Sunday 10th May 2026
Mass Intentions.
Tourlestrane church

Sunday 10th May: 10.30am:
Monday 11th May: No Mass
Tuesday 12th May: 9.30am
Wednesday 13th May 9.30am;
Thursday 14th May: No Mass
Friday 15th May: 8pm Teresa Durkin
Saturday 16th May: 11am First Communion
Sunday 17th May 10.30am: Kevin Kirrane, his parents John & Mary Kirrane

Kilmactigue church

Saturday 9th May: 8pm: John & Nan Brennan, daughter Rita Durkin, Joanna Brennan, Betty O'Hara, & Johhie, and brother James.
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Wednesday 13th May; No Mass
Thursday 14th May: 9.30am Peter Kirrane
Friday 15th May: No Mass
Saturday 16nd May: 8pm: James & Margaret Gavaghan
Sunday 17th May: No Mass

Lough Talt church

Sunday 10th May: 9.20am: Cora Mulligan, Nenagh Tipperary. (Gorterslin Sligo)
Sunday 17th May: 9.20am:

First reading

Acts 8:5-8,14-17

They laid hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit

Philip went to a Samaritan town and proclaimed the Christ to them. The people united in welcoming the message Philip preached, either because they had heard of the miracles he worked or because they saw them for themselves. There were, for example, unclean spirits that came shrieking out of many who were possessed, and several paralytics and cripples were cured. As a result there was great rejoicing in that town.

When the apostles in Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them, and they went down there, and prayed for the Samaritans to receive the Holy Spirit, for as yet he had not come down on any

of them: they had only been baptised in the name of the Lord Jesus. Then they laid hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

The Word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 65(66):1-7,16,20

Cry out with joy to God, all the earth.
or
Alleluia!

Cry out with joy to God all the earth,
O sing to the glory of his name.
O render him glorious praise.
Say to God: 'How tremendous your deeds!

Cry out with joy to God, all the earth.
or
Alleluia!

'Before you all the earth shall bow;
shall sing to you, sing to your name!'
Come and see the works of God,
tremendous his deeds among men.

Cry out with joy to God, all the earth.
or
Alleluia!

He turned the sea into dry land,
they passed through the river dry-shod.
Let our joy then be in him;
he rules for ever by his might.

Cry out with joy to God, all the earth.
or
Alleluia!

Come and hear, all who fear God.
I will tell what he did for my soul:
Blessed be God who did not reject my prayer
nor withhold his love from me.

Cry out with joy to God, all the earth.
or
Alleluia!

Second reading

1 Peter 3:15-18

In the body he was put to death, in the spirit he was raised to life

Reverence the Lord Christ in your hearts, and always have your answer ready for people who ask you the reason for the hope that you all have. But give it with courtesy and respect and with a clear conscience, so that those who slander you when you are living a good life in Christ may be proved wrong in the accusations that they bring. And if it is the will of God that you should suffer, it is better to suffer for doing right than for doing wrong.

Why, Christ himself, innocent though he was, had died once for sins, died for the guilty, to lead us to God. In the body he was put to death, in the spirit he was raised to life.

The Word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation

Jn14:23

Alleluia, alleluia!
Jesus said: 'If anyone loves me he will keep my word,
and my Father will love him,
and we shall come to him.'
Alleluia!

Gospel

John 14:15-21

I shall ask the Father and he will give you another Advocate

Jesus said to his disciples:

'If you love me you will keep my commandments.
I shall ask the Father,
and he will give you another Advocate
to be with you for ever,
that Spirit of truth
whom the world can never receive
since it neither sees nor knows him;
but you know him,
because he is with you, he is in you.
I will not leave you orphans;
I will come back to you.
In a short time the world will no longer see me;
but you will see me,
because I live and you will live.
On that day you will understand that I am in my Father
and you in me and I in you.

Anybody who receives my commandments and keeps them
will be one who loves me;
and anybody who loves me will be loved by my Father,
and I shall love him and show myself to him.'

The Gospel of the Lord

Offertory Collection

The Offertory Collection for weekend 3rd May was €1,436.65

Recent Death

Pray for Anthony Crowe, father of Mairead Monaghan, who died this week. Pray also for Cora Mulligan, late of Gorterslin, and Nenagh who died recently.

Local Chiropodist

Local chiropodist will be available on Monday 18th May in the Heritage Centre at Joe Dan's, to book an appointment please call Sean on 087 783 5159

Guided Prayer Afternoon

Join the Fr Peyton Centre for Guided Prayer Afternoon on Thursday, May 14th from 2pm to 4.30pm. The afternoon will include: rosary, meditation, silent time and Mass. For information contact: Fina 096 45374 / 087 681 6821

Mass Times

Evening Mass times in the Parish has changed from 7pm to 8pm, beginning on Friday 1st May.

