

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

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

Saturday 26th July	Kiltoom 7pm	Bat & Mai Leonard People of the Parish
Sunday 27th July	Curraghboy 10am	Breda Harrington (1st Anniversary)
Sunday 27th July	Kiltoom 11.30am	Paddy & Tessie Leonard
Sunday 27th July	Brideswell 12.30pm	Pattern Mass
Tuesday 29th July	Curraghboy 9.30am	John Joe Cunningham & his parents Michael & Margaret
Wednesday 30th July	Kiltoom 9.30am	Johnny Higgins
Thursday 31st July	Kiltoom 9.30am	Liam Dwan
Friday 1st August	Kiltoom 9.30am	Mary Jordan
Friday 1st August	Curraghboy 7pm	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Saturday 2nd August	Kiltoom 7pm	Mary & Hubert Keenan John Gallagher & deceased family members Mark Higgins & deceased members of the Slevin & Butler Families Paddy Mongy Eamon & Annie O'Connor Ned Sammon People of the Parish
Sunday 3rd August	Curraghboy 10am	Teresa Naughton & deceased family members Jacinta Fitzpatrick James Kelly (1st Anniversary) Edward, Teresa, James & Bridie Murray
Sunday 3rd August	Kiltoom 11.30am	Maura Leavy & deceased family members Josephine McHugh Batty & Bridgie O'Brien Special Intention

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Saturday 9th August Kiltoom Cemetery 7pm Cemetery Mass

RECENT DEATHS: *We pray for the soul of*

Pearl Colgan (née Griffith), Clara, Co. Offaly. Former teacher of Ballybay National School
God grant her eternal rest & comfort, and console her bereaved family & friends

The Holy Father has chosen the theme for the 5th World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly, which will be celebrated this year on Sunday, 27 July: **"Blessed are those who have not lost hope."** (cf. Sir 14, 2). These words, taken from the Book of Sirach, express the beatitude of the elderly and show the hope in the Lord as the path to Christian and reconciled old age. In the Jubilee year, this Day, established by Pope Francis in 2021, aims to provide an opportunity to reflect on the presence of grandparents and the elderly as a sign of hope in every family and ecclesial community.

PARISH OF KILTOOM & CAM

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**SEVENTEENTH
SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME**
27th July 2025

Parish Newsletter



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Our Parish on-line

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Further safeguarding details can be found on the Diocesan website



Parish of
Kiltoom & Cam

World Day
for Grandparents
and the Elderly
2025



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YOUTH PILGRIMAGE TO ITALY: Please remember Bishop Kevin and young pilgrims from the Achonry and Elphin dioceses who travel to Italy on Tuesday on a 10 day pilgrimage for the Jubilee Year.

ELPHIN & ACHONRY DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK: The Elphin & Achonry Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine will take place on Sunday, 17th August 2025. There will also be a Family Day on the same date offering various activities for families with children of all ages. **The dioceses extend a special invitation to altar servers in our parishes to join the pilgrimage along with their families.** (For more details about the Family Day visit <https://www.knockshrine.ie/family-day-at-knock-shrine/>)

CATHEDRAL CELEBRATES 150 YEARS: The Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Sligo celebrates 150 years with Mass at 7pm on Friday 12th September. Reception afterwards in Gillooly Hall. All welcome.

THE LEGION OF MARY: are organising a day trip to Lough Derg on Saturday 6th September 2025. Leaving the Sacred Heart Church car park at 6.30am. For bookings, please contact Teresa 087 1206343 or Noreen on 086 3529916 or (090 66252090).

