

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

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

Saturday 23rd May	Kiltoom 7pm	Mr & Mrs Kieran & Mary Gallagher People of the Parish
Sunday 24th May	Curraghboy 10am	Pauline Byrne
Sunday 24th May	Kiltoom 11.30am	Malachy & Margaret Grehan
Monday 25th May	Kiltoom 7.30pm	Mass for all who are sick
Tuesday 26th May	Kiltoom 9.30am	Della Greene
Wednesday 27th May	Kiltoom 9.30am	Cyril & Bridie Downey (Wedding Anniversary)
Thursday 28th May	Kiltoom 7.30pm	Mass for Exam Students
Friday 29th May	Kiltoom 9.30am	Teresa O'Donovan
Friday 29th May	Curraghboy 7pm	Exposition & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Saturday 30th May	Kiltoom 7pm	Martin Reidy People of the Parish
Sunday 31st May	Curraghboy 10am	William Dolan (1st Anniversary)
Sunday 31st May	Kiltoom 11.30am	Thomas Gunning & deceased family members

ROSARY FOR THE SICK

Fr. Michael will have a Rosary for the Sick on the following days in Kiltoom;

SATURDAY 23rd MAY	following the 7pm mass
SUNDAY 24th MAY	following the 11.30am mass
MONDAY 25th MAY	following 7.30pm mass
TUESDAY 26th MAY	at 8pm
WEDNESDAY 27th MAY	at 8pm
THURSDAY 28th MAY	following the 7.30pm mass
FRIDAY 29th MAY	at 8pm
SATURDAY 30th MAY	following the 7pm mass
SUNDAY 31st MAY	following the 11.30am mass

ALTAR SERVERS

Kiltoom: Saturday 30th May, Group 2 **Curraghboy:** Sunday 31st May, Group 1

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	Al-Anon Group Helpline 01 873 2699
Alone 0818 222 024	Aware Support Line 1800 804 848
Childline 1800 666 666	Farm & Rural Stress Helpline 1800 742 645
Focus Ireland 01 881 5900	GROW mental Health 0818 474 474
HSE Drug & Alcohol Helpline 1800 459 459	LGBT Ireland 1890 929 539
National Freephone Careline 1800 240 724	National Male Advice Line 1800 816 588
Pieta House 1800 247 247	Rape Crisis Centre 1800 778 888
Samaritans 116 123 or text HELP to 51444	Senior Line 1800 804 591
Teen line 1800 833 634	Women's Aid 1800 341 900

PARISH OF KILTOOM & CAM

Church of the Risen Christ,
Ballybay
Kiltoom
Athlone
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N37 NY36

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Athlone
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PENTECOST SUNDAY

24th May 2026

Parish Newsletter

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Our Parish on-line

www.kiltoomandcam.com

www.facebook.com/KiltoomParish

Twitter: @KiltoomChurch

Masses live streamed: 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



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 Saturday 23rd May to Sunday 31st May. Each day's intention is accompanied by a short reflection and suggested actions to help build a culture of life in Ireland. Visit 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://www.facebook.com/PrayforLifeNovena) and [@prayforlifenovena](https://www.instagram.com/prayforlifenovena) on Instagram. This is an initiative of the Council for Life of the Irish Catholic Bishops' Conference.

NATIONAL PILGRIMAGE FOR LIFE: The National Pilgrimage for Life, organised by the Council for Life of the Irish Catholic Bishops' Conference, will be celebrated on Saturday 20th June at Knock Shrine. This national pilgrimage celebrates the gift of life and prays for the protection of all human life.

NATIONAL SYNODAL PATHWAY: The National Synodal Pathway has reached an important moment in its journey. Currently, the working groups are meeting periodically to explore more deeply the seven priorities identified by the Catholic Church in discerning what God is asking of the Church in Ireland today. To learn more about this journey, please follow the link: <https://theway.ie/julicann-moran-shares-update-as-national-synodal-pathway-reaches-important-phase/>

CHURCH MUSIC SUMMER SCHOOL: Booking is open for the Irish Church Music Association annual summer school from 30th June - 2nd July at St Patrick's Pontifical University, Maynooth. This year's theme: "*We Are Wonderfully Made*". Timetable, workshop details and online and postal booking options are available on website: www.icmamusic.ie

41ST ALL IRELAND ROSARY RALLY: Annual rally takes place at Knock Shrine on June 6th, inspired by the example of [Venerable Patrick Peyton](#). See allirelandrosaryrally.com for more details, the schedule, and for a list of 50+ buses going from around Ireland.

BUS TO KNOCK FOR THE ALL-IRELAND ROSARY RALLY: leaves Athlone at 7.45am, on Saturday 6th June. Booking essential Contact Caroline 0861960256.

ACHONRY AND ELPHIN PILGRIMAGE TO LOUGH DERG: Dioceses of Achonry and Elphin three-day pilgrimage to Lough Derg will take place from Friday 12th to Sunday 14th June. More details, including bus options: www.elphindiocese.ie/lough-derg All welcome.

ACHONRY AND ELPHIN DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES: The Achonry and Elphin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes will take place from 28th August to 2nd September 2026 inclusive, led by Bishop Kevin Doran.

