

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK**

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

Saturday 28th March	Kiltoom 7pm	Theresa Rushe
Sunday 29th March	<b>Curraghboy 10am</b>	Brigid & Mike Carroll
Sunday 29th March	Kiltoom 11.30am	Members of the Defence Forces on duty overseas & their family & friends
Tuesday 31st March	Kiltoom 9.30am	Vicky Pettit
Tuesday 31st March	<b>Kiltoom 8pm</b>	<b>Holy Hour</b>
Wednesday 1st April	Kiltoom 9.30am	Mass of Thanksgiving
Thursday 2nd April	<b>Curraghboy 6pm</b>	Holy Thursday-Mass of the Lord's Supper People of the Parish
Thursday 2nd April	Kiltoom 8pm	Holy Thursday-Mass of the Lord's Supper People of the Parish
Friday 3rd April	Kiltoom 12noon	Stations of The Cross
Friday 3rd April	<b>Both Churches 3pm</b>	Good Friday-Celebration of The Lord's Passion
Friday 3rd April	<b>Curraghboy 8pm</b>	Stations of The Cross
Saturday 4th April	Kiltoom 8pm	Holy Saturday-Easter Vigil People of the Parish
Sunday 5th April	<b>Curraghboy 10am</b>	Easter Sunday –The Resurrection of The Lord Joe & Celia Lynch (Applehill) Sonny Kelly Joe Fallon Peter & Mary Ann Coyle (Curlea) Brian Finnerty & deceased family members
Sunday 5th April	Kiltoom 11.30am	Easter Sunday –The Resurrection of The Lord Maura Leavy & deceased family members Jimmy Mannion Florie & Pat Jordan Deceased members of the Nolan Family (Athlone) Brendan & Brigid Daly & deceased family members

**RECENT BAPTISM**



We welcome to the Christian Community  
**Ben Anthony McManus**



Who was Baptised in our Parish recently  
We congratulate his parents and we wish them all God's blessing

**RECENT DEATHS:** *We pray for the soul of*

**Michael Lyster**, Burney UK, formally of Grange. *Brother of Bernadette Burke, Pollalaher & Brother in Law of Mary Lyster, Grange*



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

**REMINDER:** Clocks move forward 1 hour on Sunday morning 29th March at 2am.



# 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

**PALM SUNDAY**  
**29th March 2026**

## Parish Newsletter

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**OFFICE HOURS: Mon—Fri, 9.30am—1.30pm**

**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 Tieman (086) 8257831

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

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



**MASS OF CHRISM:** Bishop Kevin invites you to attend the Mass of Chrism on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> March at 7.00pm in Ballaghaderreen Cathedral or Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> April at 7.30pm in Sligo Cathedral. During these Masses, Bishop Kevin will bless and consecrate the oils used in the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, Holy Orders and the Sick and the priests of both dioceses will renew their commitment to their priestly ministry. Refreshments follow for all in St Nathy's College and the Gillooly Hall respectively. All are very welcome.

**TRÓCAIRE LENTEN CAMPAIGN:** This year's Trócaire Box features Uwamahoro and her family in Rwanda. Uwamahoro works every day in the fields to earn the equivalent of just 60c a day. Your support of this year's Trócaire Lenten Campaign could help this family and other families around the world build resilience and hope for the future. Further details: [www.trocaire.org](http://www.trocaire.org)

**YOUTH 2000 DAY RETREAT:** Takes place on April 25<sup>th</sup> at Knock Shrine, Co. Mayo. Youth 2000 provides an opportunity for young people (16-35) to develop their relationship with God, learn more about the Catholic faith and meet other young people. Talks, testimonies and donation only. Check out Youth2000.ie to register or contact [connaught@youth2000.ie](mailto:connaught@youth2000.ie) for more information.

**SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION:** We invite you to pray for all those in the dioceses of Elphin and of Achonry who will receive the sacrament of Confirmation in coming months. May they be filled with the Holy Spirit and become witnesses of God's love in our world.

**ROSCOMMON DEMENTIA ALLIANCE** hosts a monthly café in Lough Key Forest Park, Boyle Co. Roscommon to help support people affected by dementia, their families and carers. This month's café takes place on Wednesday the 15th of April to 2.00pm to 4pm and will include music, song, advice and a chat. please note change of venue. If you would like to attend, please visit [www.roscommondementia.ie](http://www.roscommondementia.ie) or contact Teresa Keegan on 0877061183 for more information.

