***Keash/Culfadda Newsletter August 6th 2023***

***18th Week in Ordinary time***

***Year A***

***The Transfiguration of the Lord***

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**St Kevin’s Church Keash.**

**Saturday 5th 8.00pm** Patrick Burns (6th Anniversary) his son Francis and the deceased

members of the Burns family, Knockalough, also Tara Tansey

(13th Anniversary) Carrowcrory.

**Saturday 12th 8.00pm** People of the parish.

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

**Sunday 6th 10.00am** Catherine Chambers (1st Anniversary) Killined.

**Sunday 13th 10.00am.**

**Readers.**

**Saturday 5th** Mary Dwyer. **Sunday 6th** John Higgins.

**Saturday 12th** Padraic Duffy. **Sunday 13th** Kieran Kielty.

**Recent Death.**

Your prayers are requested for Michael Ruane, Blackpool, England, also Pat White, Battlefield, also Mary Dwyer, Manchester (wife of Jimmy Dwyer, formerly of Cloonena) who died recently. May their souls rest in peace. Amen.

**Recent Baptism.**

We welcome into the Christian Community Éabha Grace Meehan, Daughloonagh, Keash, who was Baptised recently in St Kevin’s Church, Keash. We congratulate her parents Kielty & Michelle, her sisters Saoirse & Ríadh and all her family.

’For God allows parents to choose the name by which He Himself will call their child for all eternity.’ *Pope Francis*

**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.

**New Ministers of the Eucharist – introduction to ministry.**

For the First two months, following appointment of our new Ministers for the Eucharist, two Ministers of the Eucharist will attend to distribution of Holy Communion, at each weekend Mass.

The reasoning for this is to allow regularity for new Ministers to grow accustomed to this role.

From October, only one Minister for the Eucharist will be required at each Mass as the presiding Priest will resume this role once again.

This is a temporary measure to help with training of the new Ministers of the Eucharist only.

Thank you for your understanding as always.

**Baptism.**

Let the grace of your Baptism bear fruit in a path of holiness. Let everything be open to God; turn to him in every situation. Do not be dismayed, for the power of the Holy Spirit enables you to do this, and holiness in the end, is the fruit of the Holy Spirit in your life(cf. Gal:22-23). When you feel the temptation to dwell on your own weakness, raise your eyes to Christ crucified and say: ‘Lord I am a poor sinner, but you can work the miracle of making me a little bit better’. In the Church, holy yet made up of sinners, you will find everything you need to grow towards holiness. The Lord has bestowed on the Church the gifts of scripture, the sacraments, holy places, living communities, the witness of saints and a multifaceted beauty the proceeds from God’s love, ‘like a bride bedecked with jewels’(Is 61:10). *Pope Francis, Gaudete et Exsultate,15*

**Keash on Garland Sunday – Thank you.**

Keash on Garland Sunday Committee wish to thank everybody who helped to make the King of the Hill Run on Saturday evening and the Family Fun Day at the Fr, Kevin Brehony Memorial Park on Sunday such a success. We were blessed with beautiful weather on the Saturday, but unfortunately the rain came on Sunday, however everyone made the most of it and a very enjoyable day was had. The people of the parish should take great pride in their loyalty to Garland Sunday. Everyone is thanked most sincerely for all their preparation and dedication. A special word of appreciation to our generous sponsors and to all who attended both events. It was wonderful to see people able to get together and enjoy themselves even in the rain.

**Ballymote Heritage Weekend.**

Ballymote Heritage Weekend 8.30 pm Lectures: Fri. 4th Aug. "Ireland, Where are we going" by Tommie Gorman RTE Rtd. Sat. 5th Aug. "Ballymote Castle, Friary, & the Mendicant Friars" by Dr. Yvonne McDermott ATU (Mayo).  Sun. 6th Aug. "Discovering your Family Tree in Sligo" by Martin Curley, Genealogist (Mountbellew). Mon. 7th Aug. Archaeological & Historical Monuments In Ballynaglogh (between Ballymote & Bunninadden) by Fiona Doherty ATU (Mayo). Admission €10. Patrons should please present cash.

**Knockbrack Graveyard**

**Income 2022 Expenditure 2022**

Cemetery gate collection €2391 Grass cutting/Maintenance €3000

Donations €230 Insurance €361.71

Sligo Co Council €500 **Total €3361.71**

**Total €3121**

The committee would like to thank everyone who made donations at our recent mass. Donations can be made by contacting Fr.Murphy, Cathal OGara or Sean Gallagher.

**Keash Church Renovation Fund.**

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| **Total received to date €19,924** |

We wish to acknowledge having received a donation of €200 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.

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