## Parish of Kilclooney & Creagh

Ballínasloe Faith Community Area Sunday, September 28<sup>th</sup> 2025 - 26<sup>th</sup> Sunday in O.T Tel (090) 9643916 email: <u>stmichaelsballinasloe@clonfertdiocese.ie</u>

<u>RIP:</u> Thomas (Tom) Hughes, Station Rd. Ita Pardy, Lawrencetown, (mother of Aileen Burke, Mackney).

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

Mon: Thomas Corcoran; Dec Mem of Flannelly Family & McCormack Family,

Aisling Heneghan Beegan, Newtown.

Tues: Patrick (Paddy) Kelly, Willow Park, Derrymullen.

Weds: Pat Aylward, Kilgarve Gardens.

Thur: Dec Mem Naughton Family, Kilconnell.

Fri: John & Ann Madden, Deerpark.

Sat: William Goode.

## SUNDAY, OCTOBER 5th; First Mass of; Sat 7p.m.

Bridget Scates, Daniel Dowd, Jimmy Scates & Ann Dowd; Mary Fogarty, St Michaels Place; Nancy & Julia Kenny, Mackney. Paddy & Ann Delaney, Brackernagh.

9a.m. Personal Intention

12noon: Jimmy & Margaret Higgins, Glantaun. Patsy, Nell & Helen Carrig,

Eileen Barry, Aine Hill.

## OUR LADY OF LOURDES CHURCH, CREAGH: SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4th

10.30a.m: People of the Parish

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<u>Adoration:</u> Wed from 3-5p.m. Intercessory prayer for priests' vocations. Thur from 2-7p.m. **Sacrament of Confession:** Saturdays 10.30-11.00am

A 1st Class Relic of St. Carlos Acutis will be visiting Emmanuel House of Providence, Clonfert for two days on 4th and 5th October. We are also blessed to have a 1st Class relic of St. Oliver Plunkett for one day on 4th October. Mass will be celebrated at 3 pm both days. The Cistercian Community at St Mary's Abbey, Glencairn invites single women aged 19–40 to our upcoming Monastic Vocations Weekend 24th-27th October 2025 Please contact our Vocation Director, Sr Mairéad, at vocations@glencairnabbey.org

Visit www.glencairnabbey.org for more details.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter – Marriage Enrichment Weekend: Rediscover each other in Focolare Centre, Curryhills, Prosperous, Co Kildare on Friday 7th – Sunday 9th November Milford Care Centre & Anam Cara: the organisation that supports bereaved parents in your community, will host a Bereavement Info Evening on Thursday 9th October @ 7:00pm pm in the Castletroy Park Hotel, Dublin Road, Limerick. This event is open to bereaved parents only. Our guest speaker is Dr. Tara Geraghty, a clinical psychologist with Cancer Care West. She has a special interest in supporting those directly and indirectly impacted by cancer related distress and bereavement. This is a free event but we would ask that parents register via the

link. Click here to register Contact Number Office 01 4045378 & NI 02895213120, Email Address I.milligan@anamcara.ie Web www.anamcara.ie

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 <a href="mailto:galwaycontact@gmail.com">galwaycontact@gmail.com</a>

Mental Health and Wellbeing Education: Regari Recovery College will be back with a range of Wellbeing Workshops in Ballinasloe Town (Clonfert Family Centre) on Wednesday 1st October, (1:30- 4:30pm). First topic is about Recovery from Challenges. For more information please contact: Amanda Hunt Email: <a href="mailto:regarirecoverycollege@gmail.com">regarirecoverycollege@gmail.com</a>. or Tel: 087 968 4352 Workshops are fun and free to attend! All voices welcome. 18+

<u>Together We Can Concert</u>: for Children in Cambodia (BFT) on Saturday 11th October at the Dean Crowe Theatre, Athlone. Artists appearing are: Shaskeen, MegaTrad, Trish Reilly and Sarah Clogher Dancers. Doors open 7 pm Concert starts at 8 pm. Tickets online <a href="https://www.deancrowetheatre.com">www.deancrowetheatre.com</a> or theatre office: 090 6492129.

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: <a href="https://mensnetwork.ie/">https://mensnetwork.ie/</a> 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.

2025. Open to all married couples. Register online at <a href="www.marriageencounter.ie">www.marriageencounter.ie</a>
<a href="#">"He doesn't believe in Hell."</a>
You may have heard about a young woman about to get married who said to her mother, "I can't marry him, mother. He' is an atheist and he doesn't believe there is a Hell." Her mother responded, "That's all right, dear! Marry him, and between the two of us I am sure we can convince him."

The parable which transformed St. Vincent de Paul and Frederick Ozanam: September 27th is the feast of Saint Vincent de Paul. In 16th century France, Saint Vincent de Paul observed the disparity between the rich and the poor. As a priest, he had the opportunity to experience the aristocratic life as well as the life of the destitute poor in Paris. He organized groups of women called Charities who gave their time and belongings to the poor. Some of these women chose the consecrated life and became the first female congregation to live a consecrated life "in the world." and not in the cloister. Saint Vincent de Paul and Saint Louise de Marillac founded this congregation, named the "Daughters of Charity." The first U.S.-born saint, Mother Elizabeth Ann Seton, founded the U.S. branch of the Daughters of Charity. Two centuries after Saint Vincent de Paul, a 20-year old college student, Frederick Ozanam, and five other students, witnessed the dire poverty of the lower social classes in Paris. They decided to dedicate themselves to the poor, after the example of Saint Vincent de Paul. In 1833, they established the "Conference of Charity of Saint Vincent de Paul," soon to be called "The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul." They were determined to bring not only bread but friendship to the poor. They would not ignore the Lazaruses at their door in 19th century Paris. Frederic Ozanam was beatified by Pope John Paul II in 1997.

Would you be willing to serve in Creagh and St Michael's Church? The Parish Pastoral Council are currently actively looking for members of our Church community to assist in the following ways: Readers of The Word; Ministers of the Eucharist; Cleaners. Training will be offered. If you feel you would like to help then please contact the Presbytery on (090) 9643916, or through the email address above.