Sunday 30th August
Mass Intentions.
Tourlestrane church

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

Monday 31st August: No Mass

Tuesday 1st September: 9.30am

Wednesday 2nd September: 9.30am

Thursday 3rd September: No Mass

Friday 4th September: 8pm

Saturday 5th September: No Mass

Sunday 6th September: 10.30am : Kathleen & Paddy Egan, and Kathy Egan

Kilmactigue church

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

Sunday 30th August: No Mass

Monday 31st August : 9.30am

Tuesday 1st September: No Mass

Wednesday 2nd September : No Mass

Thursday 3rd September: 9.30am:Monica O'Donnell

Friday 4th September : No Mass

Saturday 5th September: 11am Tom Tighe (Months Mind)

8pm Tommie Joe and Attracta Rochford, daughter Carmel and son Gerry

Sunday 6th September: No Mass

Lough Talt church

Sunday 30th August: 9.20am: John Brennan

Sunday 6th September: 9.20am

First reading

Jeremiah 20:7-9

The word of the Lord has meant insult for me

You have seduced me, Lord, and I have let myself be seduced;
you have overpowered me: you were the stronger.
I am a daily laughing-stock,
everybody's butt.
Each time I speak the word, I have to howl
and proclaim: 'Violence and ruin!'
The word of the Lord has meant for me
insult, derision, all day long.
I used to say, 'I will not think about him,
I will not speak in his name any more.'
Then there seemed to be a fire burning in my heart,
imprisoned in my bones.
The effort to restrain it wearied me,
I could not bear it.

The Word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 62(63):2-6,8-9

For you my soul is thirsting, O Lord my God.

O God, you are my God, for you I long;
for you my soul is thirsting.
My body pines for you
like a dry, weary land without water.

For you my soul is thirsting, O Lord my God.

So I gaze on you in the sanctuary
to see your strength and your glory.
For your love is better than life,
my lips will speak your praise.

For you my soul is thirsting, O Lord my God.

So I will bless you all my life,
in your name I will lift up my hands.
My soul shall be filled as with a banquet,
my mouth shall praise you with joy.

For you my soul is thirsting, O Lord my God.

For you have been my help;
in the shadow of your wings I rejoice.

My soul clings to you;
your right hand holds me fast.

For you my soul is thirsting, O Lord my God.

Second reading

Romans 12:1-2

Offer your bodies as a living sacrifice

Think of God's mercy, my brothers, and worship him, I beg you, in a way that is worthy of thinking beings, by offering your living bodies as a holy sacrifice, truly pleasing to God. Do not model yourselves on the behaviour of the world around you, but let your behaviour change, modelled by your new mind. This is the only way to discover the will of God and know what is good, what it is that God wants, what is the perfect thing to do.

The Word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation

cf.Ep1:17,18

Alleluia, alleluia!
May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ
enlighten the eyes of our mind,
so that we can see what hope his call holds for us.
Alleluia!

Gospel

Matthew 16:21-27

'Get behind me, Satan!'

Jesus began to make it clear to his disciples that he was destined to go to Jerusalem and suffer grievously at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, to be put to death and to be raised up on the third day. Then, taking him aside, Peter started to remonstrate with him. 'Heaven preserve you, Lord;' he said 'this must not happen to you.' But he turned and said to Peter, 'Get behind me, Satan! You are an obstacle in my path, because the way you think is not God's way but man's.'

Then Jesus said to his disciples, 'If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let him renounce himself and take up his cross and follow me. For anyone who wants to save his life will lose it; but anyone who loses his life for my sake will find it. What, then, will a man gain if he wins the whole world and ruins his life? Or what has a man to offer in exchange for his life?

'For the Son of Man is going to come in the glory of his Father with his angels, and, when he does, he will reward each one according to his behaviour.'

The Gospel of the Lord

Offertory Collection

The Offertory Collection for weekend 23rd August was €1,181.35

Recent Marriages

Congrats to Seamus Donnelly and Andrea Curley who were married recently.

Bingo

Banada Abbey Bingo this Tuesday at 8.00pm. Books can now be purchased online up to 6.00pm on Tuesday. New Jackpot Game for €2,000 now on 40 calls or less.

Visitation of Sick and Housebound

Fr John will visit the sick & housebound on Thursday and Friday of this week at the usual times

Rhue Cemetery

The Rhue Cemetery Committee sincerely thank to all who gave generously at the rent gate collection. The amount given was €2,235. This money goes towards the upkeep of the cemetery.

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.

Culture night 2026

Ireland's Culture Night

An open invitation to read, recite poetry or play music for Ireland's Culture night 2026. An evening of poetry and live music awaits you with the Phoenix Players and local artists will take place on Friday 18th Sept in St Brigid's Hall at 8.30pm. Please contact Mary on 087 268 0553 for more info. Free admission, come to watch or take part! This event is brought to you by An Chomhairle Ealaíon the Arts Council, in partnership with local authorities and cultural organisations throughout the island of Ireland.

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.

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/

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..

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.

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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.

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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