

WORKING DOCUMENT FOR THE IRISH NATIONAL SYNODAL ASSEMBLY:

The *Working Document* for the Irish National Synodal Assembly, taking place in Gormanston, Co. Meath on 17th October, brings together the fruits of five years of prayer, listening and discernment and will guide delegates as they consider and vote on suggested actions to be presented to the bishops of Ireland. While the Assembly marks an important moment in the journey, the Synodal Pathway is now moving towards a new phase of implementation.

Everyone is invited to read, pray with, and reflect on the *Working Document* and the question: "What does God want from the Church in Ireland at this time?" Please pray for all those taking part in the Assembly and for the guidance of the Holy Spirit. Further details: www.synod.ie

WORLD YOUTH DAY 2027 with Pope Leo XIV: Are you interested in travelling on the diocesan youth pilgrimage to Korea for World Youth Day in 2027? The diocese is currently seeking expressions of interest from parishioners who will be aged 19 – 30 at the time of the event. Travel dates are 27 July – 12 August 2027, approx. To register your interest, email Sheena at info@achonryelphin.ie with your name, age, and parish.

IN-SERVICE MEETINGS - NEW AND EXISTING MINISTERS OF THE WORD:

Elphin Diocesan In-Service Meetings for New and Existing Ministers of the Word (those who proclaim the readings at Mass) will take place in Summerhill College Sligo, F91 D5YF, 7.30pm – 8.45 pm on Tuesdays 20th & 27th October; Abbey Community College Boyle, F52 HK46, 7.30pm – 8.45 pm on Wednesdays 21st & 28th October, and Divine Word Retreat Centre, Donamon Castle, Donamon, F42V250, 7.30pm – 9.00 pm on Thursdays 22nd & 29th October. All welcome.

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/>

DIOCESES OF ACHONRY & ELPHIN 2026/2027 SCRIPTURE INITIATIVE: New groups and facilitators being sought. Please consider. Enquiries welcome. More information www.achonryelphin.ie/scripture

EXPLORING OUR CATHOLIC FAITH: The Parish of Saints Peter and Paul's, Athlone, invites you to participate in a series of structured discussions exploring our Catholic Faith. The first four sessions will be held each Wednesday in October from 7.30pm – 9pm in the Liturgical Centre, Castle Street. To book email parishoffice@athloneparish.ie or 090 6492171.

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/>

THE RETREAT VILLAGE AT KNOCK SHRINE: A space for rest, reflection and spiritual renewal. Through guided prayer, meaningful conversation and quiet time for personal contemplation, participants are invited to step away from the pace of everyday life. Further details: John Farrelly, Retreat Village Manager, 086 010 8623/ retreatvillage@knockshrine.ie

YOUTH 2000 EVENTS: Leinster Autumn Retreat - Our Lady's College, Greenhills, Drogheda, 16th – 18th October 2026. For further information on these and all other Youth 2000 events, please visit: www.youth2000.ie

EDUCATION & FAMILY FORUM IN BOYLE CO ROSCOMMON.: Sat 17 Oct 1:00–4:30 pm Frybrook House, Speakers include Jana Lunden the lead organiser of the conference, Dr Niamh Regan Parents Rights, Eugene Gavin expert on new controversial schools curriculum, Lynda Derham NS teacher Irish Education Alliance, Ian Cox Former Lecturer Psychotherapist

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.

NEW NOVENA TO ST ANTHONY will continue on Tuesdays in Kiltoom Church. The novena will be held either at the 9.30am or 7pm mass. All are welcome.

COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION: Anyone who has not yet completed the online form for their child to receive the sacraments in 2027 is asked to complete them. An email will be sent to all parents who completed the form early next week regarding important sacrament dates.

MISSION SUNDAY: Next weekend is Mission Sunday. We will have an extra collection at all masses.

CARD GAME in Handball Complex, Curraghboy continues on Tuesdays @ 9 pm. New players always welcome.

LINE DANCING CLASS in Handball Complex, Curraghboy continues every Monday. Beginners @ 7pm and regular Class @ 8 15 pm. All welcome.

