



# Graiguecullen/Killeshin PARISH LINK Sunday 9th April 2023 Easter Sunday



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## HAPPY EASTER

WE WISH YOU ALL A HAPPY AND HOLY EASTER



### Church Services for this week (EASTER SUNDAY)

Sun 9<sup>th</sup> Apr

**6.30am**:- Easter Dawn Mass at Oisín House, Rossmore  
Masses at 9.00am, 11.30am in St. Clare's Church &  
10.15am in Holy Cross, Killeshin

Tues-Fri 11<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup>  
Thurs 13<sup>th</sup>

10.00am Mass in St Clare's  
8.00pm Welsh Symphonic Wind Band in St Clare's Church  
(in aid of St Clare's Food Kitchen)

Mon 17<sup>th</sup> April

7.30pm First night of our 9-night Novena

**Priests Easter Collection**:-  
the quarterly collection for the support of the priests of the parish will be taken up at all Masses this Easter weekend. Special envelopes are in the envelope boxes or alternatively you can use the special envelopes available at church doors.

### Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help

begins on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April at 7.30pm in St Clare's Church.

We invite people to place their petitions in the petition boxes in St Clare's Church. During our Novena, through the prayers of our Faith Community and the intercession of Our Lady we will ask Jesus to relieve whatever burdens we carry. Rosary recited at 7.10pm and Novena begins at 7.30pm

**This year's Theme is: "United in Prayer"**

**GUEST SPEAKER** for the first night (Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April) is:  
Fr Peter McVerry-Social activist & founder of Peter McVerry Trust



### Guest Speakers for this year's Novena

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| 24 <sup>th</sup> April | Fr Vincent Stapleton   | Curate in Thurles Parish - Member of the Borris-Ileigh Senior Hurling Team   |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> May    | Dr Halyna Teslyuk      | Lecturer in Religious Education at St. Angela's College, Sligo   |
| 8 <sup>th</sup> May    | Gerard Hanley          | Director of Alpha Ireland  |
| 15 <sup>th</sup> May   | Fr Vincent Sherlock PP | Parish Priest of Tubbercurry, Co Sligo & Internet Blogger  |
| 22 <sup>nd</sup> May   | Kathleen Chada         | Mother of Eoghan and Ruairi Chada  |
| 29 <sup>th</sup> May   | Fr Liam Lawton         | Parish Priest of Edenderry, Co Offaly & Irish Singer-Songwriter  |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> June   | Dr Nicola Brady        | Chair of the Steering Committee of the Irish Synodal Pathway   |
| 12 <sup>th</sup> June  | Anne McClean           | Retired HSE Director of Nursing and currently a Visiting Director with Manresa, Jesuit Centre of Spirituality, Clontarf. |

### Graiguecullen Bingo on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> April 2023 St.Fiac's Hall @ 8.30pm.

Jackpot on 50 numbers €7,070  
Double number €460-Lotto €1,400  
Come along & bring a friend!

**Welsh Symphonic Wind Band in Concert in St Clare's Church, Graiguecullen on this Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> April at 8.00pm in aid of St Clare's Hospitality Food Kitchen.** A concert of popular classics to film scores and pop tunes performed by the dynamic and exciting Carmarthen Symphonic Wind Band. It promises to be an unforgettable musical and cultural experience. **Tickets €10 available from Pan Celtic Festival Office & Graiguecullen Parish Office.**

**Oisín Players Killeshin presents "IT'S THE REAL MCCOY"** in the Glenside Lounge, Killeshin on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> April @ 8pm. All proceeds on this night are going to Graiguecullen/Killeshin Lourdes Invalid Fund. Tickets €10 are available from The Thatch Bar, the Parish Centre or Ursula Hayden 085 1794664.

Win a 2 night B/B stay midweek for 2 at The Gleneagle Hotel, Killarney - raffle will take place during Pan Celtic International Festival (11<sup>th</sup> - 16<sup>th</sup> April) in aid of St Clare's Hospitality Food Kitchen. Tickets €5 available in Parish Office.

**DAWN MASS** On Easter Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> April, at 6.30am at Oisín Park/House, Upper Rossmore, Killeshin. People travelling to the event are asked to arrive not later than 6.15am and where possible to share transport in order to help with the parking. Wrap up warm and bring something to sit on!

## ANNIVERSARIES

**(Please note all Anniversaries can be emailed to [gkparish@gmail.com](mailto:gkparish@gmail.com))**

**Sat 8<sup>th</sup> 7.30pm** (Months Mind) Dympna Lynch & sister Yvonne Weston, Drogheda  
(First Anniversary) Betty Townsend (née Brennan) Sleaty St  
Josephine Shaw, Maher Rd also her father Denis  
Gerry Bradley, Maryboro St (Birthday Rem)

**Sun 9<sup>th</sup> 6.30am**  
**9am**  
(Vincent & Mary Blake)-(Bridget Perry, Bestfield)  
Jimmy & Josie Brennan, Staunton Ave  
(Colette Bolton, Lr Rossmore)-(Edward Dowling, Lr Rossmore)  
Gerry Bradley, Maryboro St (Birthday Rem)

**11.30am** (First Anniversary & Birthday Rem) Frank Scully, 108 Green Rd  
Mary Drennan, Mortarstown & Killeshin  
William & Bridget Drennan, Killeshin  
Ray Conlon, Killeshin Rd  
John Gleeson, Kilcumney, Goresbridge