Apostolic Work

Elphin Apostolic Work is preparing for their display day which will be held on 7 June, in Roscommon. There a large number of requests from missionaries for sacred vessels, and religious items eg, rosary beads, statues, pictures, stamps, coins, etc. If anyone could sponsor or part sponsor an item it would be greatly appreciated. There is a box in each church where items can be placed. For queries phone Mary 0874112172, or Mary 0877697297

Telling the Rosary

A Journey through the Joyful Mysteries.
1 The Annunciation (Ms Eileen King), 2 The Visitation(Fr John Carroll) 3 The Birth of Jesus (Ms Louise McGuinness) 4 The Presentation in the Temple (Mr Gerry Farrell) 5 The Finding in the Temple (Bishop Donal Roche)
Parish of Tubbercurry Cloonacool. May 11th –15th at 8pm

FRC

South Sligo Social Club will meet Thursday May 14th at 11am-12.30pm.This Social group is for people with Alzheimer's, Dementia or memory loss and their Family/supporters. If you are a carer/supporter, feel free to pop along by yourself or bring the person you are caring for also. A warm and welcome environment and the all-important cuppa awaits. Contact the FRC for more information or to express interest.

The FRC Café is open on Thursday 14th May from 10am-12pm. This Café is free and open to all in the area to pop in for a cuppa and a chat, why not arrange to meet a friend and see what it is all about. At the Café this Month we feature Mental Health Ireland's Hello How Are You Campaign. Hello, how are you? Is a simple question- but it can make a powerful difference. The campaign encourages everyone to take a moment to check in with the people around them. A small conversation can open the door to connection, support and understanding. Feel free to join us on the day.

Summer Garden Retreats this May 13th and June 3rd with Tubbercurry FRC. Nature retreats are a relaxing half day immersion highlighting our immediate environment and celebrating its beauty. Expect a wide range of activities and experiences such as gardening tips and sowing your own tray of microgreens , learning to forage and using spring herbs to create culinary treats and herbal teas , mindful exercises in nature, i.e. the art of journalling and dawdling , creative nature hands-on-activity, wellness through hydrotherapy (get those feet wet - optional). Bookings to 0719186926.

National Epilepsy Week

National Epilepsy Week 2026 takes place on 18th May - 25th May. For further information, please visit www.epilepsy.ie/content/national-epilepsy-week-2026-epilepsyweek.

3-Day Pilgrimage To Lough Derg

Achonry & Elphin 2026 3-day pilgrimage to Lough Derg: More details including bus options @ www.achonrydiocese.org/lough-derg . All welcome

Synod

What does God want from the Church in Ireland at this time? Since 2021, people across Ireland have listened, prayed, and shared their hopes for the Church. From these voices seven priorities emerged: Belonging. Healing, Shared Responsibility, Family, Faith Formation, the role of Women, and Young People. These priorities come from YOU, the people of God in Ireland. Discover more in "Baptised and Sent". Discover more at www.synod.ie
Irish Synodal Pathway.

Parish Website

The new website for the Parish will be https://www.kilmactigueparish.com/ .It is live now .

Indoor Fitness Classes

Women's indoor fitness classes with rowing as part of the excercise class continue Monday 20th at 7pm in Banada Abbey hall for 5 weeks. Mens indoor fitness classes with rowing as part of the excercise class starting on Monday 20th night at 8pm in Banada Abbey hall for 5 weeks..Cost of each class €30. Ring or text Mairead at 087 9615023 or email banadaabbeyhall1@gmail.com for more details.

Date of First Communions

First Communion will be celebrated in Tourlestrane church for the children in second class from Banada NS and Drimina NS on Saturday 16th May at 11am
First Communion will be celebrated in Lough Talt church for the children in second class in Castlerock NS on Sunday 24th May at 11am.

Confirmation.

Congratulations to the 35 young people who celebrated the Sacrament of Confirmation last Friday with Bishop Kevin Doran.

theway.ie

The Irish Bishop's Conference has launched a new on-line platform called theway.ie to help people to discover, live and pass on the Catholic faith. Please "like and subscribe" to their content on Facebook, Instagram, Spotify and You Tube and pass the word on.

Dioceses Of Achonry And Elphin Pilgrimage To Lourdes – Assisted Pilgrim Section

The Dioceses of Achonry and Elphin Pilgrimage to Lourdes will take place from 28th August, 2026 to the 2nd September, 2026 inclusive, under the leadership of Bishop Kevin Doran. Pilgrimage Highlights includes Mass at the Grotto, Torchlight and Blessed Sacrament Processions, Anointing of the Sick, Water Ceremony. Flights ex Knock Airport. **All booking in relation to the Pilgrimage can be directed to Joe Walsh Tours (JWT) at 016852244 or email info@joewalshtours.ie**

The Pilgrimage includes the **Assisted Pilgrim Section**. Those who travel as part of the Assisted Pilgrim Section will stay in Accueil Notre Dame, which is situated near the Grotto and Sanctuary area. They will be cared for by the Diocesan Pilgrimage Care Team whilst in Lourdes. 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. (Telephone – 090 6661115). Closing date for receipt of completed Application Forms is 11th June 2026.

Accord Ballaghadereen

Accord Ballaghadereen offer a confidential counselling service where couples can explore family relationships. Accord counsellors can help if relationships are under stress. For online counselling please visit www.accord.ie. Alternatively, to book a face to face counselling session, please call Accord Ballaghadereen on 0879972503.