PART-TIME CERTIFICATE IN RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FOR PRIMARY SCHOOL with Online Delivery ATU St. Angelas, Lough Gill, Sligo is inviting applications for this programme commencing in autumn 2025. Closing date is Friday, 15th August. Further information: mary.kearns@atu.ie / www.atu.ie

IGNATIUS WEEK AT KNOCK SHRINE: Commences at 7pm on 27th July and concludes at 6pm on 2nd August. All are welcome to whole week or part of it. Inputs will be live streamed. Spiritual direction available. Further details: www.knockshrine.ie

LIGHT THE FIRE AT SLANE: Light the Fire gathering takes place on 3rd August on the Hill of Slane with Archbishop Eamon Martin. Event begins at 12 noon and includes Mass, Eucharistic healing, praise and worship, and rosary. More info: lightthefire.ie or email info@lightthefire.ie

RAISING HOPE RETREAT: A retreat organised by Trocaire to celebrate the 10th anniversary of *Laudato Si* takes place from 13th – 15th September at Ballyvaloo Retreat and Conference Centre, Enniscorthy, Co. Wexford. To register: email anna.keegan@trocaire.org

ELPHIN & ACHONRY DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES: The Elphin & Achonry Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes will take place from 29th August to 3rd 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). For all other enquiries regarding the pilgrimage, contact: Joe Walsh Tours at 01 2410800 or email info@joewalshstours.ie

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.

RECOLLECTION WEEKEND: 22ND - 24TH AUGUST 2025 IN CLONMACNOIS. A retreat for adult Catholics seeking to deepen their spiritual life and grow in holiness. A time for silence, reflection and fellowship with talks from various guest speakers. €160pp - all meals and accommodation provided with custom welcome pack. Early bird pricing of €135pp is available until 16th July only. For more details and booking visit www.thecollect.ie

2026 Parish Mass Diary

IS NOW OPEN

You can book your 2026 mass intentions by calling the Parish Office on 090 64 89105 or e-mailing kiltoomoffice@gmail.com

For families who will be seeking the 1st anniversary mass of their loved one in 2026 please make sure you contact the parish office as soon as the diary is open.

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.

PARISH OFFICE Will be closed from Monday 28th July re opening on Monday 11th August at 9.30am

SICK CALLS: Fr. Michael will be making his house calls on Tuesday 29th & Wednesday 30th July.

ATHLONE DEANERY ONE DAY PILGRIMAGE TO LOUGH DERG (St. Patrick's Purgatory) Saturday August 23rd 2025, Cost € 50 per person Including Bus and admission to Island Spiritual Director Fr. Joseph Wenjeslaus Curate Drum, Athlone. To book or enquire please Email; loughderg@athloneparish.ie Or call 090-6437125

ANNUAL MASS OF THE ANGELS: The Annual Mass of the Angels will be held on Wednesday August 20th in Ss. Peter & Paul's Church at 7.30 at pm. The Celebrant this year will be Bishop Kevin Doran. After the Mass we will unveil and bless a memorial in the church grounds to remember the little ones called home too soon.

NOW RECRUITING: MSC IN AGINNOVATION. The University of Galway is offering a unique, one-year Master's (Level 9) for people with fresh ideas to transform rural Ireland. Open to all ages - no formal education required, just passion and vision. Format: 2 hours/week online and one Saturday/month on campus. Funding: 100% (unemployed) or 90% (employed) via Springboard. Deadline: 31st July at 5pm - 30 places available. To apply: Visit www.universityofgalway.ie and search for "*Springboard*", then select MSc AgInnovation and complete your registration. We look forward to receiving your application and welcoming you to the Programme.

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 17th of September to 2.00pm to 4pm and will include music ,song ,advice and a chat. please note there is no Café in August. If you would like to attend please visit www.roscommondementia.ie or contact Teresa Keegan on 0877061183 for more information.

YOUTH 2000 SUMMER FESTIVAL (16-35yrs) in Newbridge College, Co. Kildare, Aug. 7 -10. Pack a sleeping bag & snacks and come along for a weekend of prayer, friendship, inspirational talks & workshops. Donation only. Free bus from each province - book early! Register online at Youth2000.ie or for more information contact connaught@youth2000.ie - see you there!

LUAN GALLERY: The official launch of *Garden to Gallery Couture*, a photography exhibition by photographer Chris Burke takes place at 4:30pm on Friday, 1st August in Luan Gallery with performances by members of Athlone Youth Orchestra & Féile na Sionnaine. Exhibition runs until 10th August.