

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

Kiltoom masses live streamed on www.churchservices.tv/kiltoom

Saturday 22nd March	Kiltoom 7pm	Mass for the sick
Sunday 23rd March	Curraghboy 10am	Julia Gately, Willie Gately & Mary Kelly
Sunday 23rd March	Kiltoom 11.30am	Tommie Morris (1st Anniversary)
Tuesday 25th March	Curraghboy 7pm	Jimmy & Teresa Butler (Curry)
Wednesday 26th March	Kiltoom 9.30am	Eugene Feeney
Thursday 27th March	Curraghboy 9.30am	Teresa Naughton & deceased family members
Friday 28th March	Curraghboy 7pm followed by	Seamus Kelly (Months Mind) Stations of the Cross & Exposition & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament (Holy Hour)
Friday 28th March	Kiltoom 7.30pm	Stations of the Cross (No mass)
Saturday 29th March	Kiltoom 10am	Mary Keane (Months Mind)
Saturday 29th March	Kiltoom 7pm	John & Kate Flatley & deceased family members
Sunday 30th March	Curraghboy 10am	Brigid Carroll
Sunday 30th March	Kiltoom 11.30am	Paddy & Mary Martin

REMINDER: THE LIGHT IS ON FOR YOU: You are invited to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation. In this Jubilee Year, as we are called to be "Pilgrims of Hope", special emphasis is placed on the Sacrament of Reconciliation. We will have a special opportunity for celebrating the Sacrament of Reconciliation, **TODAY** (Sunday) between **3.00pm and 5.00pm** with visiting priests available for Confessions in The Church of The Risen Christ, Kiltoom. Fr. Joseph from Durm will be our visiting priest here in Kiltoom. The Light is on for You. Please come along and encourage others to do the same.

ALTAR SERVERS

Kiltoom: Saturday 29th March, Group 1 **Curraghboy:** Sunday 30th March Group 2

JUBILEE YEAR OF HOPE: As we prepare for the celebration of the Resurrection at Easter the **STATIONS OF THE CROSS** will be recited each Friday during Lent in the Parish:

St Brigid's Church Curraghboy @ 7 pm (at the start of the Holy Hour)

An invitation is extended to people from various Station Areas to attend Holy Hour during Lent: *Next Friday, 28th March; Castletown/Coolagarry- Cornalee/Garrynphort - Curry/Kilcar*

Church of Risen Christ, Kiltoom @ 7 30 pm (except April 11th)

RECENT BAPTISMS

We welcome to the Christian Community

Noah John Mullin & Caelan Michael Grehan

Who were Baptised in our Parish recently

We congratulate their parents and we wish them all God's blessing



RECENT DEATH: We pray for the soul of

Louis Feeley, Kilkenny & formally of The Hill of Berries

God grant him eternal rest & comfort, and console his bereaved family & friends



PARISH OF KILTOOM & CAM

Church of the Risen Christ,
Ballybay
Kiltoom
Athlone
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N37 NY36

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THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

23rd March 2025



Parish Newsletter

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YOUNG ADULT PILGRIMAGE TO ITALY: Young Adult Pilgrimage to Italy 29 July - 8 August 2025 with Bishop Kevin Doran. The pilgrimage is open to 18 - 35 year olds. The cost is €995 per person sharing and this includes flights, coach transfers, accommodation, Youth Jubilee with Pope Francis in Rome, 3 days on the St Columbanus Camino in northern Italy and day trip to Milan. All the details and how to book are available at www.achonrydiocese.org and www.elphindiocese.ie This is an inter-diocesan pilgrimage for young adults living in the dioceses of Achonry and Elphin; Galway and Clonfert.

ELPHIN & ACHONRY DIOCESAN JUBILEE PILGRIMAGE TO ROME: ‘Pilgrims of Hope’ is the theme of Jubilee 2025. To mark this special year of faith, the Diocese of Elphin and the Diocese of Achonry will journey on pilgrimage to Rome from 22nd to 27th October 2025. This 5 night pilgrimage promises to be a special time in Rome, visiting Vatican City and Rome’s most important basilicas and religious sites. Price per person: €1499 on half board basis at centrally located hotel (€300 single room supplement). For bookings and enquiries: email info@joewalshstours.ie or phone Joe Walsh Tours: 01 241 0800.

PIONEER PLEDGE FOR LENT: Pope Francis has invited us this Lent to “journey in hope together”. A short-term pledge is available via www.pioneerassociation.org for parishioners who wish to become a “pilgrim of hope” for people who are living under the shadow of addiction.

YOUTH 2000 RETREAT: The Youth 2000 Connaught one-day retreat takes place on Saturday, 29th March at St. Mary’s Church / Dominican Priory in the Claddagh in Galway City, beginning at 9.30am. Workshops, music, talks, testimonies & more. Donation only. Register online at Youth2000.ie / contact connaught@youth2000.ie for more information.

