

Parish of Killelooney & Creagh

Ballinasloe Faith Community Area

Sunday, 3rd May 2026 – Fifth Sunday of Easter

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RIP: Seamie Brennan, Society St & Athlone; Oliver Cusack, Mackney; Richard Winters, Kilmore Quay, Co Wexford, (brother of Eileen Egan, Birchgrove & Ann McCullagh, Mount Pleasant.); Rosemary Farnon, Aughrim (daughter-in-law of Theresa Farnon, Brackernagh); Eamon O'Toole; Fr Martin McNamara.

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

Mon: John & Rosaleen Dunne, Brackernagh & Mclroy Family, Creagh

Tues: John Finn; Personal Intention

Wed: Tommy, Sheila & Therese Riddell, Harbour Road.

Thur: Sean Caulfield & dec mem Reilly Family, St Michaels Place.

Fri: Dolly & Noel Finn; Anthony Donoghue, Coolfin, Abbey; Joseph Murray, St Josephs Place.

Sat: PJ Dooley, St Josephs Place, (Month's Mind)

11am: First Holy Communion: Scoil an Chroi Naofa N.S.

SUNDAY, MAY 10th; First Mass of; Sat 7p.m. Molly & Frank Moncriff, Cleaghmore,

Dec mem of Harney Family, Creagh; Sean Cox, Poolboy Cottages;

Owen & Kathleen Shaughnessy, Mackney; Mary Egan (nee Fahy) Dun Esker;

Brian Campbell, St Joseph's Place.

9a.m. Personal Intention.

12noon: Michelle Doran, Kilbegley; Private Intention

OUR LADY OF LOURDES CHURCH, CREAGH: SUNDAY MAY 10th:

10.30a.m.: Angela & dec mem Garvey Family & Gately Family;

Maureen Grenham, Portnick; Dec Mem Donnellan family, Portnick;

Thomas & dec mem Ferguson Family, Glantaun.

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 Order of the Permanent Diaconate In order to best facilitate discernment and preparation of the formation programme, the closing date for application for the Ministry of Catechist as well as for the Permanent Diaconate in the Dioceses of Clonfert, Galway, Kilmacduagh and Kilfenora is being extended. 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 exercise a ministry of the Word in preaching and teaching, and Ministry at the Altar, in assisting the celebrant at Mass, in officiating at certain liturgies, 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 fuller

description, please see the brochures that are available in your local Church. For a conversation and further information please contact Fr Hugh Clifford, Email catechistsdeacons@clonfertgalway.ie or Tel. 091 637154 - before 31st May 2026.

Priests Retirement Fund Thank you for your donation to this collection which supports the care of retired Priests of the Diocese.

Clonfert and Galway Priests Retreat: Please keep in your prayers Priests who are on retreat.

Shrine of Our Lady of Clonfert – Come join in prayer for May Devotions. Confessions available Wednesdays and Fridays from 6.00pm onwards. Church open daily for private prayer, 7.00am to 11.00pm. For further information 090 967 5113 or email stbrenseyrecourt@clonfertdiocese.ie Full schedule is on the website www.clonfertgalway.ie

Rosary with prayers for healing will be held in family Centre Ballinasloe on Wednesday May 6th at 6pm. Relic of st. Peregrine available for the sick. All welcome.

Knock Pilgrimage to Pray for Peace in the Holy Land People from all over Ireland are invited to Knock Shrine on Saturday May 16, for a special pilgrimage to pray for peace in the Holy Land. The pilgrimage – organised by the papal charity Aid to the Church in Need – will be led by Bishop William Shomali from Bethlehem. Bishop Shomali will offer a message of hope at 11am, and celebrate Mass at 3pm. All are welcome. More information at www.acnireland.org

Clonfert/Galway Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock: Sunday May 17th. Ceremonies beginning at 2.30pm with Sacrament of the sick, followed by Eucharist at 3pm, followed by Rosary Procession. All are invited and welcome.

Ballinasloe & District 3-day Pilgrimage to Lough Derg: June 12- 14th for further details contact John 086 8600987.

Calling Young Adults to Join the 2026 Pilgrimage to Lourdes Between the ages of 18 and 25? Interested in joining the Clonfert, Galway, Kilmacduagh and Kilfenora Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2026 as a member of pilgrimage staff? Become part of the vibrant team assisting pilgrims who otherwise would not be able to travel. For those who have taken part in the past it has been an unforgettable and enriching experience. This year's pilgrimage takes place from 29 June to 4 July. For further information, staff rates, and application forms contact Darina, mob. 085 2288043, email dmccarthy@clonfertgalway.ie, or contact your local parish priest.

Join this year's Young Adult Camino Pilgrimage (ages 18–35), 11th–20th July 2026. Walk the final 100km from Sarria to Santiago with Bishop Michael Duignan. Step out in faith and experience the grace of the Camino. Includes flights, accommodation and visit to Finisterre Contact youthpilgrimage@clonfertgalway.ie

Alzheimer's of Ireland Tea Morning on Thursday May 7th 10am-12 Noon in Moycam Lodge & Marina, Portnick. Complimentary Tea, Coffee & Sandwiches. Donations welcome

Moore & Clonfad Drama Society will present a hilarious 3 act comedy 'Widows Paradise' by Sam Cree, on Thurs 7th, Fri 8th, Sat 9th May at 8.00pm in Moore Community Hall (N37 HT68).

Anam Cara Galway: the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding it's monthly Parent Support Evening for bereaved parents on Wednesday 6th May at 7.30pm in the Maldron Hotel, Headford Point, Sandy Road, Galway. This event is free and open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or how recent their death was. To find out more call 01 4045378 or email info@anamcara.ie

Pro Life Rally: in Dublin on Monday. Bus contact: (087) 7514387 & (086) 8847745.

Darkness into Light: 9th May @ 4.15am. Assembly Emerald Ballroom.

Prayer You gave us Jesus, the Word made flesh as Mediator, and he has spoken your words to

us and called us to follow him. He is the way that leads us to you, the truth that sets us free, the life that fills us with gladness. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.