***Keash/Culfadda Newsletter October 22nd 2023***

***29th Week in Ordinary time***

***Mission Sunday***

***Year A, Weekdays Cycle 1***

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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 21st  8.00pm** Enrolment Mass for First Holy Communion Children from

Keash National School.

**Sunday 22nd 8.00pm** Reception of Funeral of Mona Benson, Larkhill.

**Monday 23rd 12 noon** Funeral Mass of Mona Benson, Larkhill.

**Wednesday 24th 10.00am** People of the parish.

**Friday 27th 10.00am.**

**Saturday 28th 8.00pm** Patrick John & Mary Kate Cryan, Derrygola, also,

Pat & Mary Henry, Knockbrack and Michael Henry,

Carrowcrory.

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

**Sunday 22nd 10.00am**  Enrolment Mass for First Holy Communion Children from

Culfadda National School.

**Tuesday 24th 10.00am.**

**Sunday 29th 10.00am** Eileen & Kevin O’ Connor, Rathmullen (3rd Anniversary).

**Readers.**

**Saturday 21st** Mary Frances Dwyer. **Sunday 22nd** Geraldine Hannon.

**Saturday 28th** William Henry. **Sunday 29th** Kieran Shannon.

**Recent Death.**

Your prayers are requested for Mona Benson, Larkhill, remains reposing in the Perry funeral home, Ballymote on Sunday evening from 5.30pm to 7.30pm, with removal to St Kevin’s Church, Keash to arrive at 8.00pm. Funeral Mass on Monday at 12 noon, with burial afterwards in Knockbrack, cemetery. May her soul rest in peace. Amen.

**Vigil Mass – Time Change from November 4th.**

The Vigil Mass on Saturday evening in St Kevin’s church Keash will be at the earlier time of 6.30pm when winter time begins. On Saturday November 4th the Vigil Mass will be at 6.30pm.

**Eastern Harps - 50th anniversary Dinner dance.**

There are a limited number of tickets remaining for our upcoming dinner dance on the 4th November 2023 in the Landmark Hotel Carrick-on-Shannon. If you are interested in buying tickets please call or text Carmel on 087 2264955, Kevin 087 2112748 or Thomas 086 0522816.

**North West Hospice Morning – Thankyou.**

Kathleen Feely and Breda Forkin would like to thank all those who attended and contributed to their recent Coffee Morning in the White Hall, Keash. Thanks to Breda, Aissa Flannery and Marian Duffy for their lovely baking. The total collected for North West Hospice was €875.00c.

**Pope Francis - calls for Day of Prayer and Fasting**

**On Friday October 27th for Peace**

**'May weapons fall silent, situation in Gaza is desperate'**

Appealing for peace in the Holy Land, Pope Francis expresses concern for the humanitarian situation in Gaza, calling on all parties to lay down their weapons and all Christians to pray and fast on 27 October for peace.

“The number of victims is growing and the situation in Gaza is desperate.” With these words, Pope Francis turned his thoughts to Palestine and Israel pleading that “everything possible be done to avoid a humanitarian catastrophe.” Speaking at his weekly General Audience, the Holy Father also drew attention to the unsettling possibility of the conflict's expansion."The world already witnesses so many open war fronts," he lamented.

In light of these circumstances, he implored, "Lay down weapons and heed the cries for peace from the poor, the people, and the innocent children." "War solves no problems," he said. "It only sows death and destruction, increases hatred, multiplies revenge. War erases the future, it erases the future."

The Holy Father went on to urge all believers to take one side only: that of peace. “But not with words,” he continued, “with prayer and with total dedication.” In this regard, Pope Francis invited everyone to a day of prayer, fasting, and penance for peace. On Friday, 27 October, he encouraged people of different Christian denominations, other religions, and all those who advocate for peace to participate as they see fit.

**Meeting for Parents of Children receiving the Sacraments of First Holy Communion and Penance-** **Enrolment Ceremony.**

The enrolment ceremony will take place in St Kevin’s Church Keash on Saturday October 21st at the 8pm Mass for the children from Keash N.S. The enrolment ceremony for the children from Culfadda N.S. will take place on Sunday October 22nd at 10.00am in Our Lady of the Rosary Church Culdadda.

**Youth Ministry in the Diocese of Achonry.**

Bishop Paul Dempsey has recently appointed Stephen Giblin, from Foxford, Co. Mayo on a part-time basis to facilitate youth ministry in the Diocese. Stephen has already worked with various parishes in the Diocese, in sacramental preparation programmes and Lectio Divina sessions. This is a great opportunity for our Diocese to respond to the needs of our young people so as to enrich their lives and help them to experience their faith in life-giving ways.

**Annual Culfadda Tractor, Bike, Jeep and Vintage Car Run.**

The annual Culfadda Tractor, Bike, Jeep and Vintage Car Run takes place on Sunday November 5th  2023. Registration from 1pm at Culfadda National School with the run starting at 2pm sharp.

Route - Culfadda, Keash, Ballymote, Rathmullen Gurteen cross, through Gurteen village and then turn down Moydoo road and park at the community pitch in Gurteen. Refreshments for all participants will be served in the Roisin Dubh, Gurteen, after the run with live music by Roly Anderson from 4 30 to 7pm.

All proceeds in aid of Gurteen, Keash and Culfadda First Responder Group and Culfadda Community Centre. Please come out and support this event as the CFR group responds to 999 calls in the parishes of Gurteen and Keash. The run will be passing through Gurteen village from 2.45pm approx.

**Coleman Music Centre - Upcoming Events.**

PJ Murrihy & Seamus Shannon live in concert at the Coleman Music Centre, Gurteen, Co Sligo on Saturday October 28th at 8pm. Early booking advisable for this concert.  Adm €15 Phone 071 9182599 or visit our website [www.colemanirishmusic.com](http://www.colemanirishmusic.com/) for bookings or further enquires.

**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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