***Keash/Culfadda Newsletter April 16th 2023***

***Divine Mercy Sunday***

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**St Kevin’s Church Keash.**

**Saturday 15th 8.00pm** Stephen Casey (First Anniversary), Kent, England & Westport

and formerly of Derryknockeran.

**Friday 21st 10.00am** Mass of Thanksgiving.

**Saturday 22nd 8.00pm** People of the parish.

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

**Sunday 16th 10.00am** Bartley & Hanora Hannon, Battlefield, also James & Mary

McTiernan, Dromahair and the deceased members of the Hannon

and McTiernan, families.

**Monday 17th 10.00am.**

**Sunday 23rd 10.00am** Papie & Annie Kate Higgins, Townaghmore.

**Saturday 15th** Damien Carty. **Sunday 16th** Kiernan Shannon.

**Saturday 22nd** Mary Dwyer. **Sunday 23rd** Mary Hannon.

**Diamond Wedding Anniversary.**

Congratulations to Margaret and Joe Supple who celebrated their Diamond wedding anniversary last Friday. On the 14th of April 1963 Margaret & Joe were married in St Kevin’s Church Keash, we wish them continued good health and happiness and every blessing now and in the years to come.

**Trocaire Collection.**

At this time of year the Trocaire Collection is taken up, Your generosity is appreciated.

**Easter Collection for the support of your priest.**

The Easter collection for the support of your priest will be taken up over Easter, a special envelope is provided in the Offertory Boxes. This collection is taken up four times in the year – Christmas, Easter, Pentecost and Harvest. Your generosity would be appreciated.

**Keash/Culfadda Community Games.**

Keash/Culfadda Community Games committee will hold a Church Gate Collection at Masses on Saturday 22nd April and Sunday 23rd April.

Support appreciated in order to help fund and facilitate the hosting of Community Games in Eastern Harps Pitch Keash @2pm on Saturday 13th May.

Further details available from Secretary Helen Clarke on 089 449 4305.

**The North West Hospice Memorial Walk.**

The North West Hospice Memorial Walk. Sunday 23rd Aprilat 12 midday in Sligo. Walk in memory of a family member, friend, neighbour or work colleague.  
Register online now at [www.northwesthospice.ie/memorialwalk/](http://www.northwesthospice.ie/memorialwalk/) or call (071) 9170523.

**Ever think about becoming Priest.** You yourself may not be able to become a Priest (for many reasons) but could God be asking you to allow him speak through you to someone else that could ultimately be open to a vocation of Holy Orders. It is not for us to judge who is likely to become a Priest. We leave that to God. But is God trying to talk to someone through you? The Lord may only be asking you to open the thought for consideration by that other person. This vocation is demanding and occasionally lonely (as are many other vocations) but also very fulfilling. A Priest travels a journey with his people, sharing the good days and the not so good; offering them spiritual guidance and fulfilment along this journey. We as a people simply open the conversation and thought with our youth, advising them to speak with their local Priest if it is something they wish to do. We leave the rest to the Lord.  We continue to remember our youth and the urgent need for vocations in our prayers.

**Conference in The National Seminary, St Patrick’s College, Maynooth. The conference is a prelude to the opening of the national 'Year of Vocations to the Diocesan Priesthood'.** 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 Fr 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)

The conference is a prelude to the opening of the national 'Year of Vocations to the Diocesan Priesthood' on Good Shepherd Sunday, 30 April, on the theme: 'Take the Risk for Christ'.  There is no charge for attending but places are limited.  For the twelve-months following 30 April, it is planned to host events in parishes and at pilgrim sites around the country, and to provide vocations resources for homes and schools.

**Coleman Music Centre.**

Fiddle player Frankie Gavin in concert at the Coleman Music Centre in Gurteen Co. Sligo F56 TF88 on Saturday night April 22nd at 8pm. He will be accompanied on the night by Catherine McHugh on Piano. Special guest on the night is local musician Conor Mc Donagh. Tickets €20 – 071 9182599 or [www.colemanirishmusic.com](http://www.colemanirishmusic.com).

**Coleman Community Cinema.**

Coleman Community Cinema – ‘Raya and the last remaining Dragon’ is our chosen movie for this Saturday April 22nd at 2.30pm. Treat bags available. Adm € 5 each. 1 adult per family goes free. Enquires 071 9182599. Raya and the Last Dragon is a 2021 American animated fantasy action-adventure film produced by Walt Disney Animation Studios.

**Offertory Collection for the Month of March.**

**Online Donations** €611.60 **Keash** €2,005 **Culfadda** €1,205

**Holy Places** €240

**Keash Church Renovation Fund.**

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| **Total received to date €18,674** |

We wish to acknowledge having received a donation of €100 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 Parish Online Donations**

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**Thank you for your support.**