Sunday 23rd August
Mass Intentions.
Tourlestrane church

Sunday 23rd August: 10.30am : Joan and John Brennan (40th Ann) , their parents John James and Margaret Brennan

Monday 24th August: No Mass

Tuesday 25th August: 9.30am

Wednesday 26th August: 9.30am

Thursday 27th August: No Mass

Friday 28th August: 8pm

Saturday 29th August: 11am Bridget Durkin, Michael Durkin, Michael O'Sullivan, Linda Durkin, Maura Barry, Sean Durkin.

Sunday 30th August: 10.30am: Michael & Annie Henry, Carrigeen

Kilmactigue church

Saturday 22nd August: 8pm : Mary & Bernie McNulty

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Friday 28th August : No Mass

Saturday 29th August: 8pm: Paddy Kennedy, deceased of family

Sunday 30th August: No Mass

Lough Talt church

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First reading

Isaiah 22:19-23

I place the key of the House of David on my servant's shoulder

Thus says the Lord of Hosts to Shebna, the master of the palace:

I dismiss you from your office,
I remove you from your post,
and the same day I call on my servant
Eliakim son of Hilkiah.
I invest him with your robe,
gird him with your sash,
entrust him with your authority;
and he shall be a father
to the inhabitants of Jerusalem
and to the House of Judah.
I place the key of the House of David
on his shoulder;
should he open, no one shall close,
should he close, no one shall open.
I drive him like a peg
into a firm place;
he will become a throne of glory
for his father's house.

The Word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 137(138):1-3,6,8

Your love, O Lord, is eternal: discard not the work of your hands.

I thank you, Lord, with all my heart:
you have heard the words of my mouth.
In the presence of the angels I will bless you.
I will adore before your holy temple.

Your love, O Lord, is eternal: discard not the work of your hands.

I thank you for your faithfulness and love,
which excel all we ever knew of you.
On the day I called, you answered;
you increased the strength of my soul.

Your love, O Lord, is eternal: discard not the work of your hands.

The Lord is high yet he looks on the lowly
and the haughty he knows from afar.
Your love, O Lord, is eternal,
discard not the work of your hands.

Your love, O Lord, is eternal: discard not the work of your hands.

Second reading

Romans 11:33-36

All that exists comes from him; all is by him and from him.

How rich are the depths of God – how deep his wisdom and knowledge – and how impossible to penetrate his motives or understand his methods! Who could ever know the mind of the Lord? Who could ever be his counsellor? Who could ever give him anything or lend him anything? All that exists comes from him; all is by him and for him. To him be glory for ever! Amen.

The Word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation

2Co5:19

Alleluia, alleluia!
God in Christ was reconciling the world to himself,
and he has entrusted to us the news that they are reconciled.
Alleluia!

Gospel

Matthew 16:13-20

You are Peter and on this rock I will build my Church

When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi he put this question to his disciples, 'Who do people say the Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say he is John the Baptist, some Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.' 'But you,' he said 'who do you say I am?' Then Simon Peter spoke up, 'You are the Christ,' he said, 'the Son of the living God.' Jesus replied, 'Simon son of Jonah, you are a happy man! Because it was not flesh and blood that revealed this to you but my Father in heaven. So I now say to you: You are Peter and on this rock I will build my Church. And the gates of the underworld can never hold out against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven: whatever you bind on earth shall be considered bound in heaven; whatever you loose on earth shall be considered loosed in heaven.' Then he gave the disciples strict orders not to tell anyone that he was the Christ.

The Gospel of the Lord

Offertory Collection

The Offertory Collection for weekend 16th August was €1,660.90

Recent Deaths

Pray for Bridie Colleary, Enniscrone ,mother of Betty O'Hara, who died last weekend. Pray for Eileen Ginty, Claddagh, who died this week, wife of Ben, and Ben's sister in law, Carmel who died on Thursday night and Tom Tighe who died last week.

Banada Abbey Bingo

Banada Abbey Bingo this Tuesday at 8.00pm. Books can now be purchased online up to 6.00pm on Tuesday. Jackpot Game for €2,000 now on 52 calls or less.

Free Jiving Class

Cloonacool Sheep Festival are providing a free jiving class in advance of their upcoming festival dance with country star Gavin Gribben (Sat Sept 20). Wild Atlantic Jive will provide three weekly lessons leading up to festival dance, starting Thursday 3rd Sept 8-9pm. To ensure a place and avail of this special offer, call Siobhan on 087 4108919.