#### **PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK SHRINE**

On Saturday, 18<sup>th</sup> April, a pilgrimage organised by the Catechism of the Catholic Church – Adult Studies, Steering Committee takes place at Knock Shrine led by Bishop John Keenan, Diocese of Paisley, Scotland. The morning schedule begins at 11am and includes prayer, testimonies and a talk by Bishop Keenan. At 2pm, there will be Stations of the Cross and Rosary followed by Mass at 3pm. Further details: [www.catechism.ie](http://www.catechism.ie)

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**THE NEXT MEETING** of the Roscommon Garden Club will be held in Hannon's Hotel, Roscommon on Monday 30th March at 8.00pm. Easter Flower Arranging Demonstration. Non-members 10 euro. All are welcome

**A PRAYER FOR STRENGTH AND HEALING.:** Lord, grant me the strength to face the challenges of illness and the grace to find healing. Renew my spirit, empower me with courage and restore my health according to your will. "But those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength ." Isaiah 40:31

#### **HELPLINES**

Emergency Service-112 or 999  
Alone 0818 222 024  
Childline 1800 666 666  
Focus Ireland 01 881 5900  
HSE Drug & Alcohol Helpline 1800 459 459  
National Freephone Careline 1800 240 724  
Pieta House 1800 247 247  
Samaritans 116 123 or text HELP to 51444  
Teen line 1800 833 634

Al-Anon Group Helpline 01 873 2699  
Aware Support Line 1800 804 848  
Farm & Rural Stress Helpline 1800 742 645  
GROW mental Health 0818 474 474  
LGBT Ireland 1890 929 539  
National Male Advice Line 1800 816 588  
Rape Crisis Centre 1800 778 888  
Senior Line 1800 804 591  
Women's Aid 1800 341 900

**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.

**PONTIFICAL GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION:** You are invited to show your solidarity with Christians in the Holy Land by contributing to the Good Friday Collection that supports Christians and the Holy Places of the Holy Land. This demonstration of support and solidarity with the Christians in the Holy Land is needed now more than ever. Your generous support is appreciated – there is a collection envelope for Holy Places with your parish envelopes.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS** thank you to all who attended the Stations of the Cross during lent.

**HOLY HOUR:** Join Fr. Michael for Holy Hour in The Church of The Risen Christ on Tuesday 31st March at 8pm

**PARISH OFFICE:** Will be closed on Good Friday and Easter Monday. Please have any items for the next weekend's newsletter in by Tuesday afternoon.

**FOOD / CLOTHES APPEAL: THE PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL** are running a food / clothes drive for Athlone Family Support Centre & Esker House. Items can be sent into the schools with your child / children or left in either Churches over the next two weekend's (up to Palm Sunday 29th March). Items like Clothes, Non Perishable Food Items, Personal Hygiene Items, or even Vouchers for the Cinema or Glendear Pet Farm. Thank You.

**EUCHARIST MINISTERS:** Blessing of Eucharistic Ministers Hands in both Churches on Holy Thursday & The Commissioning Rite for New Eucharistic Ministers will take place on Holy Thursday at 8pm in Kiltoom.

**AREA DISTRIBUTORS:** The Easter envelopes are now ready for distribution. They can be collected from the Sacristy after weekend masses. Thank you all once again for generously giving up your time to deliver these to our Parishioners.

**THANK YOU** to all who attended or contributed in any way to the tea/coffee morning last weekend after 10am Mass for Daffodil Day in aid of the Irish Cancer Society. There was approximately €2,000 raised.

**MS IRELAND CHURCH GATE COLLECTIONS:** Annual Church gate Collection Co. Roscommon Branch of Multiple Sclerosis Ireland this weekend of 28<sup>th</sup>/29<sup>th</sup>March. All donations gratefully accepted.

**KILTOOM DRAMA GROUP** Congratulations and well done to all who were involved with the show.

**ST. BRIGID'S LADIES ANNUAL CAKE SALE** will take place in Ballybay hall before and after 11am mass on Easter Sunday, April 5th. All support greatly appreciated.

**BRIDESWELL EASTER FARMERS MARKET Sat 4<sup>th</sup> April @2pm** Mystery Trail, Egg Design, Face Painting, Market Stalls, Refreshments, and lots more! See you there

**AGE FRIENDLY EASTER EVENT – Kilbride Community Centre:** Join us for an Age Friendly Easter Event in Kilbride Community Centre (F42 N277) on Wednesday, 8th April, from 10:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. On the day: Dr. Martin Daly TD, music, storyteller, chair yoga, and the launch of the Roscommon Age Friendly Directory. Hot food and refreshments will also be provided. A fun-filled day of music, stories, and community connection awaits! This event is free and open to everyone, so come along and enjoy a great day out. For any queries, please contact Linda on 086 780 7438 or [lindadevine@ride.ie](mailto:lindadevine@ride.ie). Organised by Roscommon LEADER Partnership, Roscommon Age Friendly, and Roscommon County Council — working together to celebrate community and connection.

**THE MOBILE LIBRARY** will be in Monksland on Thursday, 2nd of April, and again, on Thursday 16th of April from 13:00 to 15:30.