

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK**

**Kiltoom masses live streamed on [www.churchservices.tv/kiltoom](http://www.churchservices.tv/kiltoom)**

Saturday 29th March	Kiltoom 7pm	John & Kate Flatley & deceased family members
Sunday 30th March	<b>Curraghboy 10am</b>	Brigid Carroll
Sunday 30th March	Kiltoom 11.30am	Paddy & Mary Martin
Tuesday 1st April	Kiltoom 7pm	Teresa Rushe
Wednesday 2nd April	Kiltoom 7pm	Paddy Coughlan
Thursday 3rd April	Kiltoom 9.30am	Myrl O'Carroll & her son Aidan
Friday 4th April	<b>Curraghboy 7pm followed by</b>	Peter & Mary Ann Coyle Stations of the Cross & Exposition & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament (Holy Hour)
Friday 4th April	Kiltoom 7.30pm	Stations of the Cross (No mass)
Saturday 5th April	Kiltoom 7pm	Deceased members of the Nolan Family
Sunday 6th April	<b>Curraghboy 10am</b>	John Gacquin (Kilderney) Joe Fallon Edward & Rose McDonnell (Curry) John Dolan & deceased members of the Dolan & Gately families Mary McSweeney <b>'Grow in Love' mass for First Holy Communion children of Brideswell &amp; Curraghboy National Schools</b>
Sunday 6th April	Kiltoom 11.30am	Maura Leavy & deceased family members Patrick Lennon, Mary Anne & Thomas Lennon Brendan & Brigid Daly & deceased family members <b>'Grow in Love' mass for First Holy Communion children of Ballybay Central National School</b>

**ALTAR SERVERS**

**Kiltoom:** Saturday 5th April, Group 2      **Curraghboy:** Sunday 6th April Group 3

**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, 4th April; Cam/Cam Lodge- Brideswell- Eskerbaun*

**Church of Risen Christ, Kiltoom @ 7.30 pm (except April 11th)**

**THANK YOU** to all who attended the sacrament of reconciliation last weekend. there was a great turnout in all the churches.



# PARISH OF KILTOOM & CAM

Church of the Risen Christ,  
Ballybay  
Kiltoom  
Athlone  
Co. Roscommon  
N37 NY36

St. Brigid's Church  
Curraghboy  
Athlone  
Co. Roscommon  
N37 KV62

**FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT**

**30th March 2025**



## Parish Newsletter

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**Our Parish on-line**

[www.kiltoomandcam.com](http://www.kiltoomandcam.com)

[www.facebook.com/KiltoomParish](http://www.facebook.com/KiltoomParish)

**Twitter:** @KiltoomChurch

**Masses live streamed:** [churchservices.tv/kiltoom](http://churchservices.tv/kiltoom)

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**Parish Safeguarding Liaison Officers**

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**Cam:** Deacon Willie Gacquin (086) 1693902

*Further safeguarding details can be found on the Diocesan website [www.elphindiocese.ie](http://www.elphindiocese.ie)*



**INSTALLATION OF BISHOP KEVIN AS BISHOP OF ACHONRY:** Today, Laetare Sunday, Bishop Kevin will be installed as Bishop of Achonry. This also marks the moment when our two dioceses of Achonry and Elphin are united “in persona episcopi” (in the person of the bishop). This term is used by the Catholic Church to designate the union of two or more dioceses, under one bishop. Please remember Bishop Kevin in your prayers, that he might have the wisdom and courage to guide our two Dioceses along the path that leads to the future that God wants for us. The Mass of Installation will be celebrated at 3pm in the Cathedral of the Annunciation and St Nathy, Ballaghaderreen.

**MASS OF CHRISM:** Bishop Kevin invites you to attend the Mass of Chrism on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> April at 7.30pm in St Anne’s Church, Sligo (*note change of Church due to temporary closure of the Cathedral*). During the Mass, Bishop Kevin will bless and consecrate the oils used in the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, Holy Orders and the Sick and the priests of the diocese will renew their commitment to their priestly ministry. All are very welcome to attend.

**ELPHIN & ACHONRY DIOCESAN 2025 PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES.** Led by Bishop Kevin Doran. 29th August, 5 nights. Flights from Knock. Prices from €969 per person sharing. For information and booking, please contact Joe Walsh Tours, telephone 01-2410800 or e-mail [info@joewalshstours.ie](mailto:info@joewalshstours.ie) For information and to book the Special Assisted Section, please contact: Fr. Ray Milton, Parochial House, Knockcroghery. Tel: 090 6661115

**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. All the details and how to book are available at [www.achonrydiocese.org](http://www.achonrydiocese.org) and [www.elphindiocese.ie](http://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. For bookings and enquiries: email [info@joewalshstours.ie](mailto:info@joewalshstours.ie) or phone: 01 241 0800.

