

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

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

Saturday 17th May	Kiltoom 7pm	Aidan Browne & Tom Browne
Sunday 18th May	<b>Curraghboy 10am</b>	Deceased members of the Dolan Family (Curry) Tommy, Bridget, Ann, Clare, Evan, Jimmy, Eamon, Bridget, Tim, John & Emma
Sunday 18th May	Kiltoom 11.30am	Ned & Margaret Leonard Fr. John Leonard
Tuesday 20th May	<b>Curraghboy 7pm</b>	Mary McDonnell & deceased members of the McDonnell Family
Wednesday 21st May	<b>Curraghboy 9.30am</b>	Teresa Naughton & deceased family members
Thursday 22nd May	Kiltoom 9.30am	Teddy Irwin (Birthday Remembrance)
Friday 23rd May	<b>Curraghboy 7pm</b> <b>Followed by</b>	Peg & Jack Kelly (Cam) Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Saturday 24th May	Kiltoom 7pm	Mary Gallagher
Sunday 25th May	<b>Curraghboy 10am</b>	Pauline Byrne
Sunday 25th May	Kiltoom 11.30am	Tommy Kenny

## ALTAR SERVERS

**Kiltoom:** Saturday 24th May, Group 1      **Curraghboy:** Sunday 25th May, Group 3

## 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, led by Fr. Tom Hever and Fr. Vincent Sherlock, 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](mailto:info@joewalshstours.ie) or phone Joe Walsh Tours: 01 241 0800.

## ELPHIN & ACHONRY DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES:

The Elphin & Achonry Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes will take place from 29<sup>th</sup> August to 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2025. Application forms for the **Assisted Pilgrim Section** are available from Fr. Ray Milton, P.P., Pilgrimage Director, St. John's, Lecarrow, Co. Roscommon (090 6661115). Closing date for receipt of Assisted Pilgrim Applications: 16<sup>th</sup> June. Nominations for the **Youth Section** are being sought from parishes for young people aged 17 to 20 years to participate in the pilgrimage. Youth must be nominated through their Priest/Chaplain. Forms available from the local parish office. Closing date for receipt of completed Nominations: 24<sup>th</sup> May. For all other enquiries regarding the pilgrimage, contact: Joe Walsh Tours at 01 2410800 or email [info@joewalshstours.ie](mailto:info@joewalshstours.ie)

## ELPHIN & ACHONRY PILGRIMAGE TO LOUGH DERG:

Achonry & Elphin dioceses' 3-day pilgrimage to Lough Derg will take place Friday 13<sup>th</sup> – Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> June. For details, including bus arrangements, please visit: [www.elphindiocese.ie/lough-derg](http://www.elphindiocese.ie/lough-derg)

# 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

**FIFTH SUNDAY OF  
EASTER**

**18th May 2025**



# Parish Newsletter

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## Our Parish on-line

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

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

**Twitter:** @KiltoomChurch

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

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## Parish Safeguarding Liaison Officers

**Kiltoom:** Orlagh Tiernan (086) 8257831

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



[young-catholics.com](http://young-catholics.com)

**PRAY FOR LIFE NOVENA:** The *Pray for Life* Novena is an invitation to join thousands of people across Ireland to pray for the protection of human life, from Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May to the Feast of the Visitation on Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> May. Each day's intention is accompanied by a short reflection and suggested actions to help build a culture of life in Ireland. [www.prayforlife.ie](http://www.prayforlife.ie) for the daily novena prayers and to sign up for daily reminders. The prayers will also be posted on [facebook.com/PrayforLifeNovena](https://facebook.com/PrayforLifeNovena) @PrayforLifeie on X and @prayforlifenovena on Instagram. This is an initiative of the Council for Life of the Irish Catholic Bishops' Conference

**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.

**SYNODAL APPROACH TO PARISH COUNCILS:** A synodal approach to building up Parish Councils – a day with international speaker, teacher, catechist and author David Wells on Saturday, May 24<sup>th</sup> from 10.30am to 4pm in Knock Prayer Centre, Knock Shrine. Cost per person: €10. Limited places available; advance booking required. Email Nicola Mitchell at [faithrenewal@knockshrine.ie](mailto:faithrenewal@knockshrine.ie) or phone ext 408 at 094 93 88100. Online bookings at [www.knockshrine.ie](http://www.knockshrine.ie)

**DIOCESAN ADVISORS IN PRIMARY SCHOOLS:** The Diocese of Elphin seeks to recruit two part-time Diocesan Advisors at primary school level to support the Catholic ethos and the *Grow in Love* programme in the Catholic schools throughout the diocese. Those interested in applying should initially make contact with Fr Michael Drumm (083 8833585).

