Sunday 26th July 2026
Mass Intentions.
Tourlestrane church

Sunday 26th July: 10.30am:
Monday 27th July:
Tuesday 28th July: No Mass
Wednesday 29th July: 9.30am Frs Paddy & Joe Murtagh
Thursday 30th July:
Friday 31st July:
Saturday 1st August:
Sunday 2nd August: 10.30am: Richard & Madge Kennedy, Kennedy and Carr families

Kilmactigue church

Saturday 25th July: 8pm: Tom & Mamie Manley
Sunday 26th July:
Monday 27th July: 9.30am
Tuesday 28th July:
Wednesday 29th July:
Thursday 30th July: 9.30am
Friday 31st July:8pm Kilmactigue Cemetery Mass
Saturday 1st August: 8pm Paddy & Bridget Meers, deceased of family
Sunday 2nd August:

Lough Talt church

Sunday 26th July: 9.20am Geraldine Cunnie.
Sunday 2nd August: 9.20am

First reading

1 Kings 3:5,7-12

Solomon chooses the gift of wisdom

The Lord appeared to Solomon in a dream and said, 'Ask what you would like me to give you.' Solomon replied, 'O Lord my God, you have made your servant king in succession to David my father. But I am a very young man, unskilled in leadership. Your servant finds himself in the midst of this people of yours that you have chosen, a people so many its number cannot be counted or reckoned. Give your servant a heart to understand how to discern between good and evil,

for who could govern this people of yours that is so great?' It pleased the Lord that Solomon should have asked for this. 'Since you have asked for this' the Lord said 'and not asked for long life for yourself or riches or the lives of your enemies, but have asked for a discerning judgement for yourself, here and now I do what you ask. I give you a heart wise and shrewd as none before you has had and none will have after you.'

The Word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 118(119):57,72,76-77,127-130

Lord, how I love your law!

My part, I have resolved, O Lord,
is to obey your word.
The law from your mouth means more to me
than silver and gold.

Lord, how I love your law!

Let your love be ready to console me
by your promise to your servant.
Let your love come and I shall live
for your law is my delight.

Lord, how I love your law!

That is why I love your commands
more than finest gold,
why I rule my life by your precepts,
and hate false ways.

Lord, how I love your law!

Your will is wonderful indeed;
therefore I obey it.
The unfolding of your word gives light
and teaches the simple.

Lord, how I love your law!

Second reading

Romans 8:28-30

Those he called, he justified

We know that by turning everything to their good, God co-operates with all those who love him, with all those he has called according to his purpose. They are the ones he chose specially long ago and intended to become true images of his Son,

so that his Son might be the eldest of many brothers. He called those he intended for this; those he called he justified, and with those he justified he shared his glory.

The Word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Jn15:15

Alleluia, alleluia!
I call you friends, says the Lord,
because I have made known to you
everything I have learnt from my Father.
Alleluia!

Gospel

Matthew 13:44-52

He sells everything he owns and buys the field

Jesus said to the crowds, 'The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field which someone has found; he hides it again, goes off happy, sells everything he owns and buys the field.

'Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant looking for fine pearls; when he finds one of great value he goes and sells everything he owns and buys it.

'Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a dragnet cast into the sea that brings in a haul of all kinds. When it is full, the fishermen haul it ashore; then, sitting down, they collect the good ones in a basket and throw away those that are no use. This is how it will be at the end of time: the angels will appear and separate the wicked from the just to throw them into the blazing furnace where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth.

'Have you understood all this?' They said, 'Yes.' And he said to them, 'Well then, every scribe who becomes a disciple of the kingdom of heaven is like a householder who brings out from his storeroom things both new and old.'

The Gospel of the Lord

Offertory Collection

The Offertory Collection for weekend 28th June was €1,236.25

Kilmactigue Cemetery Mass

Kilmactigue Cemetery Mass takes place this year on Friday the 31st July at 8pm

Rhue Cemetery Mass

The annual cemetery Mass in Rhue will be celebrated on Wednesday 12th August at 8pm.

St Attracta's Well,

The Pilgrimage Mass at St Attracta's Well, in Glenavoo will be on Sunday 16th August at 3pm.

