

St. Peter and Paul's Church, Ballymacward. **EIRCODE H53 YH60**

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**SATURDAY 31<sup>st</sup>. VIGIL MASS @ 7pm. FOURTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR.**

(Feast of St. Brigid) Mass for the people of the Parish.

(Blessing of Candles for the coming year, and Blessing of Throats at this Mass)

**MONDAY 2<sup>nd</sup>. MASS @ 9am. THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD**

**TUESDAY 3<sup>rd</sup>. MASS @ 9am. ST. BLAISE, BISHOP & MARTYR.**

**FRIDAY 6<sup>th</sup>. MASS @ 7pm.** Rita Jenkins, Ballinastack (Fourth Anniv) We also remember Rita's Sister Mary Fallon, and her Sister in Law Nellie Mannion, recently deceased.

**SATURDAY 7<sup>th</sup>. VIGIL MASS @ 7pm. FIFTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR.**

Michael, Mary and John Creaven, Mounthazel (Anniv)

**READER FOR FEBRUARY:**

**DOROTHY SCARRY**

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS FOR FEBRUARY:** JOE EGAN, NORA BARRETT  
(7<sup>th</sup>. & 14<sup>th</sup>.)

MARY DOLAN, TOMAS HILLARY (21<sup>st</sup>. & 28<sup>th</sup>.)

**The 5 First Saturdays Devotions:** in St Michael's Church, Ballinasloe beginning on Saturday Feb 7<sup>th</sup> @ 9.15a.m. All most welcome.

**SOCIAL CLUB:** The Social Club reopens after the Christmas break this Thursday, the 5<sup>th</sup> of FEBRUARY @ 2-30pm. First event of the New Year **BINGO**. NEW MEMBERS MOST WELCOME, Come along for a CHAT, CUPPA & A BIT of FUN.

**CALTRA DRAMA: "LOVE THY NEIGHBOUR"** in CALTRA COMMUNITY CENTRE on FRIDAY, SATURDAY & SUNDAY 20<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>. & 22<sup>nd</sup>. FEBRUARY @ 8-30PM. No doubt as always, Caltra will put on a great production, with a laugh a minute promised. Don't miss it.

**St. Francis Prayer Group** invite you to 'Life in Jesus Christ' seminars bringing you into a living relationship with Jesus by prayer, music, teaching and fellowship. Starts on Tuesday 20th February at 7p.m for 7 weeks in the Clonfert Family Centre, Ballinasloe, H53 NX59. All are welcome to come and see. Details: Contact Theresa on 086 3241269

**PERSONAL ALARM:** If you are 65 or older and would like to apply for a personal alarm, under the Seniors Alert Scheme Grant, for your safety and peace of mind, please call Galway Contact at 091 867892 or email [galwaycontact@gmail.com](mailto:galwaycontact@gmail.com)

**Save the Club Draw--** Mountbellew Golf Club have launched a "Save the Club" draw with tickets on sale at €20 or three for €50. The prize fund is for 1<sup>st</sup> prize €10,000, 2<sup>nd</sup> Ten year membership of the Club 3<sup>rd</sup> €3,000, 4<sup>th</sup> prize €1000 in Cash. The draw will be held on March 1st 2026. Tickets can be purchased from any club member or online from the clubs website. The club has been rescued by the generosity of members and friends of the club from the "Vulture Fund Owners" but the now West Midlands Credit Union Loan must now be paid off and hence the draw to help with the repayments. All support appreciated.

St. Michael's. / Fr. Michael Griffin Memorial Church, Gurteen.

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**SUNDAY 1<sup>st</sup>. MASS @ 10am. FOURTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR.**

(Feast of St. Brigid)

Noel Treacy, Clough (4<sup>th</sup>. Anniv)

Mick and Eddie Bodkin, Corskeagh (29<sup>th</sup>. Anniv)

(Blessing of Candles for the coming year, and Blessing of Throats at this Mass)

**FRIDAY 6<sup>th</sup>. MASS @ 8pm.** Bobby Hynes, Shanballymore (18<sup>th</sup>. Anniv) and the deceased members of the Hynes Family.

**SUNDAY 8<sup>th</sup>. MASS @ 10am. FIFTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR.**

Joe Connor, Cloonkeenkerrill, (2<sup>nd</sup>. Anniv)

**PADRAIG PEARSES GAA CLUB LOTTO: RESULTS OF THE LOTTO DRAW WHICH TOOK PLACE ON MONDAY 26<sup>th</sup>. JANUARY. WINNING No.'s 12,14,20, & 28. NO WINNER, & 2 MATCH 3's, JOAN HOGAN & CHRISTY RUANE. NEXT WEEK'S DRAW ON MONDAY 2<sup>nd</sup>. FEBRUARY. IN "THE LOCAL", BALLYMACWARD, FOR A JACKPOT OF €5,700. Remember you can play by downloading the Club App, Search for PADRAIG PEARSES GAA. The Club thank you for your continuing support.**

\*\*\*KEEP AN EYE OUT FOR THE CLUBS UPCOMING FUNDRAISER, WITH SUPER PRIZES, INCLUDING 8 ANGUS HEIFER CALVES (Bluetongue Free) TICKETS FROM CLUB MEMBERS, DRAW ON EASTER MONDAY 6<sup>th</sup>. APRIL.\*\*\*

**CHURCH COLLECTIONS: BALLYMAC/GURTEEN. WEEK ENDING 24/25 – 01/26**

W/ENVELOPES	€527.00	W/ENVELOPES	€640.80
LOOSE PLATE	€ 71.10	LOOSE PLATE	€ 23.60
		PRIESTS XMAS	€150.00
6 <sup>th</sup> . JANUARY	€ 23.30	HOLY DAYS	€ 26.50
CANDLES	€ 58.90	CANDLES	€ 56.55

**Cancer Care West Walk.**--The Annual East Galway G.A.A Clubs" Cancer Care West" Walk will be held on Saturday of February 21<sup>st</sup> at 10 30 am from Ahascragh to Ballinasloe. (Further details or sponsorship cards can be obtained from the following Mattie Kilroy ( 0876335479) Larry Lohan (0877661059) or Gerry Hannon (0871937919 ) Donations and walkers welcome.

**"Have you ever thought about fostering?"** Change a child's life by becoming a Tusla Foster Carer. Talk to Tusla Fostering today by freephone 1800 226 771 or visit [www.fostering.ie](http://www.fostering.ie) to learn more.

**Keeping Connected:** Why not visit Clonfert Diocese Facebook Page or follow on Clonfert Diocese Twitter.

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

**Men's Development Network – Male Advice Line** Domestic abuse doesn't discriminate. If you're a man facing abuse, you're not alone. We're here to help. Call our Male Advice Line: 1800 816 588 Visit: <https://mensnetwork.ie/> Our confidential service provides support, advice, and a listening ear to male victims of domestic abuse. Seeking help is a sign of strength, and we're here to guide you every step of the way.

**HopeSpace CLG** provides a free one-to-one listening service for children and young people (4-17 years old) who are impacted by grief caused by bereavement. See [hopespace.ie](https://hopespace.ie), contact Áine at [support@hopespace.ie](mailto:support@hopespace.ie) or call 091 342566/087 4667506 for more details.

**Ballinasloe Faith & Fun Club** is open to children ages 7 to 10 years in 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Class. It seeks to support children develop their personal relationship with God in friendly and fun ways and to experience church membership positively. New members welcome. See [www.creideamh.ie/cfm](http://www.creideamh.ie/cfm) for more information.