St Vincent De Paul

The phone number for the local conference is 087 3549586.

Parish Safeguarding Handbook.

The Parish Safeguarding handbook is available on
http://achonrydiocese.org/safeguardinghandbook/

🌟 Swinford Indoor Market - Community Newsletter 🌟

Wow. What a lovely gathering we had at the May **Swinford Indoor Market**. Plenty of familiar faces and a superb collection of new ones joined us too. The tables were filled all day long with customers making the most of the delicious treats Cácaí Acla had to offer and coming together to share quality time.

🎨All of our younger visitors to the Market thoroughly enjoyed our free Crafts table and jumped straight in to making some beautiful wands. Don't worry though folks, they all promised they wouldn't be using them to turn anyone into frogs! 🐸
Keep an eye on our social media to see what activities we'll have for you in June.

🍭Our 'guess the number of sweets' competition was a great hit. We had all sorts of techniques coming in to play from calculating the area of the tub to closing eyes and picking a number at random! Our winner, Lisa, was notified at the end of the market so if anyone fancies a Peach Ring she now has plenty to share!

💝We had 20 stalls this month displaying an incredible range of quality and unique products. As always, if you want to reconnect with a trader you met, be sure to check out our Instagram and Facebook pages where many of our stallholders are tagged and listed.

Items this month included; Unique Copper Jewellery from 'Little things By Suza' Beautiful Kitchen Accessories by 'Valden Cottage' (who can easily be spotted modelling her own Aprons throughout the day) Incredibly attractive Hand Made bags by 'Sarah Jane', Beautiful Decoupage homeware from 'Pots, Paws and Bags' and Face Creams, Soaps and Serums by 'Little Bramble Soapstead'

Looking forward…

In addition to all our favourite traders we will also have River's Edge Honey joining us from June. Their bees have been busy making fantastic local Irish honey this Spring. Feel free to bring any of your bee-related questions for them to answer too 🐝

Did you make the most of 'Lynskey Laser Creations' mobile engraving service? From Personalised Pet Tags to Wedding Gifts this family owned Laser Engraving

business can create a perfect product for anyone. Orders are welcome and on-the-spot products can also be created. Stop by and chat to them when they are back in July to see what they can do for you.

Our recent addition of Ballagh Farm Veg Boxes and Eggs were a sell out again. If you would like to pre-order a veg box for collection at June's market please get in touch with them via 0877957190. Veg boxes of various content and prices will also be available again at our June market. A great way to support Irish produce and local businesses.

This month the community table was occupied by 'Wellness with Jadey' who was sharing her wealth of knowledge and experience will all things wellbeing. Jade is doing fantastic work and her details will continue to be shared on the Swinford Indoor Market social media - take a look at what she offers and could do for you.
Our FREE community table is a fantastic opportunity for students, charities and small start-ups to get involved in the market whether to pitch, promote or sell your products. Please express your interest via the email details below.

Our tables always fill up fast so if you are a local maker, baker, grower or craftsperson and would like to join Mayo's Friendliest Market we'd love to hear from you. Our application link can be found in our Instagram Bio or sent directly to you via email.

Please come and join our community at the next market SATURDAY 6TH JUNE from 10:30am for coffee, cake and good craic. It's never been easier to support local makers and creators and small businesses. We look forward to seeing you there.

Swinford Cultural Centre FW12 WK83
Saturday 6th June
10:30-3pm
swinfordicm@gmail.com

Encounter

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://encounterschoolofministrydoneg.regfox.com/encounter-conference-donegal For more info, email donegal@encounterschool.org.

Theology of the Arts. Does the Church Need Art?

This summer we are offering a repeat of the 2018 one-week online summer school motivated by a significant question posed by Pope John Paul II in his Letter to Artists: Does the Church Need Art? Six lectures will examine current theological debate on beauty and the arts, and consider some of the challenges posed by a contemporary culture of image and sound to the Church's traditional understanding of the function of sacred art.

Could you please mention the Priory Institute Online Summer School on your Parish website over the next few weeks and put in this link to find out more about the schedule and to register click here

https://prioryinstitute.com/events/2021-summer-school

Confessions

Confessions is available on Friday evenings in Tourlestrane church at 7pm to 7.30pm in the adoration room.

Mother and Baby

The Mother and Baby Institutions Payment Scheme launched in March 2024 following the Government agreed actions arising from the Commission of Investigation into Mother and Baby homes and certain related matters. The Payment scheme provides financial payments, and health supports to eligible people who spent time in Mother and Baby and County Home Institutions in Ireland. Eligibility criteria can be found online, and applications can be made via an online portal (website below) or by post
Visit: www.gov.ie/en/department-of-children-disability-and-equality/campaigns/mother-and-baby-institutions-payment-scheme/
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Tusla, Meitheal.

Meitheal is a Tusla led process for children and families who may need support. Meitheal enables families to identify what is working well and not so well in their child or young person's life and work towards changes they would like to see happen for their child or young person. For more information on Meitheal please contact 0876562844 or email