YOUTH CONFERENCE FOR YOUNG ADULTS: Join young adults (18-35 years) from across the dioceses for a one-day conference "Hearts Aflame" at St Joseph's Community, Sligo F91 PPF2 on Saturday 28th November from 10am – 4pm. Guest speakers - Fr Conor McGrath, Fr Gerard Cryan and Fr Peter O'Kane. Mass celebrated by Fr Vincent Sherlock. This will be a truly special day of faith, prayer, and friendship as we prepare for Advent. More details on Instagram @achonryelphinyouth or from youth@achonryelphin.ie

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WORLD YOUTH DAY 2027 WITH POPE LEO XIV: The diocese is now accepting applications from parishioners aged 19-30 (at the time of the event) for the youth pilgrimage to Korea for World Youth Day in 2027. Travel dates are 27 July – 13 August 2027. For information and to apply, email Sheena at info@achonryelphin.ie with your name, age, and parish.

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

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/

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VOLUNTEER BEFRIENDERS NEEDED: Western Alzheimer's urgently need Volunteer

FREE DIGITAL SUPPORT FOR OLDER PEOPLE: The Click and Connect project offers free, friendly support to older people in our community who would like help with technology. Learn how to make video calls, send emails, use online services, stay safe online, and keep in touch with family and friends. This project aims to help reduce isolation, increase confidence, and support older people to stay connected and independent in today's digital world. For more information or to register your interest, please contact: Linda on 090 6630252 or 086 7807438

INFORMATION EVENING— Knights of St. Columbanus. Will be held at their premises (St. Mary's Square, beside Church) on Wednesday 18th November @7pm. All those interested in the work of the Knights are invited to attend.

SAVE THE DATE: CATHOLIC MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND: Takes place at St. Mary's, Knock, Co. Mayo from Friday 9th to Sunday 11th April 2027. This residential weekend starts at 7.30pm on Friday and finishes at 4.30pm on Sunday and is open to all married couples. Online booking only at www.marriageencounter.ie

KNIGHTS OF ST. COLUMBANUS: Remembrance mass for deceased members and their families will be celebrated by Bishop Paul Connell at Teach Ciaran's on Thursday 19th November at 12.30pm. This will be followed by launch of the Knights/Irish Red Cross Christmas fundraising initiative for children affected by the humanitarian crisis in Gaza.

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. Thank you also to those who returned their November envelopes. The November envelopes contribute to the wages of the Priests in our Parish.

FR. MICHAEL will be away on Diocesan Conference from Sunday afternoon until Thursday. If you need a priest urgently, please contact 085 8705840

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

HOLY HOUR: The next Holy Hour will take place on **Tuesday 24th November** in Curraghboy Church. We will pray especially for all our deceased loved ones.

THANK YOU: A heartfelt thank you to those who generously donate flowers to our church. Your kindness is greatly appreciated, and your beautiful flowers add so much to our church

TRIDUUM OF MASSES: Cards will be available from next weekend (21st / 22nd November) and can be purchased after masses or from the Parish Office during opening times. The cards are €3 each or 4 for €10

CEMETERY CARETAKER: Expressions of interest sought for the position of Cemetery Caretaker for Kiltoom Cemetery and St. Johns Cemetery. Would suit local person involved in the church or community. Further details available from Roscommon County Council's Athlone Municipal District Office Tel: 0906 492161 Email: athlonemd@roscommoncoco.ie

ROTARY CLUB: upcoming concert with the Combined Bands of the Defence Forced and Guest Artists. Our primary Cause is The South Westmeath Hospice, with a contribution to Rotary Charities and the Amy Benevolent Fund. Tickets are €25.00 each. they are available from John Gonley, Curramore, Tel: 086 7707404, or any other Rotary Member. Poster & details also on the Parish Facebook page.

ST. BRIGID'S G.A.A. LOTTO. JACKPOT THIS WEEK €5,800. Last Week's Results Numbers Drawn: 6/7/10/28. No Jackpot Winner. Two Match 3 Winners, each receives €100. Next draw takes place on Monday night 16/11/2026 in St. Brigid's Sports and Social Centre at 8.00pm. On-line Lotto closes Sunday evening @ 8pm

ATHLONE SAMARITANS CHRISTMAS CONCERT: The 36th Annual Samaritan Christmas Concert takes place on Thursday 10th December in the Church of Ss Peter and Paul, Athlone at 8pm. It features the Army Band of 2 Brigade, Baritone Karl Mc Guckin. Athlone Pipe Band and Coláiste Chiárain Senior Choir. Tickets: €20 Mulligans Roscommon Rd and Whyte's Pharmacy. **The Samaritans are available 24hrs on free call 116 123 for anyone who is lonely, troubled or just needs to talk to someone in confidence.**

CONCERT IN AID OF THE LOURDES ASSISTED PILGRIM FUND: A concert in aid of the Lourdes Assisted Pilgrim Fund will take place on **Friday, 4th December**, in the Mattie McDonagh Centre, Ballygar, Co Galway. F42V211 at 8 pm. Tickets (including raffle) are €20 and are available from committee members, on Eventbrite, on the door or by contacting 087 4922919

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.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK.

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

Saturday 14th November	Kiltoom 7pm	John Joe, Margaret & Tommy Dolan People of the Parish
Sunday 15th November	Curraghboy 10am	Breege Finnerty (Kilcar) (1st Anniversary)
Sunday 15th November	Kiltoom 11.30am	John Nally Seamus Campbell Philomena O'Brien
Tuesday 17th November	Kiltoom 9.30am	No Mass. Rosary & Novena to St. Anthony will still take place
Wednesday 18th November		No Mass
Thursday 19th November	Curraghboy 7pm	Tom & Maura Curley (Grange)
Friday 20th November	Kiltoom 7pm	John Leonard
Friday 20th November	Curraghboy 7pm	Exposition & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Saturday 21st November	Kiltoom 7pm	Jim & Dina Morris
Sunday 22nd November	Curraghboy 10am	Tommie & Kitty O'Brien & deceased members of the Monaghan Families in Ballycreggan & Australia
Sunday 22nd November	Kiltoom 11.30am	Cathal & Kathleen (Phil) Moylan

ROSARY IN KILTOOM CEMETERY after Sunday mass every Sunday in November

RECENT DEATHS.

Your prayers are requested for the soul of

William Cunningham, Curramore, Kiltoom

May God grant him eternal rest and comfort and console his 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

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THIRTY THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

15th November 2026

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