Banada Abbey Bingo

Banada Abbey Bingo this Tuesday at 8.00pm. Play in the Hall or On-Line. Jackpot Game for €2,000 now on 49 calls or less.

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Words of Hymns

The lyrics of many of the hymns sung by the choirs in our churches are available on our website. Look under the "prayers" banner headline and do join in the singing. We are all meant to participate in the Mass. We should not be spectators..

Ballymote Heritage Talks

Ballymote Heritage Weekend Talks: Fri. 31 July, Sat. 1 Aug. & Sun. 2 Aug. at 8 pm nightly. Venue: Ballymote Teagasc Centre, Carrownanty. Admission E 10 , cash only. Speakers: Mary B. Timoney M.A. (Keash), Dr. Marion Dowd (ATU Sligo) & Michael Walsh B.Sc. (Westport). Topics: Local Graveyard Memorials, Cillíní (Children's Burial Grounds) & 1926 - Ireland's Census Release.

Burren Outdoor Retreat,

Burren Outdoor Retreat, Friday 4th September to Sunday 6th September. Would you like to come with us on a journey through the Burren with its limestone pavements, rare flora and ancient sacred sites? Let the beauty of this place renew you in body and soul. Residential (people within easy reach may commute). Contact Mary at 087 970 1130 for information or Des at 085 161 4951 for bookings.

New Diocesan Website

The new Diocesan website of Achonry and Elphin is now alive at www.achonryelphin.ie

Parish Website

The website for the Parish is https://www.kilmactigueparish.com/ .

Keeping Children Safe

The Diocese of Achonry is fully committed to keeping children safe. Information is available about diocesan child safeguarding on the website . Anyone with issues or concerns around the safety of children should telephone the confidential diocesan helpline . Concerns and complaints may also be passed on directly to TUSLA (Child and Family Agency) and/or An Garda Siochana

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/

Pilgrimage to Lough Derg

As a follow- on from our meeting with Tubbercurry/Cloonacool Pastoral Council on Wednesday it has been suggested that we might have a joint pilgrimage to Lough Derg in August.. Dates suggested were 18th or 31st August. If anyone interested please let Fr John or member of Pastoral council know.

Social Dancing

Social Dancing Class. Join me in Buninadden Community Centre each Friday night at 9pm over the Summer months. Learn and enjoy new Social and Line Dances in a friendly and welcoming atmosphere. Enjoy a Fun night of Exercise. Chat over a cuppa. Check out my Face Book Page..... Christopher Beirne Dancing

The Sacrament of Marriage Course - online programme from Maryvale Institute offering theological formation, open to anyone, no prior study required, from September 2026 to April 2027. For more information see https://www.maryvale.ac.uk/marriage.html.

Professional Certificate in Pastoral Supervision, a new 1 Year Blended Learning (in-person & online) Programme starting September 2026. Closing date for applications is June 30th, 2026. Visit sppu.ie/courses/professional-cert-in-pastoral-supervision to find out more.

Man and Woman, He Created Them

The Priory Institute one week on-line Summer School is reflective, informative and interactive and will run from 10 August. The course includes four recorded presentations and one online zoom discussion and is very flexible as it is delivered entirely online. Find out more and register click here
prioryinstitute.com

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2. **Fr. Peyton Memorial Centre, Attymass, County Mayo** Summer Opening Hours (May–September): Monday to Friday: 9:30 AM – 5:30 PM and Saturday: 12:00 PM – 5:00 PM. For more information, contact info@fatherpeytoncentre.ie or call 096 45374.

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Irish Synodal Pathway.

The Catholic Steps

Introducing **The Catholic Steps (www.catholicsteps.com)** — a free online fellowship for Catholics who are working through a twelve-step program rooted in the sacraments. The site offers a structured workspace where members work through all twelve steps with reflection questions drawn from Scripture and Catholic tradition. Each member is paired with a sponsor — a fellow Catholic who has completed the steps — who guides them privately through the process. Members can also connect with a daily prayer wall and access resources. It is open to any Catholic who recognises an attachment — whether to a substance, a behaviour, or a pattern of thought — that is keeping them from God. It offers a structured, sacramentally grounded path for parishioners who need more than a weekly meeting but are not yet ready for formal counselling.

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.

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/

Contact Helpline: 01 522 9922 (call to request application pack)

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