Youth Section: Nominations for the Youth Section are being sought from parishes for young people aged between 17 and 20 years to participate in the Pilgrimage. Nominees must be 17 years or over on the 20th August 2026. Youth must be nominated through their Priest/Chaplain.

Assisted Pilgrim Section: The Pilgrimage includes the Assisted Pilgrim Section. Application forms for the Assisted Pilgrim Section and full details are available from Very Rev. Ray Milton, P.P., Pilgrimage Director, St. John's, Lecarrow, Co. Roscommon, phone 090 6661115. Closing date for receipt of completed Application Forms: 11th June 2026.

Pilgrimage Enquiries: For all other enquiries in relation to the Pilgrimage, contact Joe Walsh Tours (JWT) at 01 6852244 or email info@joewalshstours.ie

PARENT SUPPORT EVENING: Anam Cara, the organisation that supports bereaved parents, will hold its monthly Parent Support Evening on Tuesday 26th May at 7.30pm in the TF Royal Hotel, Castlebar, Co. Mayo. Free event, open to all bereaved parents. You do not need to register in advance. Online support group meeting also available. Further details: 01 4045378 or email info@anamcara.ie

ALL-IRELAND RALLY FOR LIFE: Takes place in Belfast on Saturday 4th July 2026. Further details: info@preciouslife.com / info@thelifeinstitute.net / 01 8730465.

LINE DANCING: Classes resumes in the handball complex Curraghboy on Monday evenings at 7pm for beginners and 8.15pm for advanced. All Welcome.

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: Congratulations to the children from Ballybay Central National School and Brideswell National School who received the Sacrament of the Eucharist over the past two weeks.

ESKER HOUSE: PURPLE HAND CAMPAIGN Those wishing to put their names forward for the training can contact the Parish Office during opening hours or send an email to kiltoomoffice@gmail.com. **Closing date is Friday 29th May.**

CURRAGHBOY NATIONAL SCHOOL – INFANT WELCOME MORNING: Curraghboy National School is delighted to invite incoming Junior Infant pupils and their families to our Infant Welcome Morning on: Friday, 12th June at 9:30am – 11:30am, Curraghboy NS, N37 EK20. This is a wonderful opportunity for children to visit the school, meet staff and future classmates, and become familiar with their new learning environment before starting school in September. Families will also have an opportunity to learn more about the school's after-school service and supports available to pupils and parents. We look forward to warmly welcoming our new pupils and their families to our school community.

ROSCOMMON SOLSTICE CHOIR presents SONGS THAT BUILT A NATION in Roscommon Arts Centre on 4th 5th and 6th of June at 8pm. Journey through Ireland's story, from ancient struggles in the 1916 Rising. Come and enjoy the music, stories and spirit that helped a Nation. Tickets available from Roscommon Arts Centre.

THE MOBILE LIBRARY will be in Monksland on Thursday, 4th of June, and again, on Thursday 18th of June from 13:00 to 15:30. We have a great selection of books, CDs, DVDs, e-books and audiobooks for all ages and library membership is **free**.

C.E. SCHEME VACANCIES: General Operatives and Cleaning Staff are required with immediate starts available for St. Brigids Parish Community Employment Scheme in Kiltoom area. These positions are 19.5 hours per week. Please note anyone over the age of 50 signing for credits for a number of years can now apply to participate on the C.E. Scheme. If you are interested, please contact: 086 6005961 or email GAAadmin@stbrigidskiltoomce.com

ST. BRIGID'S LOTTO: JACKPOT THIS WEEK €7,800. Last Week's Results Numbers Drawn: 3/6/7/12 No Jackpot Winner SIX MATCH THREE WINNERS Receive €35.00. *Next draw takes place on Monday night 25/05/2026 in St. Brigid's Sports and Social Centre at 8.00pm*

FREE CHILDREN'S ART ACTIVITIES will take place at Luan Gallery, Athlone on Saturday 6th June as part of Cruinniú na nÓg. Activities include artist led drawing workshops and exhibition tours for young people from 11am–5pm. Supported by Creative Ireland. For full details and to book, please visit: <https://luangallery.ie/events-booking/>

RESIDENTIAL RETREATS: Take place at De La Salle Retreat Centre, Castletown, Co. Laois, R32 N6D8, led by Fr. Prince Clarence SJ. 3-Day Retreats: July 7th – 9th and July 14th – 16th. 5-Day Ignatian Retreat: July 20th – 24th. Further details: www.ruachcatholicministry.org / Oonagh 086 1736181 or Phyllis 085 7733037.

ENCOUNTER WEEKEND DONEGAL, Radisson Blu Hotel, Letterkenny. 6.00pm - 10.30pm Friday 5th June. 9.00am - 10.30pm. Saturday 6th June. Expect to experience the presence of God through the celebration of the Sacraments, Spirit-led worship, inspiring talks, healing service, and fellowship. Come and be refreshed and empowered by the Holy Spirit and learn from the Saints how to live the lifestyle God intended you to live. Keynote Speakers: Patrick Reis: co-founder and Executive Director of Encounter Ministries USA & Fr. Patrick Gonyeau who serves with the U.S. Province of the Missionaries of the Precious Blood in Ohio. Bookings at <https://encounterschoolofministrydonegal.regfox.com/encounter-conference-donegal> For more info, email donegal@encounterschool.org.