded of the simple safety instruction we hear when flying: to put on our own "spiritual" oxygen mask before helping others. Gather as a family and spend some time discussing ideas about what it means to be a good disciple. Read aloud today's Gospel, Luke 6:39-45. Discuss "Why do you notice the splinter in your brother's eye, but do not perceive the wooden beam in your own?" Focusing on one another's shortcomings without noticing our own can lead to conflict. Point out that part of being a good disciple is focusing on our own behaviour. As a family, share ideas for responding as a disciple when you are upset with another family member's words or actions. (Taking a cooling off break before talking to the person or praying for help to see if our actions contributed to the conflict and we need to apologize.) Pray to grow together in your discipleship and pray the Lord's Prayer.

SEEING YOUR LIFE THROUGH LENS OF THE GOSPEL - 8th Sunday in Ordinary Time Lk 6: 39-45 Maybe Jesus looked at somebody trying to take the speck out of the eye or watched blind people leading each other. Everyday examples reminded him of life situations, of ways to speak his message. He looked around him and saw everywhere reminders of God, of life to the full. He spoke from the ordinary. Watch today for the love of God and the call of God in ordinary events and interchanges. (Sacredspace.com)

WALK WITH THE LORD- Take a journey of reflection, renewal and spiritual growth. Weekend Lenten Retreat 7th-9th March 2025. Contact Fina Golden Retreat Coordinator 096 45374

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND in Knock from Friday 28 March to Sunday 30 March. Book at www.marriageencounter.ie.

EVE OF ST PATRICKS DAY EUCHARISTIC PROCESSION ATHLONE: Starts at 3 pm with the Divine Mercy Chaplet at St. Mary's Church Athlone N37 XP66. Jubilee Eucharistic Procession through Athlone's streets for Faith renewal; 5pm Adoration and finish with Holy Mass at 6pm.

MEDJUGORJE IRISH CENTRE FREE PRIZE DRAW taking place on 1st April. Prize for one person includes 7 nights B&B, return airport transfer and flights up to €300. To enter go to prize draw page on www.med-irishcentre.com Tel. 01 443 4510 or email reservations@med-irishcentre.com

PARISH COLLECTIONS: **Green Envelope:** Bank of Ireland, Kiltimagh Church a/c IBAN: IE17BOFI90388328521158 BIC: BOFIE2D. **Yellow Envelope:** Kiltimagh Credit Union, Holy Family Church A/c 305877 Electronic transfer: IBAN: IE51KDCU99217699530509 BIC: KDCUIE21XXX. **Purple Envelope:** AIB, Kiltimagh Parish Priests Revenue a/c IBAN: IE86AIBK93744408879022 BIC: AIBKIE2D. When making a lodgement please remember to include your envelope box number. Green envelope, special collections (Emigrants, Holy Places etc.) priest collection may be made online at www.kiltimaghparish.org or Facebook.com/Church of the Holy Family Kiltimagh through diocese website. Credit/Debit Card Machine available near Sacristy Door. Thank you for supporting our parish.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

KILTIMAGH WOMEN'S GROUP: Our next monthly meeting will be held on Monday, March 3rd at 7pm in the Parish Centre. The speaker for the evening will be Aisling Byrne, who will speak on the topic of healthy eating pre diabetes. All are welcome.

ST. AIDAN'S N.S. KILTIMAGH is now accepting enrolment admissions for the 2025-2026 academic year. For application forms, please contact us at principal@kiltimaghns.ie or call 094 9381679. Closing date for enrolment is February 28th. We look forward to welcoming new students to our school community!

A FREE ELECTRICAL RECYCLING EVENT hosted by WEEE Ireland and supported by Mayo County Council will take place at Kiltimagh GAA Grounds on Thursday, 6th March, 2025, from 10am-4pm. Any household waste electrical items which are operated by a plug or a battery (large or small) and are at the end of their useful life will be accepted for recycling free of charge. Also, all types of batteries and energy saving lightbulbs will be accepted for recycling.

CARLO ACUTIS CANONISATION: There will be a church gate collection on March 8 and 9 at Kiltimagh Church for a youth pilgrimage to Rome for Carlo Acutis canonisation. Your support would be greatly appreciated.

BAKE SALE FOR MARY'S MEALS: There will be a bake sale in St. John's Rest, Knock on this Sunday 2nd March, 10am-2pm to support Mary's Meals. Donated baked goods are welcome. Contact Cyril: 087 632 5753 if you can help. Mary's Meals is a simple solution to world hunger, feeding children in 16 of the world's poorest countries in school, ensuring a daily meal as well as their education. It costs €22 to feed a child for a full school year. Please go to marysmeals.ie

THE ANNUAL ACHONRY PIONEER DINNER DANCE takes place on Friday 21st March at 8pm sharp at The Yeats County Inn, Curry. Pioneers and non-Pioneers are welcome to attend. Music by The Duets and there will be a raffle on the night. Tickets are €35 each and available by contacting 086-1660196.

MAYO RECOVERY COLLEGE are running modules on Mental Health and Wellbeing on Tuesdays (10.00am-1.00pm) and Thursdays (5.00-8.00pm) for the month of March in Room P105, ATU Castlebar and online. For further information, and to register, contact Karen on 086 0294901 or email karen@mentalhealthireland.ie

AN EVENING WITH WORLD RENOWNED PIANIST JOHN O CONOR BY CANDLELIGHT presented by Ballina Lions Club. Great National Hotel, Ballina on Monday March 10th at 7.30pm. Tickets €25 available at Ballina parish office 096 70555 or at ballinaartscentre.com.

SUICIDE INTERVENTION & PREVENTION TRAINING - Suicide Alertness for Everyone (safeTALK). Tuesday, 25th March '25 from 10.30 am-2pm, Cultural Centre, Station Rd, Carrowbeg, Swinford, Co. Mayo, F12WK83, This training is for over 18's only and is not suitable for anyone bereaved by suicide within 12 months.

Book your free place - <https://srotraininggmr.bookwhen.com/schedules/6yr4ioxbs35#>

ACHONRY DIOCESE SAFEGUARDING: Contact details for any concerns – St Pat Casey 086 7303076, Ms Ann Leonard 187 6474136, Tulsa Mayo 094 904 2283, Garda Confidential Line 1800 555222