

Parish of Killelooney & Creagh

Ballinasloe Faith Community Area

Sunday, 8th February 2026 – Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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RIP: Padraic Greene, Coventry & late of Woodmount (brother of John, Colm, Rose & Liam Greene).

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

Mon: Mary Anthony, P.O Anthony, Antu Anthony & Wilson Anthony

Tues: Personal Intention

Wed: Tom Joe & Pat Conroy, Abbey.

Thur: Frances Martin, Ard Mhuire.

Fri: Michael G Ward, Canal Drive & dec mem of Ward Family; Caroline Cawley.

Sat: Olivia Corcoran, Meadowbrook Lawns; Kathleen Lynch, Meadowbrook Close; Margaret Costello, Garbally Drive. Sheamus Cassidy, St Josephs (M.M);

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 15th; First Mass of; Sat 7p.m.

Dec mem of Coffey Family, Ardnaglug; Mary Ann & Jack Larkin, River Street; Dermot, Joan & Padraic Minton, Brackernagh; Norbert & Sharon Colbert, River St & Kitty Colbert (M.M)

9a.m. Personal Intention

12noon: Justin Jose, Jose Antony & John Joseph, Dec mem Feerick & McGuire Fam, Mackney & Poolboy; John O Connor, Bridie, Vincie & Vinny O Connor, Nessa & Ken Bamford; John McDonagh, Creagh; Michael & Mary Coffey, St Josephs Place; John, Sean & Dec mem Cox Family, Poolboy; Susan Hession, Station Rd.

OUR LADY OF LOURDES CHURCH, CREAGH: SUNDAY FEBRUARY 15TH

10.30a.m: Private Intention

Adoration: Wed from 3-5p.m. Intercessory prayer for priests' vocations. Thur from 2-7p.m.

Sacrament of Confession: Saturdays 10.30-11.00am.

Ministry of Catechist and the Permanent Diaconate Would you be interested in serving in the Ministry of Catechist or the Permanent Diaconate in the Dioceses of Clonfert, Galway, Kilmacduagh and Kilfenora? As part of a dynamic and creative team, in union with priests, deacons, parish pastoral councils and others, catechists assist with the delivery of various faith development programmes and opportunities at both parish level and beyond. Permanent Deacons are ordained to a life of service in charity to the poor, the vulnerable and the marginalised. They also provide a ministry of the Word in preaching in Church and officiating at certain liturgies, and Ministry of the Altar, in assisting the celebrant at Mass and preparing people for and officiating at Baptisms and Weddings. Both the Ministry of Catechist and the Permanent Diaconate involve a sizeable period of discernment and formation. For a conversation and further information please contact Fr Hugh Clifford, Tel. 091 637154, Email catechistsdeacons@clonfertgalway.ie before 4th March 2026.

Solemn Novena 2026 — Galway Cathedral Solemn Novena takes place between Monday 2 and Tuesday 10 February: For further information www.galwaycathedral.ie/novena

Pope St. John Paul II Award Ceremony: The annual JP II Presentation Award Ceremony took place in Gullane's Hotel on Thursday last. Bishop Michael presented fifty-three students from Clonfert Diocese with either the Gold, Silver, Bronze or Papal Cross Awards. May the students continue their good works & faith journey through their involvement in their parish & their community in the years ahead.

Clonfert Lourdes Pilgrimage Collection: Thank you for your generous support to this collection which will be taking place this weekend.

Collection Envelopes and Parish Calendars are available from the Presbytery. Thank You.

Celebration of the Sacraments of First Confession, First Holy Communion, Confirmation 2026 We remember in our prayers those who are preparing for the celebration of the important Sacraments of First Confession, First Holy Communion and Confirmation. We also remember their families, sponsors, teachers and our entire parish community who will journey with them.

'Life in the Spirit' seminars: continue every Tuesday until the 3rd March at 7p.m at Clonfert Family Centre, Ballinasloe, H53 NX59. Guest speaker every week. All are welcome to come and see. Details: Theresa on 086 3241269

Marriage Enrichment Weekend. Knock, Co. Mayo, 20 -22 March 2026. Supporting marriages at all stages. Online: www.marriagecounter.ie

Conference on Happiness: in Galway Sun March 8th. Main speaker: Fr. Gregory Pine O.P. Info: www.dominicans.ie or op.evangelisation@gmail.com.

Managing Challenging Behaviour for Parents/Guardians of children who have experienced Domestic Violence or Coercive Control and act out aggressively. Continuing Tuesday 10th of February from 10.15am to 12.30 in FCRC, H53 KC98. The programme is facilitated by Joe Coughlan, Social Care Manager Tusla, its aim is to support parents to keep themselves and their children safe and help their child to develop new ways of coping. For more information or to book a place contact Teresa Madden 085 1846940 or frc@ballinasloesocialservices.ie

Nutrition and Wellbeing Workshop. On Wednesday, 11th February, (1.30 - 4.30 pm). For more information please contact: Amanda Hunt, Email: regarirecoverycollege@gmail.com, Tel: 087 968 4352. All voices welcome. 18+

Rainbows Group Starting on Tuesday, 3rd of March, from 5 to 6 pm FCRC, Ballinasloe Social Services H53 KC98. Rainbows is a free 9-week listening, group support programme for Children and Young People (7 to 18 years) with Bereavement and Parental Separation. For information on Rainbows to www.rainbowsireland.ie or contact Una Murphy, Ballinasloe Social Services on 085 1702530 or email rainbowsballinasloe@gmail.com

B'sloe Flower & Garden Club: Gardening Talk: "Spring is in the Air" by Barry Ward, B'sloe Garden Centre in Gullane's Hotel on Weds 11th February @ 8pm. Adm €10 Euro. All Welcome.

Graduates: Don't Lose Your Seanad Vote. Irish citizens with degrees from designated 3rd level colleges are eligible to vote in the 'Higher Education' constituency which replaces the NUI and Trinity panels in Seanad Éireann. Thousands of previous voters are unaware that they have been removed from the register. To secure your vote, go to www.seanadvoter.ie before February 26th. Evidence of a passport is needed or else email applications@seanadvoter.ie.

Franciscan blessing: "May God bless you with discomfort at easy answers, half-truths, and superficial relationships so that you may live deep within your heart. May God bless you with anger at injustice, oppression, and the exploitation of people, so that you may wish for justice,

freedom, and peace. May God bless you with enough foolishness to believe that you can make a difference in this world, so that you can do what others claim cannot be done." (*Christianity Today*)