Banada Abbey Hall

Banada Abbey Hall are planning a full Autumn Schedule of activities for the forthcoming season.
Monday: Infinity Drama School, Ladies and Gents exercise classes
Tuesday Bingo, Yoga
Thursday Bowling, Jiving classes
Friday 25 Card games
Other activities are been looked into.

Theology Online

Study Theology Online, is this for you? The Priory Institute provides online Theology courses to degree level. Attend Saturday lectures in Tallaght or from the comfort of your own home. Register now to begin on 19 September. Find out more on our website, prioryinstitute.com
Click here to see a 2 minute introductory film

Knights of St Columbanus

An Information and Recruitment Meeting for the Knights of St Columbanus will be held in The Pastoral Centre, Charlestown on Tuesday 1st Sept 2026 at 8pm.. We invite you to this Meeting if you are interested in learning more about your Christian faith and sharing it in your Community. We look forward to meeting you.

Poor Clares Galway

Poor Clares Galway, Half-Day Retreat for women 18-40 with women's spirituality speaker Louise Mc Guinness, An opportunity to encounter God's love and deepen your life of prayer and communion with God. The event will take place from **2pm to 6pm on Sunday the 6th of September .** For more information and to register: https://cherisheddaughters.eventbrite.ie

Fr Peyton Centre

Please note that the Fr Peyton Centre will be closed to the public from Monday 24th August to Sunday 30th August to facilitate renovation works at the Centre. During this period, our usual Community Tuesday gathering, including Mass and lunch, will not take place. We apologise for any inconvenience this temporary closure may cause and thank you for your understanding and patience while these important works are carried out.We look forward to welcoming everyone back and returning to normal business from Tuesday 1st September.

ADVERT FOR HOUSE TO RENT AT CORPUS CHRISTI VILLAGE, TOURLESTRANE.

TO RENT - 2 bedroom house in Corpus Christi Village (Social Housing Complex) Tourlestrane, Co. Sligo. Would suit retired couple or individual. Fully serviced, oil fired central heating. All mod cons. Consists of 2 bedrooms, kitchen / dining room, hallway and bathroom. **NO PETS ALLOWED.** Apply by ringing 071 9181562 (Monday to Friday 9am to 1pm) or email banadadevelopment@gmail.com. Phone number 071 9181562 between 9.30am—1.30pm

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/

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Moylough Heritage Centre

Support Our Fundraiser. Win a Center Parcs Voucher or €1,500 Cash ! Tickets €10 Each. Draw: Sunday, 4th October. Moylough Heritage Centre. Get your tickets today: 087 990 5220 | 087 146 8479 or any committee member. Your support is greatly appreciated.

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 https://achonryelphin.ie/jubilee-of-marriages/

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..

'Embrace the Grace'

'Embrace the Grace' Young Adult Catholic Conference on 29 August 2026 is a Legion of Mary conference on faith and culture for young adults (18-40) with talks, prayer, Mass, confession, workshops, food and social in the historic Legion of Mary headquarters at De Montfort House, North Brunswick Street, Dublin 7. It will be a chance to build faith in friendship with young adults from across the country. This event takes place on Saturday 29 August from 9.30am to 6.00pm with a social afterward. Tickets cost €20 and can be booked on the eventbrite website by looking up 'Embrace the Grace'. Any queries can be directed towards deusetpatria@gmail.com.

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

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

Maryvale Institute 6-month online course dedicated entirely to the Sacrament of Marriage, the biblical and sacramental foundations of Christian marriage, and the witness that marriage brings to the heart of the Church's mission. Pre-recorded lectures and monthly live Q&A sessions begin 15 Sept 2026. Open to married couples, pastoral workers, catechists, and marriage preparation teams, and to clergy and those in formation. All who wish to engage seriously with the theology of marriage are welcome. For more info visit: https://www.maryvale.ac.uk/marriage.html

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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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.

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.

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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.

Mountbellew Ag. Show, Co. Galway will be held on Sat 22 Aug 2026 in the Mountbellew Ag. College (H53 WE00). Entries on-line. Closing Date for entries is Sat 15 Aug 2026. Dog and Cat Entries plus Junior Class Entries only taken on Show Day.

Great Family Day Out. Free children's entertainment including magic, scarecrow competition & pony rides. Fashion Show. Well worth a visit.
For more information & details on classes etc, please see our website www.mountbellewagrishow.ie

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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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