**KNOWING AND LIVING OUR CATHOLIC FAITH:** Catechism/YouCat pilgrimage to Our Lady's Shrine, Knock on Sat 31<sup>st</sup> May. Guest speaker: Rev. Fr. John Harris O.P. Prior Provincial, Irish Dominican Province. Further enquiries: Máirín 087 7950325.

**ANAM CARA PARENT SUPPORT EVENING:** Anam Cara, the organisation that supports bereaved parents, will hold its monthly Parent Support Evening on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> May at 7.30pm in the TF Royal Hotel, Castlebar, Co. Mayo. This event is free and open to all bereaved parents. To find out more, call 01 4045378 or email [info@anamcara.ie](mailto:info@anamcara.ie)

**VOLUNTEER FOR HOSPICE:** Mayo Roscommon Hospice need your help with National Sunflower days for Hospice 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> June. Could you give a few hours of your time on either/both days and help raise funds in support of Palliative Care Services in your area or any area that suits you? Call now on 094 9388666 or email [info@hospice.ie](mailto:info@hospice.ie)

**LUAN GALLERY:** Free Workshops with local artists Niamh Butler and Aoife Doolan at Abbey Road Studio for children aged 9-15. Participants will design and craft unique costumes inspired by the rich beauty of the Historical Garden at Athlone Castle, all using recycled and sustainable materials. Workshop slots available: Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> May from 2 to 5 pm. Workshop participants will then have the chance to showcase their designs on 7<sup>th</sup> June for the National Cruinniú na nÓg *Garden to Runway Fashion Show*, held in the courtyard of Athlone Castle. Here, the young designers will take centre stage, proudly showcasing their creations in front of friends, family, and the community. The event will feature live musical performances by talented youth musicians from the Féile na Sionainne festival, and a special guest will host the afternoon of festivities as Master of Ceremonies. To round off this creative journey, photos taken by photographer Chris Burke during workshops and the fashion show will be displayed in the *Garden to Gallery Exhibition* at Luan Gallery on Saturday, 2<sup>nd</sup> August.

**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. I am also grateful for those who returned their Easter Offerings envelope. The Easter envelope is one of four collections taken up annually to help support the Priest's in the Parish.

**TROCAIRE BOXES:** Any Trociare Boxes yet to be returned, can still be returned to either of the Churches.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION:** Congratulations to the children from the Parish who received the Sacrament of First Communion this weekend and last weekend. We send our best wishes to them, their Families and Teachers. We ask you to keep the children in your prayers.

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

**ST. BRIGID'S LOTTO:** Lotto Jackpot this weekend €9,600. Last weeks results: Numbers Drawn— 06 / 09 / 15 / 21. There was no winner. 4 match three winners, €50. Draw takes place Sunday night 18-05-25 at 9pm.

**CARPARK - ONGOING MAINTENANCE – COLLECTION 17th & 18th MAY**

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 including insurance and gardening on the development which amounts to circa €2,500 per annum. This collection will take place at Mass times on the weekend of Sat/Sun 17th and 18th May.

**KILTOOM COMMUNITY AED GROUP CLG** announce their intention to take a collection after mass on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> May. This is to maintain, service, and replace pads and batteries in the 10 AEDS placed throughout our parish. Some of our AEDs are coming up on 10-years old and will require replacement of the devices themselves soon. Without proper upkeep, the effectiveness of this life saving equipment could be compromised. We would also like to announce that our GoFundMe and iDonate pages remain open at all times for donations, is our intention to try to raise €5,000 at this time. Thanking you in advance for your support. Kiltoom community AED committee.

**SENIORLINE:** SeniorLine, Ireland's national telephone service for older people, will be open every day this summer from 10am-10pm, freephone 1800 80 45 91. Your call will be answered by another older person who will listen, keep you company, discuss a problem and support you towards a resolution if possible.

**ATHLONE CHORAL SOCIETY** are delighted to announce details of this year's annual Summer concert. Date: Sunday 18th May 2025. Time: Doors open 5.30pm | Concert starts 6pm. Place: St. Mary's Church of Ireland, Athlone. Admission: €15. With Special Guests: Daren Lane & Méli Mélo (coming from Chateaubriant, France). We hope you will join us for a wonderful evening full of music. Contact us Facebook: Athlone Choral Society Email: [athlonechoralsocietypro@gmail.com](mailto:athlonechoralsocietypro@gmail.com) Instagram: @athlonechoralsociety

**MEMORY CAFE:** Roscommon Dementia Alliance hosts a monthly café in Loughkey, Forest park, Boyle to help support people affected by dementia ,their families and carers .This month's event takes place on Wednesday the 21th of May 2.00pm to 4.00pm and will include music ,song ,advice and a chat. If you would like to attend please visit [www.roscommondementia.ie](http://www.roscommondementia.ie) or contact Teresa Keegan on 0877061183 for more information.