

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

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

Saturday 29th August	Kiltoom 7pm	Ann Devaney, Catherine Keane, Kevin Keane, Ronald (Ronnie) Keane & Amy Rushe
Sunday 30th August	Curraghboy 10am	Sr Celia Harrington & her sisters Mary & Breda & deceased family members
Sunday 30th August	Kiltoom 11.30am	Michael John & Ann Naughton & deceased family members
Tuesday 1st September—Friday 4th September No masses		
Friday 4th September	Curraghboy 7pm	Exposition & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Saturday 5th September	Kiltoom 10am	Susan Watson (Months Mind)
Saturday 5th September	Kiltoom 7pm	People of the Parish Bridgie & Pat Caulfield Mary & Paddy Kilcommons
Sunday 6th September	Curraghboy 10am	Ellen Gacquin John & Mary McGee & Danny & May Browne Oliver Gacquin Charles & Ellen Byrne Helen Mannion & deceased family members John Joe Flynn & deceased family members
Sunday 6th September	Kiltoom 11.30am	Kevin Irwin Mary Higgins Eileen Grey Martin Quinn



RECENT BAPTISM

We welcome to the Christian Community

Olivia Rose Henry

Who was Baptised in our Parish recently

We congratulate their parents and we wish them all God's blessing



RECENT DEATHS: *We pray for the soul of*

Eileen Mannion, Killaloe, *Sister of Geraldine Kelly, Carrick*

May God grant her eternal rest and console her bereaved family and friends



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

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

**TWENTY SECOND
SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME**
30th August 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 Tiernan (086) 8257831

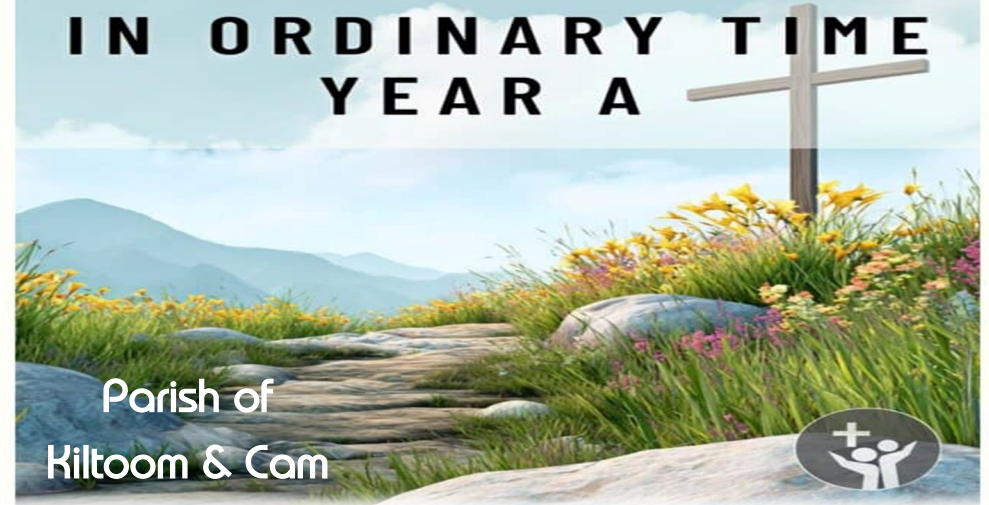
Cam: Deacon Willie Gacquin (086) 1693902

Further safeguarding details can be found on the Diocesan website www.elphindiocese.ie

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OCIA: Adults who wish to become Catholics, or to complete their Christian Initiation (Confirmation and Holy Communion), are invited to make contact with Irene Feeney, who co-ordinates the OCIA Programme in the Diocese, before the end of September. For further information, including contacts, see <https://achonryelphin.ie/the-journey-to-becoming-catholic/>

JUBILEE OF MARRIAGES: Couples celebrating their Silver, Ruby, Golden, Diamond, Platinum or other wedding anniversaries are invited to attend one of two Jubilee Masses, along with their families and friends on either Sunday 4th October at 2.30pm in Ballaghaderreen Cathedral or Sunday 11th October at 2.30pm in Kiltoom Church. Bishop Kevin will celebrate both Masses. Light refreshments will be served afterwards for all in attendance. As each couple celebrating an Anniversary will receive a certificate from Bishop Kevin, they are asked to register their details at www.achonryelphin.ie

FAITH & FUN CLUBS: Supporting Children (8 - 11 years) grow in faith and friendship: New and emerging Faith & Fun Clubs in the Achonry and Elphin Dioceses now enrolling for 2026/2027 school year. For more info please visit: <https://achonryelphin.ie/fafc/>

ST. JOSEPH'S YOUNG ADULT COMMUNITY – APPLICATIONS INVITED: The Dioceses of Achonry and Elphin invite applications from young people aged 18 to 30 years who wish to live at St. Joseph's Young Adult Community, an intentional faith community in Sligo town, while going about their regular work or study in Sligo. To apply: email youth@achonryelphin.ie For further information: www.achonryelphin.ie

TRUE DEVOTION TO MARY: Achonry & Elphin Dioceses' 2026/2027 True Devotion to Mary initiative will be hosted by Boyle parish. For more info see www.achonryelphin.ie/tdm, including details of a 'come and see' info meeting on 9th Sept. Everyone welcome.

MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT WEEKEND: Marriage Encounter Ireland invites married couples to a residential weekend at the Focolare Centre, Curryhills, Prosperous, Co. Kildare from Friday 2nd to Sunday 4th October 2026. Step away from daily distractions to deepen your communication, renew your love, and rediscover the joy of your marriage. Couples are invited to register online at: www.marriageencounter.ie

ST JOSEPH MEN'S CAMINO: *Every Camino changes us in ways we don't expect, every man needs one.* Join men from across Ireland on **Saturday 12th September** for a 25km pilgrimage through the Boyne Valley, beginning in Drogheda. The day includes Mass, Adoration, Rosary, Confessions, fraternity, lunch and dinner, with after-dinner speaker **Fr. Mark Quinn**. Open to men aged 18+. Cost: €65 (student € 55). Registration, accommodation and details: www.dominicans.ie/events. Enquiries: op.evangelisation@gmail.com

ABIDE IN HIS LOVE WOMEN'S CONFERENCE: Takes place at the Great Northern Hotel, Bundoran, from 20th – 22nd November 2026. Join women from across Ireland for a faith-filled weekend with inspiring speakers including Sarah Swafford, Danielle Noonan, Fr Mark Wharton, Fr Barry Braum, Fr Oisín Martin, the Dominican Sisters of Nashville, Bishop Fintan Gavin, and more. A conference not to be missed! Register now: <https://abideinhislove.eventbrite.com>

LOUGH DERG; A day trip to Lough Derg, will take place on Saturday 12th September 2026. Leaving the Sacred Heart Church car park, Roscommon, at 6.30 am. Booking enquiries Teresa 087 1206343 or Noreen 086 3529916 (090 6625209).

GYNAECOLOGICAL CANCER AWARENESS MONTH: Gynaecological Cancer Awareness Month is an opportunity to learn more about the **5 gynaecological cancers** –womb (endometrial), ovarian, cervical, vulval and vaginal cancer. Our new flipbook provides information on risk factors, signs and symptoms, and **the importance of knowing what is normal for you**. Taking a few minutes to learn the signs and symptoms could make a huge difference. If you notice any unusual or persistent changes for you, speak to your GP. FLIPBOOK LINK: <https://publuu.com/flip-book/708759/2576100>

2027 PARISH MASS DIARY: The new mass diary for 2027 **IS NOW OPEN**. You can book your 2027 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 2027 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.

WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL: We warmly welcome all our children, teachers and school staff back after the summer break — those who returned during the week and those preparing to start back next week. We wish everyone a happy, safe and successful school year ahead. May God bless you all as you begin another year of learning, friendship and new experiences.

ATHLONE AND MIDLAND SAMARITANS INFORMATION MEETINGS: Athlone and Midland Samaritans Information Meetings take place on Sunday 30th August at 11am & Tuesday 1st September at 7pm in their centre at 3, Court Devenish, Athlone. If you think you might be interested in becoming a volunteer or if you would like to hear about the work of the Samaritans, please come along to one of our meetings or call or text John 087 7176168 or email athlone.branchrecruitment@samaritans.org. Samaritans provide 24hr emotional support on Freecall 116123.

TAUGHMACONNELL COMMUNITY FUNDRAISER in aid of Irish Motor Neurone Disease Association on Saturday the 26th of September 2026. 5KM Run/Walk starting at Killeen's Togher at 4.30pm. Entry Fee 10 euros. Walk it, Run it, Support a great cause. Every step makes a difference. There will be prizes and raffles on the day. Great family and community day guaranteed.

ROSCOMMON SPCA CHARITY will be holding their fundraising gate collections over the weekend of 5th & 6th September at Kiltoom & Curraghboy Churches. We would be so grateful for your kind support with every donation, big or small, going directly to animal welfare in the County.

DO YOU ENJOY SINGING? Would you like to join a choir? Would you consider joining Cór Comáin - Roscommon Women's Choir? To find out more, email corcomain@gmail.com; Open Day on Thursday 3 September. Check us out on FB or Instagram @roscommonchoir

****CALLING ALL SINGING LOVERS!!** Athlone Choral Society would like to welcome new members, of all genders. We are starting back preparation for our Christmas Concert in December. We practice every Monday at 7.15pm-9.30pm, starting Mon August 31st, in St. Peter's NS Hall, Excise Street, Athlone. If you love to sing, come along and join. We would like to also say thank you so much to all who supported our annual Summer Concert back in May. Email: athlonechoralsocietypro@gmail.com Facebook: Athlone Choral Society Instagram: @athlonechoralsoicety

CONWAY ACADEMY, IRISH DANCING: Classes resume on Monday 7th September in Ballybay Parish Hall. Come along and join our Regional, All Ireland, International and World Champions. Fun, Fitness, Friendship and much more. Contact Edel for further details on 089 6121257

ARCH WELLNESS: Over 60s Strength/Balance and Coordination Exercise Class. Join a community of like-minded people looking to move their bodies, keep their bones healthy and stay functional for years to come! **ARCH WELLNESS** also offers a range of Reformer Pilates classes, 1-1 sessions, Cardiac Rehabilitation and compression boot services. More information can be found at www.archwellness.ie or call 0831100306.