ST. BRIGIDS: Our St Brigid's Senior Men's team will be in the Roscommon Championship Final on Sunday 18th October at 2pm in Dr Hyde Park. We greatly appreciate the support of our parish and we would love to see a big number of parishioners attend the game to cheer on the team. Let's decorate the parish in green and red and hope for a great day. Go raibh maith agat.

ROSCOMMON DEMENTIA ALLIANCE Hosts a monthly Cafe in Lough Key Forest Park Boyle to help Support people affected by Dementia their Families and Carers. This Month's Cafe takes place on Wednesday the 21th of October 2:00 to 4pm and will include Music, Song, advice and a chat. Please note change of venue. If you like to attend, please visit www.roscommondementia.ie or contact Teresa Keegan on 087061183 for more information.

SUNFLOWER CHILDREN'S HOSPICE: Bank of Ireland is inviting people to pop into their local branch on Friday, 16 October for a cup of tea, coffee and treats to support the Sunflower Children's Hospice. The hospice will be the first children's hospice in the region, providing specialist care and support for children and young people with life-limiting illnesses, as well as vital support for their families. To make a donation, visit sunflowerchildrenshospice.ie.

VOLUNTEER BEFRIENDERS NEEDED: Western Alzheimer's urgently need Volunteer Befrienders in your area. Do you have one to two hours per week to spare? Contact Lucy at 094-9364900 or 087-3694477.

A DISABILITY JOB & TRAINING FAIR takes place in Kilbride Community Centre, Four Mile House, Roscommon on the 20th October 2026. It will be an opportunity to meet with employers, training providers and local support groups. If you have any queries, please ring me on 0871080192.

PTAA DINNER DANCE: The Pioneer & Friends dinner dance takes place on the 16th October 2026 in the Sligo Park Hotel. Mass at 7.00p.m. for the deceased members followed by dinner at 8.00p.m. with live music by the Ferryman. Tickets available from Eamonn McGurinn 086-8354464, Mary Clancy 087-9070109 and Fr Pat Lombard St. Anne's 071-9145028. Cost €45.00. All are welcome.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK.

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

Saturday 10 th October	Kiltoom 7pm	Neil, Kitty and Tom Dillon People of the Parish
Sunday 11 th October	Curraghboy 10am	Nora and P.J Coyle, Lysterfield.
Sunday 11 th October	Kiltoom 11.30am	Sean Finneran, his son Michael and Denise and Gerry Collins
Tuesday 13 th October	Kiltoom 9.30am	John, Nonie, Joan & Kathleen O'Connell, & Noreen Galvin St Anthony Novena
Wednesday 14 th October	Kiltoom 9.30am	Myrl O'Carroll & her son Aidan
Thursday 15 th October	Curraghboy 7pm	Michael Kenny
Friday 16 th October	Curraghboy 7pm	Bernadette, Michael & Mary McLoughlin
	Followed by	Exposition & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Saturday 17 th October	Kiltoom 7pm	Francis Muldoon (First Anniversary) & Thomas Muldoon
Sunday 18 th October	Curraghboy 10am	Thomas & Marina Finnerty & deceased family members People of the Parish
Sunday 18 th October	Kiltoom 11.30am	James & Mamie Leonard. Jim & Breda Leonard

RECENT BAPTISMS.

We welcome to the Christian Community

Ally Kate Keena

Who was Baptised in our Parish recently.

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

RECENT DEATHS.

Your prayers are requested for the souls of

Ned Waldron, U.K. late of Curry, *uncle of Michael, Patrick, Edward, and Tom Waldron and Pauline Craven*

Ellen Morgan, Dublin late of Cornageeha, *sister of Margaret Glennon, Ballycreggan*

Catherine Ryan, Kilkenny. *Mother of Dermot Ryan, Kiltoom*

Esther Barclay, Roslevin Lawn, Athlone. *Mother of Jacinta Dolan, Ballybay*

May God grant them eternal rest and console their bereaved family and friends.

PARISH OF KILTOOM & CAM

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**Twenty-Eighth
Sunday
In Ordinary Time**
11th October 2026

Parish Newsletter

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Our Parish on-line

www.kiltoomandcam.com

www.facebook.com/KiltoomParish

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Masses live streamed: 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

28TH SUNDAY

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