

St. Peter and Paul's Church, Ballymacward.

EIRCODE H53 YH60

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Saturday 13<sup>th</sup>. Vigil Mass at **8pm**. **THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER.**  
**MISSION OUTREACH SUNDAY.**

Dick and Rita Behan, Alloon (Anniv)

**TONIGHT** Saturday Night 13<sup>th</sup>. April, a Sister from the Missionary Sisters of St. Peter Claver will speak during Mass about the Sisters work, and make an appeal on behalf of there Mission, and any support from parishioners would be gratefully appreciated. They will take up a collection at the door as people leave.

Monday 15<sup>th</sup>. Mass at 9am. The deceased members of the Costello Family, Annagh, and the Killilea Family, Doon.

Friday 19<sup>th</sup>. Mass at 7pm. Sean Mentane, Woodlawn (Months Mind)

Saturday 20<sup>th</sup>. Vigil Mass at **8pm**. **FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER.**

Audrey Kindregan, Mountventure (3<sup>rd</sup>. Anniv) and the deceased members of the Kindregan Family.

**R.I.P.:** Your prayers are requested for Mrs. Breege Finn, (Nee Dunleavy) Moylough, Sister of the late Tom Dunleavy, Mounthazel, and for David Adams, Mountbellew, Husband of Carmel Queeney, Mounthazel, who died in the past week.

**READER FOR APRIL BALLYMACWARD:**

**ANN KELLY**

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS APRIL BALLYMAC:** PADRAIG QUINN, BERNIE MORRISSEY.

(6<sup>th</sup>. & 13<sup>th</sup>.)

ANN PEARSE, MARY JENKINS LALLY. (20<sup>th</sup>., & 27<sup>th</sup>.)

**BALLYMACWARD NATIONAL SCHOOL:**

Ballymacward N.S. are celebrating their Jubilee Celebration on Monday April 22nd with Mass in the church at 12 noon - All are welcome. There will be refreshments and a chat in the school afterwards. For anyone working, school will reopen from 6-8pm with a blessing at 7pm.

**BALLYMACWARD/GURTEEN SOCIAL CLUB:** Thursday 18<sup>th</sup>. APRIL - **BINGO.**

**PADRAIG PEARSES GAA CLUB:** RESULTS OF THE LOTTO DRAW WHICH TOOK PLACE ON MONDAY 8<sup>th</sup>. APRIL WINNING No.'s 2,7,15,17, NO Winner, 2 MATCH 3's, KIERAN HILLARY & PAUL SCARRY. NEXT WEEK'S DRAW ON MONDAY NIGHT 8<sup>th</sup>. APRIL, IN RUANE'S BAR, GLENTANE, FOR A JACKPOT OF €8,800 PLAY LOTTO ONLINE @

<http://tinyurl.com/ygpyqc2q> JANUARY

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

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**Sunday 14<sup>th</sup>. Mass at 10am. THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER.**

**MISSION OUTREACH SUNDAY.**

*Eileen Kilkenny, Sheeaun (20<sup>th</sup>. Anniv)*

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**Friday 19<sup>th</sup>. Mass at 8pm.** May and Michael Bleahen, Gurteen (Anniv)

**Sunday 21<sup>st</sup>. Mass at 10am. FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER.**

*Mass for the People of the Parish.*

**Gurteen National School.** Parents wishing to enroll their child in Gurteen N.S., may now do so by contacting the school for an enrolment form. Phone: **(090) 9677966** or email: **[info@gurteenns.com](mailto:info@gurteenns.com)**.

**CHURCH COLLECTIONS: BALLYMAC/GURTEEN. W/E 06/04/23 & 07/04/2023**

W/Envelopes.	€327.70	W/Envelopes	€353.90
Loose Plate	€ 31.70	Loose Plate	€164.55
LENTEN	€ 24.00	LOURDES	€ 5.00
PRIESTS EASTER	€187.00	PRIESTS EASTER	€490.00
MISCALLENIOUS	€ 24.00	HOLY PLACES	€ 24.00
TROCAIRE	€282.40	TROCAIRE	€311.27
CANDLES	€174.90		
STATION DUES	€120.00		

***New opportunity to join Mountbellew CE Scheme, General Operatives Maintenance Workers Duties to include: Working around Mountbellew with responsibility for cutting grass, shrub planting, cleaning, painting, litter control, keeping public areas tidy and maintaining nature trails and general maintenance around the town. This is a developmental opportunity, no experience necessary. Accredited training will be provided to support your career. For further details please contact Sean O' Neill on 090 9679085 /0871209739 or email [mountbellewdd@gmail.com](mailto:mountbellewdd@gmail.com)***

**Medjugorje International Youth Festival** from July 31st– August 7th 2024. Spiritual Director: Bishop Michael Duignan. OPEN TO ADULTS BETWEEN THE AGES OF 18 (by 31st July 2024) AND 35. Subsidised Fare €680 – all inclusive. For further information and booking form contact the Clonfert Diocesan Office: tel. 091 841 560, email [office@clonfertdiocese.ie](mailto:office@clonfertdiocese.ie), or contact your local priest. Limited spaces – first come, first served. Closing date 12th of April.

**ACCORD Ballinasloe** are committed to providing a professional counselling service for individuals and couples who are experiencing difficulties in their marriage and relationships. This confidential service is available and affordable. CONTACT 090 9643573 for appointment or E-mail [ballinasloeaccord@eircom.net](mailto:ballinasloeaccord@eircom.net)

**ACCORD Catholic Marriage Care Service CLG** is currently recruiting volunteers to train as marriage preparation programme facilitators.

- If you have a positive attitude towards marriage in the Catholic Church
- If you have the enthusiasm to be part of the Accord team in supporting couples who are preparing for the Sacrament of Marriage

Accord wants to hear from you! Successful applicants will receive professional training and will be part of a team delivering marriage preparation programmes locally. Contact Aisling on 01 505 3112 or by email to [marriagepreparation@accord.ie](mailto:marriagepreparation@accord.ie) [www.accord.ie](http://www.accord.ie)

**CANA Talks** – “A Roadmap to Happiness” – T.F Royal Theatre, Castlebar – Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May, 8 pm. 6 speakers plus Special Guests. Inspiration + Entertainment. Each speaker has just 15 minutes to inspire you (from a faith perspective)! Enjoy real-life stories, humour, inspiring talks, great visuals, music, + more. This is not a conference, but a show! Tickets €20 + booking fee @ [www.ticketmaster.ie](http://www.ticketmaster.ie). Can pay cash at the or. [www.canatalks.com](http://www.canatalks.com)

### **Prayer for Vocations in the Diocese of Clonfert**

Lord of the Harvest,

Bless young people in the Diocese of Clonfert with the gift of  
Courage to respond to your call of service.

Open their hearts to great ideals and wonderful things.

Inspire all of your disciples to mutual love and giving;

For vocations blossom in the rich soil of faithful people.

Inspire priests and religious, all our parishioners and families

With the confidence and grace to invite our young people

To consider the exciting and noble path of life dedicated and consecrated to You.

Unite us to Jesus Through prayer and sacrament,

So that we may cooperate With you in building your kingdom of  
Mercy and truth, of justice and peace. Amen.