***Keash/Culfadda Newsletter February 5th 2023***

***Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time***

***Year A***

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**St Kevin’s Church Keash.**

**Saturday 4th  7.00pm** Paddy Brennan, Cletta (Months Mind).

**Wednesday 8th 10.00am** People of the parish.

**Friday 10th 10.00am.**

**Saturday 11th 7.00pm** Mary Cawley (3rd Anniversary) and her husband Tom, Carrowcrory

and the deceased members of the Cawley, Tansey and Clarke

families, also,

Pakie and Maureen Shannon, Townaghmore.

**Our Lady of the Rosary Church Culfadda.**

**Sunday 5th 10.00am**  Paddy Coen, Finisklin, (Months Mind) also,

James Killoran and the deceased members of the Killoran family.

**Monday 6th 10.00am.**

**Tuesday 7th 10.00am.**

**Sunday 12th 10.00am** John Hannon, Battlefield, his brother Batty and the deceased members

of the Hannon and Scanlon families.

**Readers.**

**Saturday 4th** Martin Tansey. **Sunday 5th** Sharon Hunt.

**Saturday 11th** Mary Frances Dwyer. **Sunday 12th** Mary Dwyer.

**Recent Deaths.**

Your prayers are requested for Andrew Queenan, Manchester, (nephew of John Queenan, Rooskeymore and James Queenan, Lisananny), also Frank Murray, Mountcharles, Co Donegal (father of Deirdre Corcoran, Seefin) who died recently. May their souls rest in peace. Amen.

**Recent Wedding.**

We congratulate Aisling Egan (Principal of Culfadda N.S) and Tony Taylor, Gurteen, who were married in the Church of the Holy Rosary Kilmactigue, Aclare, Co. Sligo on Saturday January 28th 2023. We congratulate them and their families and we wish them a long and happy life together.

**Feast of St Blaise.**

This year the 3rd of February fell on Friday last, and we will still have the blessing of the throats at all Masses this weekend. The Blessing of St Blaise is a sign of our faith in God’s protection and love for us and for the sick. Using two crossed and unlighted candles, blessed on the memorial of St Blaise or on the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord, the minister touches the throat of each person, saying, ‘through the intercession of St Blaise, bishop and martyr, may God deliver you from all ailments of the throat and from every other evil. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.’

**Keash Church Renovation Fund.**

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| **Total received to date €17,674** |

We wish to acknowledge having received donations of €1,000, €200, €100 & €20 towards Keash Church Renovation Fund. We have to raise approximately €65,000 to pay for the cosmetic works. Thank you to everyone for their ongoing generosity and support. ‘For all things come from you, and of your own have we given you’ 1 Chronicles 29:14b.

**Keash National School – Third Classroom Teacher Granted.**

Scoil Naomh Muire, Keash NS is delighted to announce we will be getting a third mainstream classroom teacher from September 2023. We have now got 50 students attending our school which allows us to gain a third teacher. This is great news for the students, teachers and community and we are looking forward to having smaller numbers in our classrooms from September.

**Keash National School Enrolment 2023-2024.**

Keash NS is currently accepting applications for enrolment for the 2023-2024 school year. Please email the school at [keashns@gmail.com](mailto:keashns@gmail.com) or text/ring 087 6265789 and we can send you an enrolment form. We look forward to welcoming our new students in September.

**Workshop for Parish Choirs.**

Regina Deasy has agreed to offer a workshop for parish choirs in the diocese on Tuesday, February 21st in Swinford Parish Church at 7.30 pm. She can only offer this once, on this occasion, so that this will be the only opportunity for some work with the choirs in preparation for the Easter liturgies. The last workshops were greatly appreciated by those who participated, and this should be another good opportunity for them to work on their repertoires for Easter.

**Marking 50 Years of Trocaire in your parish.**

On the Feast of the Presentation of our Lord in 1973, the Irish Bishops wrote to the Christian people of Ireland establishing Trócaire. As we mark 50 years of Trócaire, we mark 50 years of perseverance, courage, participation, accountability and solidarity. From supporting human rights defenders in Central America, to leading the relief effort in Vietnam following the war, to providing essential emergency assistance in the midst of crisis, Trócaire has been proud to work on behalf of the people of the island of Ireland in fighting injustice across the world. We thank God for our supporters and partners who empower us to do this vital work. We pray that the next fifty years will see all the people of the world working together for a more just world, and that the fruits of this work will be clear to see.

**50th Anniversary Prayer for Trocaire.**

We pray for God’s blessing on the work of Trócaire. We pray that all people may continue to work together for the respect of our shared human dignity and shared human rights. We thank God for the partners and generous supporters who have enabled Trócaire to continue their work for over fifty years, empowering communities to work together for a just world. We pray for peace and may that peace be mine and yours, and with all people experiencing crises in our world. Amen.

**Coleman Music Theatre.**

Annual Fundraising Concert in the Coleman Music Theatre on Sat February 11th @8pm. Great line up of acts including Ceoltoiri Coleman, Fr James Mc Donagh, Harry McGowan, Seamus O’ Donnell. For a full line up and bookings contact 071 9182599 or visit our website [www.colemanirishmusic.com](http://www.colemanirishmusic.com). Adm €15.

**The Synodal Times.**

Copies of the Synodal Times is available in the porch of both churches.

**Ballymote Macra na Feirme – Club Meeting.**  
Ballymote Macra na Feirme Club meeting will take place on Wednesday 8th February at 8pm in Doddy's Ballymote. New Members welcome to attend. For more information contact Ciara 087 1888082.

**INHFA County Sligo.**

INHFA County Sligo is holding a meeting on Wed, Feb 8th at 7.30pm (sharp) in The Sligo Park Hotel.There will be a presentation by Mr Jack Nolan, Head of Organics, DAFM on the new Organic Scheme. Also, on the night there will be a discussion on key farming issues of the new CAP and the proposed Nature Restoration Law.

Co. Sligo INHFA AGM will follow. All farmers including non-members and from surrounding counties are welcome to attend. Regards, The INHFA Team 071-9302715

**Aging with Grace – Retreat.**

Mount St. Anne's Retreat and Conference Centre in Killenard, Portarlington, Co. Laois, is hosting an "Aging with Grace" day on Saturday 18th February from 10am – 4.30pm. The day is facilitated by Maria Garvey, who has over 30 years of experience as a leader is education, health and social care, community and social enterprise. This day is open to all. Cost €60 includes 2-course lunch. Booking/Enquiries to the Secretary, Mount St. Anne's, Email [secretary@mountstannes.com](mailto:secretary@mountstannes.com) Phone 057-8626153

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