**PILGRIM PASSPORT FOR JUBILEE YEAR 2025:** As part of the Jubilee Year 2025, a ‘pilgrim passport’ will be available at each of the three designated national sites (Knock Shrine, Croagh Patrick, Lough Derg), detailing the unique elements of the pilgrimage experience at each destination. The passport will be stamped upon completion of the pilgrimage at each location. Those who complete a pilgrimage to all three sites will receive a commemorative lapel pin in recognition of this achievement.

**ALONE – Volunteers Needed:** Would you be willing to provide companionship or make Friendly calls to an older person in your community? The commitment is just for 1 hour per week? ALONE are seeking volunteers in your area. Full training and support provided. If interested, please sign up on [www.alone.ie/volunteers/](http://www.alone.ie/volunteers/) For more information, contact Helena on [Helena.madden@alone.ie](mailto:Helena.madden@alone.ie)

**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.

**COMMUNITY CONNECT** thanks the people of Athlone and surrounding areas for their generous response to our recent Drive and Drop event, where we collected baby clothes and essentials for families in need

**MS IRELAND CHURCH GATE COLLECTIONS:** Annual Church gate Collection Co. Roscommon Branch of Multiple Sclerosis Ireland THIS WEEKEND, All donations welcome.

**INTERESTED IN BECOMING A COMMUNITY FIRST RESPONDER** in affiliation with the National Ambulance Service. In the Kiltoom, Lecarrow, Rahara, Curraghboy, Brideswell areas. If interested call or whatsapp Damien @0863731472.

**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.

**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.

**SICK CALLS:** Fr. Michael will make his house calls during the week, anyone on the call list will be contacted by the parish office to confirm which day Fr. Michael will visit.

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

**LINE DANCING** returns to Curraghboy Handball Complex on Mondays, Beginners @ 7 pm and Regular Class @ 8 15 pm

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

**KILTOOM COMMUNITY ALERT GROUP:** General meeting will take place on Thursday night 3rd April in the Parish Hall at 9pm. All those interested are invited to attend.

**ST. BRIGID’S LOTTO:** Lotto Jackpot this weekend €8,200. Last weeks results: Numbers Drawn— 19 / 23 / 30 / 32. There was no winner. 2 match three winners, €100. Draw takes place Sunday night 30-03-25 at 9pm.

**FUNDRAISER:** There will be a cake sale in both Parish Halls after Sunday masses on 6<sup>th</sup> 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 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:** Due to unforeseen circumstances, the committee responsible for the development and maintenance of the Sensory Garden and Carpark has decided to defer the collection of funds for ongoing insurance and gardening costs. This collection will now take place during May and will be notified in advance through this Bulletin.

**EASTER FUN FOR ALL THE FAMILY AT ATHLONE CASTLE:** Athlone Castle is delighted to celebrate the Easter Bank Holiday weekend with an exciting and fun-filled family event taking place on Easter Saturday 19th of April. Children are invited to take part in an Easter Trail throughout Athlone Castle Visitor Centre where they will find answers to questions and learn fun facts about Easter customs and traditions. Along the Trail, the young “eggplorers” will have the opportunity to engage with the Castle’s artefacts and displays, visit the facepainting station, Unleash their creativity with Easter-themed colouring activities, and have their photo taken with the Easter Bunny! Each child that completes the Trail will receive an ‘eggciting’ Easter Surprise. This event is suitable for children aged 4 and over. Pre-booking is advised for this Easter Event as there will be limited spaces available. Further details & pre-book your ticket, please visit [www.athlonecastle.ie/events](http://www.athlonecastle.ie/events)

**SHORT BREAKS SCHEME;** Would you be interested in providing home from home short breaks for children and adults who have an intellectual disability? Brothers of Charity Services Ireland, Homeshare Roscommon are recruiting host carers. Training and support provided. Tax exempt Allowances paid. For further information email [Homeshareroscommon@bocsi.ie](mailto:Homeshareroscommon@bocsi.ie) or phone Catherine on 090 6628500 / 087 2126607.

**REMINDER:**  
Clocks move forward 1 hour on Sunday morning 30th March at 1am.

