***Keash/Culfadda Newsletter April 23rd 2023***

***Third Sunday of Easter***

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**Masses from Culfadda Church are Live streamed, please visit** [**www.keashparish.ie**](http://www.keashparish.ie)

**St Kevin’s Church Keash.**

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

**Saturday 29th 8.00pm** People of the parish.

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

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

**Sunday 30th 10.00am** Bea & Pakie Shannon, Kilsallagh and their son-in-law

Seamus O’ Connor.

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

**Saturday 29th** Padraic Duffy. **Sunday 30th** John Higgins.

**Priests of the parish Cluster Areas.**

The Priests available in the Parish Cluster Areas are Fr Michael Reilly 071-9183232, Fr James McDonagh 071-9191790, Fr Joseph Caulfield 071-9182551.

**Trocaire Collection.**

As we have celebrated the Easter season 2023, the Trocaire team want to thank you for your dedication to telling the Trócaire Lent story over the past few weeks, and for the unending generosity shown by the people.  
It's at this time of year that we ask people around the country to return their boxes or donations to their local church or to us directly at [trocaire.org](https://click.email.trocaire.org/?qs=c4ee3e98ba55d08346835bb2c0a6a09cf7f3e87b4da4459e3a2634ff28d85c4848a1ad0a529bcfa405e2f2ad05a5de124520518fe73c68bd).   
Since the beginning of Lent, Nasteha and the rest of the Mahat family have continued to receive support from the Trócaire team in Somalia and Nasteha and her siblings have been able to stay in school. However, the [humanitarian situation in Somalia is worse than it has ever been](https://click.email.trocaire.org/?qs=c4ee3e98ba55d08346d6737e77bcd4ab12e0838becace5508e46f0ebc2ab20a2203d27888e059d741cc08cecdfc602b0827840493066bc3b), as the Trócaire hospitals and health centres, which already treat 22,000 people every month, are seeing increasing numbers of starving and malnourished families and children every day, as the drought rages on across the country.  
Against this backdrop, we are asking the people of Ireland, and of every parish congregation, to return their boxes and donations and continue helping to save lives all over the world.   
We look forward to your ongoing support as we continue to mark Trócaire's 50th anniversary.

We thank everyone who has contributed to the Trocaire Collection. Your generosity is appreciated.

**Thank you to everyone who contributed to the Easter Collection for the support of your priest.**

Everyone is thanked most sincerely for their contribution towards the support of your priest. We thank all those who use the Purple Envelope provided in the Boxes and also those who subscribe to the Priests Revenue using the donate button on the parish website. Your generosity is 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 29th at 8pm. He will be accompanied on the night by Catherine McHugh on Piano. Special guest on the night is local musician Conor McDonagh. Tickets €20 – 071 9182599 or www.colemanirishmusic.com.

**Coleman Music School.**

Coleman Music School Gurteen Co. Sligo F56 TF88 – Our new Spring-Summer Music Class Term is now open at the Coleman Music School. The term runs for 7 weeks. Please call us on 071 9182599 for more details and registrations.

**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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**Please Donate Online,**

**Thank you for your support.**