Parish of Kilclooney & Creagh

Ballinasloe Faith Community Area

15th Nov. 2026 – 33 Sunday in Ordinary Time. World Day of the Poor

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RIP: Helen D'Arcy, Harbour Rd; Terry Heron (nee Phelan) Swords, (sister of Mary and Jimmy Phelan); .Marius Johnston, Banstead, London (brother of Tony & Johnny Johnston, Creagh) Kathleen Raftery, Woodlawn (sister of Margaret Oliver, Beechlawn).

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK IN ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH: 10a.m.

Mon: Dan & Biddy Dowd, St Grellan's Tce; Deceased Committee Members, Staff & Volunteers of Ballinasloe Social Services Day Care Centre.

Tues: Tom McGreevey, Nonie Treacy, Jack Regan, Martin Corcoran & Deceased Mem's of Corcoran & Mongan Families.

Wed: Teresa & Tom Killeen & Family Members, Tanvey Ballydangan , Private Intention

Thur: Patrick & Cecila Dolan, Togher & Padraic Dolan & Sheila Egan; Mary (Dottie) & Paddy McKenna, Harbour Rd.

Fri: Declan Burke, Culpepper, Virginia USA (formerly Dunlo Hill)

Sat: Private Intention

SUNDAY; First Mass of; Sat 7p.m. Bridget & Michael Jennings, Cleaghmore; Christina Kelly, Beechlawn; John, Margaret, Paddy & Sean & Fr Brian Harkins, Dublin; Paddy & Nora Madden & Dec Mem of Madden Family, Deerpark; Anne Kelly, Church Hill; Michael Senior , Nuala Kelly & Michael Junior Kelly, Tulrush;

9a.m. Private Intention

12noon Paul Dooley, Duneeda; Carmel & Brendan Tierney, Ard Mhuire; Jimmy & Vera McDonnell, Brackernagh; Pat Scarry & deceased mem of Scarry Family; Nuala Colleran, Kilgarve.

OUR LADY OF LOURDES CHURCH, CREAGH:

SUNDAY: 10.30a.m. James O Grady, Hawthorn Cresent; Joe & Bernie Grenham, Kilgarve.

Sacrament of Confession: Saturdays 10.30-11.00am

Eucharistic Adoration Weekly: Wednesday St Michaels Church 2–6pm
Thursday St Michaels Church 2-7pm
Sunday Family Centre 4 – 6pm

Week of Witness 15-22nd Nov. For persecuted Christians. See acnireland.org

World Youth Day 2027 Seoul Ages 19-30 Expression of Interest Are you interested in joining our pilgrimage to Korea for World Youth Day 2027? If so, send an email with your name, age and parish to dlohan@clonfertgalway.ie Travel Dates will be 27th July - 12th August 2027 approx.

St Michael's Church Some more help is needed in the area of cleaning in St Michaels Church. If you are willing to help out we would love to hear from you. Please give your name to Siveen in the Sacristy. Thank you in advance.

Want to Sing to Praise God? St Michael's Choir sings at 12 noon Mass each Sunday. New Members are most welcome. Practices will be commencing for Advent and online videos in preparation for Christmas will be made available. To learn more call Michael at 087 240 1766.

Monday 16th November: 10 am Mass will be offered for all deceased Committee members, staff & volunteers of Ballinasloe Social Services Day Care Centre**.** Family Members welcome to attend. All are welcome to go for a cuppa in The Social Services Centre after Mass.

Red Wednesday – 18th November 2026: Join us in prayer and solidarity with persecuted Christians throughout the world at Mass in Galway Cathedral on Wednesday, 18th November, at 6.00pm. The relics of St Amantius, a second-century Roman martyr, will be present for veneration.

Relationship Counselling. ACCORD Ballinasloe offers a professional, confidential, specialist couple counselling service to couples who would like to improve their relationship. For more information or to make an appointment call 0909643573/ 0864149033 or emailBallinasloe@accord.ie

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 Cunninghams' Pharmacies, Printing.com, St Mary's Sq. and Whyte's Pharmacy.

The Samaritans are available 24hrs on freecall 116 123 for anyone who is lonely, troubled or just needs to talk to someone in confidence.

A Christmas Evening of Songs and Stories of Percy French

"Sweep Down to the Sea" featuring Eleanor Shanley, Ultan Conlon & Jimmy Higgins in St Cuan's Church Ahascragh, Saturday, 5th December at 8:30 pm sharp

Roots and Relations wellbeing workshop. Free. On Wednesday, 18th November, (1.30 - 4.30 pm). For more information please contact: Amanda Hunt,
Email: regarirecoverycollege@gmail.com, Tel: 087 968 4352. All voices welcome. 18+

Employment Supports

The Galway Rural Development Workability team, in partnership with Intreo, will host an employment supports and information event at the Raheen Woods Hotel, Athenry, on Weds., 25 November, from 10am. The event will provide information on employment supports, labour market training, education, and related initiatives for people with disabilities. All are welcome.

Exploring the Introductory Rites 2

GLORIA: On Sundays outside of Lent and Advent, on solemnities and feasts, the Gloria is sung or recited. In this joyful hymn of praise the gathered assembly unites with the heavenly choirs. Within this hymn we recall the five actions of the Mass we are each called to: we are here to praise, bless, adore, glorify and thank our God.

OPENING PRAYER/COLLECT: The Introductory Rites conclude with an opening prayer, called the Collect. This prayer gathers (or collects) all our prayers into one prayer of the day. It has a four-fold pattern of 1) an invitation from the priest celebrant to the assembly to pray, 2) a brief silence to gather the prayers of our hearts into one, 3) the prayer itself proclaimed by the priest celebrant and 4) our assent to the prayer in our 'Amen'. The silence within this prayer can help create a sense of unity among the assembly. Like all our prayers in the liturgy, we make

our prayer to God the Father, through Christ and in the Holy Spirit. This can be a timely reminder to us that the celebration of the Mass is the action of Christ and of the people of God, united in common worship.