CHIROPODY AND PODIATRY SERVICE for Foot and Ankle Issues. Stepwise Foot & Ankle Clinic is based in House Fitness Athlone, Grace Park Rd, Loughanaskin, Athlone, Co. Westmeath, N37AE83. Appointments only. Please call Louise on 0862042160 to book.

LOOKING FOR A JOB OR THINKING ABOUT A CAREER CHANGE?: The Roscommon Career & Employment Expo is happening at Kilbride Community Centre, Fourmilehouse on Wednesday, April 2nd, 2025, from 11am. Meet local employers, businesses, and education providers—all in one place! Whether you’re job hunting, looking to upskill, or exploring new opportunities, this event is for you. Everyone’s welcome! Free bus available – check Roscommon LEADER Partnership on Facebook or call Claire (086 6094262) for details.

PRAYER MINISTRY AND ONLINE PRAYER MEETING: Colum and Seosamh are two young men with non verbal autism. They spell to communicate. They have had a prayer ministry for some years now and have a Facebook page called Silent Servants of the Divine Mercy. They invite people to like the page and send their prayer intentions to them. They then pray and offer their sufferings for all the prayer intentions. They also recently started a sodality called Silent Servants of the Divine Mercy Sodality. The Sodality holds a monthly online prayer meeting on Zoom. The hope is that other people who cannot attend a prayer meeting in person can join them in praying for the intentions of the Silent Servants. They particularly invite other silent people or people with disabilities. Everyone is welcome. The next meeting will be held next Sunday the 30th of March at 7pm. The meeting will be approximately 30 minutes. Please send a text to 086 4134847 if you are interested in attending the meeting. The day before the meeting we will send out a Zoom link for the meeting.

A NIGHT OF STORYTELLING with Seanachai Vincent Pierce, Friday 28th March in Kiltoom Parish Hall (N37YX7). Come along for an entertaining night of yarns & stories and support George & Isaac as we help secure funds for treatment of Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy. Raffle on the night. Tickets €20 on WWW.JOINOURBOYS.ORG

THANK YOU: Sincere thank you to all who continue to return weekly envelopes. I am most grateful for your generosity, support and help towards the upkeep of both of our Churches and Church grounds.

CONFIRMATION: We congratulate all our Confirmation Candidates from Ballybay, Brideswell, Curraghboy & Lismoil National Schools who were confirmed by Bishop Kevin on Thursday last. We thank all their Parents, Teachers, Principals and Choirs for all their help and support to make the day special for the children. Thank you also to our servers and to their parents for allowing them to serve.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: Your next ‘Grow in Love’ mass will be on Sunday 6th April at 10am in Curraghboy for the children of Brideswell & Curraghboy National Schools and at 11.30am in Kiltoom for the children of Ballybay National School. It is important that all communion class children attend in preparation for their special day..

LENTEN SCRIPTURE INITIATIVE on Thursday at **7.30pm** in Kiltoom Parish hall continues this Thursday, 27th March. All welcome.

SENDING OUR VERY BEST WITNESSES TO BISHOP KEVIN as he is installed as Bishop of Achonry on Sunday 30th March. We ask you all to keep Bishop Kevin in your prayers.

CARD GAME continues Tuesdays at 9pm in the Handball Complex, Curraghboy

TEA/COFFEE MORNING: in aid of the Irish Cancer Society will take place after 10am mass on Sunday 30th March in the Handball Complex, Curraghboy. All Welcome.

ST. BRIGID’S LOTTO: Lotto Jackpot this weekend €8,000. Last weeks results: Numbers Drawn— 07 / 10 / 21 / 25. There was no winner. 8 match three winners, €25. Draw takes place Sunday night 23-03-25 at 9pm.

MS IRELAND CHURCH GATE COLLECTIONS: Annual Church gate Collection Co. Roscommon Branch of Multiple Sclerosis Ireland on the weekend of 29th /30th March. All donations gratefully accepted.

FUNDRAISER: There will be a cake sale in both Parish Halls after Sunday masses on 6th April. **A donation of Baked goods etc will be accepted in both parish halls on the morning of Sunday the 6th April should any Parishioner wish to bake and donate some delicious treats.** Come along for a Tea or coffee and a chat regardless.

Jessica Collins (A parishioner from our Parish) is a first year Music Film and Drama student in UCD. This Summer she will be travelling to Cambodia for 5 weeks to volunteer with UCD Volunteers Overseas in the MOEI Education project. Jessica’s role within this project is to teach English to students attending local, free community schools. Her aim to provide an interactive and enjoyable learning environment for all students. Jessica will be covering her own expenses for the trip, including flights, vaccinations and various other costs. This results in your incredibly kind donations going straight to this wonderful cause.

CARPARK - ONGOING MAINTENANCE – COLLECTION 5th & 6th APRIL

The committee responsible for the development of the new Carpark and Sensory Garden wish to give advance notice that it is intended to hold a collection to assist in defraying the cost of ongoing maintenance at the new Carpark and Sensory Garden including insurance and gardening which amounts to circa €2,500 per annum. This will take place at Mass times on the weekend of Sat/Sun 5th and 6th April.