**Tues 11<sup>th</sup> 10am**  
(Martin & Darren Darcy)-(Thomas & Mary Alice Byrne)  
(Josephine Shaw, Maher Rd)-(Intention Mass)  
Fr Frank Caffery & Liam Gaffney, Mayo  
Robert & Fred Byrne, Moone

**Thurs 13<sup>th</sup> 10am**  
**Sat 15<sup>th</sup> 6.30pm** (First Anniversary) Joseph (Joe) Middleton, 30 Pacelli Ave  
(Bill Abbey, Garryhendon)-(Kathleen Byrne, Ballickmoyler)  
Inez Feehan, Ballickmoyler  
Eddie Dagg, 2 Monacurragh  
Sarah & Dan Quinn, Tipperary

**Sun 16<sup>th</sup> 9am**  
**10.15am** (First Anniversary) Betty Hurley, 11 Chapel St  
Teresa & Dinny Doran, Keelogue  
(Dinny Dempsey, Killeshin)-(Chris Delaney, St Killian's Cres)  
Andrew & Mary Dowling, Ardenteggle



Patsy Fitzpatrick, Cappalug also his parents William & Mary, Clonmore  
**11.30am** (Months Mind) Aisling Nolan McDonald, Graiguealug & Leighlin Rd  
Geraldine Kelly, College Green  
Oliver Doyle, 2 The Numbers  
Jimmy & Josie Brennan, Staunton Ave  
John Kearns, Knockbeg

*R.P.P.*  
Bridget (Bridie) Burns, Balbriggan, Co Dublin  
Siobhán Ryan-Ovington, Coolhenry, Portlaoise Rd, Carlow  
Bernadette Mannion (née Hayes), Ballyhide & formerly Maher Road  
Isabel Serafim (née Da Silva), 8 Tommy Murphy Park, Graiguecullen  
John Lennon, Leighlin Road, Graiguecullen  
*R.P.P.*

**Evangelisation & Vocation Conference: Priesthood in a Synodal Church**-In life, many hear God's call to priesthood. Is your heart open to the Lord? Have you ever considered taking the risk to follow in the footsteps of Jesus? If so, you are invited to the national seminary of Saint Patrick's College, Maynooth, on 25 April, to attend a special conference on evangelisation and vocations in Ireland today. Archbishop Rino Fisichella, Pro Prefect of the Vatican's Dicastery for Evangelisation, will be the keynote speaker. Please register directly on [www.vocations.ie](http://www.vocations.ie), or contact the National Vocations director Father Willie Purcell at [willie.purcell@iecon.ie](mailto:willie.purcell@iecon.ie) or Rev Eric Cooney secretary of the National Vocations Office at [eric.cooney@iecon.ie](mailto:eric.cooney@iecon.ie) May God bless you!

**Burren Outdoor Retreat. Sunday 16th to Tuesday 18th April**-Would you like to come on a guided journey through the Burren with its limestone pavements, rare flora and ancient sacred sites? Let the beauty of the amazing Burren landscape renew you in body and soul. Information: Mary 087 970 1130. Booking: Des 085 1614951

**ANNUAL LOURDES PILGRIMAGE**-This year's trip will take place from 28th July to 2nd August 2023 and we will be staying at the Astoria Hotel as usual. The cost of this year's pilgrimage is €895. This is made up of €856 per person sharing and an additional cost for insurance of €39 per person. Some may already have personal travel insurance and not wish to avail of the group insurance. The single room supplement is €175. If you are interested in travelling with us this year, contact the parish office or call Ursula on 085 1794664. We will be taking deposits for the trip each Wednesday from 11am-12noon in the Parish Office. The deposit amount this year is €300. **Final date for bookings Wednesday 3rd May.**

## Weekly Collections 1st/2nd April

Red Bag: €1,053  
Blue Bag: €1,735  
Direct Debits: €147  
Tap Donations: €63

We thank you for your support.

**Pre-Baptism Meeting** – our next pre-baptism meeting will take place on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> May @ 7pm. All parents who are presenting their child for baptism in the next few months are invited to attend.

## Éist Cancer Support Centre

**AGM**-The Annual General Meeting of Éist Cancer Support Centre will take place on **Wednesday April 26th, 2023 at 8pm**. This meeting will be held in Éist Cancer Support Centre, 46 Idrone Park, Carlow R93 R280. For any queries please call 085 8661499

**Trocaire Boxes:** can still be returned to the Parish Office. Your donations are greatly appreciated.

An Gairdin Beo hosts 'Memory Palace of Tree Stories on Video' facilitated by artist Niamh Cunningham. Storytellers of Carlow unveil a treasure of tales and the unexpected which have emerged through workshops at An Gairdin Beo. Venue: An Gairdin Beo Date: Thursday 13th April Time: 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. All are welcome. Supported by KCETB, Carlow County Council & Creative Ireland.

**The Barrow Valley Art Group** is holding an exhibition of members paintings in Carlow Library in association with Pan Celtic Festival. The exhibition will open on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> April and run until Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> April. Admission is free.

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Summer Outing: trip to Westport Woods Hotel & Spa – Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> to Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June, B & B and dinner each evening. €550 pps single supplement €20 per night. Names to Eddie Whelan 086 8173843 asap. Deposit of €200 to be paid before 23<sup>rd</sup> April.

Carlow Active retired members meeting on Wednesday 12th April @ 2.30pm in the Cathedral Parish centre. €2 per member. New members welcome.