

Covid-19 Collect and Deliver Service -Helping people to stay at home is the new role of **Local Link Mayo rural transport services**. **Local Link Mayo** is offering a *collect and deliver service in your area*, from pharmacies and local shops, delivering critical medical supplies to the elderly, the vulnerable and sick. If you need such support or know someone who does contact Local Link Mayo on **094 900 5150 / 086 029 3728** between 9am and 5pm or email mayo@locallink.ie

COVID-19 Support Line for Older People - ALONE has launched a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to the outbreak of COVID-19 (Coronavirus). Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. **The support line is open Monday to Friday, 8am-8pm, by calling 0818 222 024. Hours may be extended to meet the demand.**

Message from Garda John Coen for anyone in the Ballindine/Irishtown area, please don't hesitate to contact me, your local Garda in Ballindine. My private number is 087-2731990. Phone me anytime and if you need anything that I can help you with I'd be happy to help. Please look out for one another.

Any vulnerable persons requiring support can contact Mayo CoCo COVID19 Helpline 094-9064660 or email covidsupport@mayococo.ie 8am – 8pm

Volunteers If anyone, who has been vetted, would like to help others in our Community, in a voluntary capacity, please call the Parish Office on 094-9364423.

Davitts GAA have partnered with **Centra and Supervalu** for the **#Clubtogether** initiative which aims to support the elderly and vulnerable in our communities, who have no one else to help them with their grocery shopping during the Covid-19 crisis. Club players and volunteers from Davitts GAA are available to deliver groceries to anyone in this group. If anyone is interested or looking for information please contact John Costello 087-9079987 / secretary.davitts.mayo@gaa.ie

Claremorris Family Resource Centre is currently operating behind closed doors during the Covid-19 situation. The centre can be contacted on 094-9377838 or 086-0406984. We are maintaining our services under the HSE Guidelines. Currently all our programme activity has been postponed. Anyone needing Food Boxes, Covid-19 Social Welfare Forms, Citizen's Advice please do not hesitate to contact the numbers above. We update our facebook page daily and are here to help in any way we can.

VICTIM ASSISTANCE *We are all overwhelmed by the Corona virus outbreak and we hope that you and yours are all safe and healthy. Now more than ever we need to stay calm, be resourceful, and do what we do best: focus on supporting each other. As a national charity that offers "emotional" and "practical" support to all victims of crime and those and their families that have experienced a "traumatic" incident, we want to reassure all concerned that we at Victim Assistance are committed to continuing our services to those that need us. Whilst some of our staff are working remotely, we can be contacted through our NATIONAL HELPLINE at 1800 277 477, our office telephone 094 9000251 or by email at support@victimassistance.ie. Our offices are manned Monday-Friday 9.30am-5.30pm during these difficult times. Remember – social distancing doesn't mean social isolation – we are here to help and support!*

Irish Red Cross Claremorris are here to help. If anyone is in need of a grocery delivery, medication collection and delivery, fuel or essential household items. This is for everyone that needs help, young families or older member of the community. We are here and available contact our Community support Officer, Eileen Connolly on 0872203094 / eileenconnolly15@gmail.com. Thank you and stay safe.

Parish of Kilvine

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18th – 26th April, 2020

The very first Easter was not in a crowded worship space with singing and praising.

On the very first Easter Day the disciples were locked in their house.

It was dangerous for them to come out and they were afraid. They wanted to believe the good news they heard about from the women that Jesus had risen, but it seemed too good to be true.

They were living in a time of such despair and such fear. If they left their homes, their lives and the lives of their loved ones might be at risk.

Could a miracle really have happened?

Could life really have won out over death?

Could this time of terror and fear really be coming to an end?

Alone in their homes they dared to believe that hope was possible.

That the long night was over, and morning had broken. That Gods' love was the most powerful of all, even though it didn't seem quite real yet.

Eventually they were able to leave their homes, when the fear and danger had subsided, and they went around celebrating and spreading the good news that Jesus was risen, and love was the most powerful force on earth.

This year, we might get to experience a taste of what that first Easter was like.

Still in our homes, daring to believe that Hope is on the horizon.

Then, after a while, when it is safe for all people, and when it is the most loving choice to make, we will come out.

Gathering together, singing and shouting the good news that God brings life, even out of death.

That love always has the final say.

This year, we might just get the closest taste we have yet to what that first Easter was like.

Cluster Priests

Fr. Cribben 087-1867789

Fr. Gannon 086-2656563

Fr. Quinn 087-2685288

Community Alert Text No`s:

087-2452565; 087-1322411

086-8436958; 087-6528213

Claremorris Garda Station 094-9372080

Second Sunday of Easter

Mass Cancellations

“All Masses with congregations in parishes in the Archdiocese of Tuam are cancelled”

Churches will remain open as usual so that the faithful can go there to pray.

MASSES ARE AVAILABLE ON:

Kilvine Parish Mass On-Line @ 8pm Easter Saturday 18th April
at kilvineparish.ie or Facebook at [Kilvine Parish Community.ie](https://www.facebook.com/KilvineParishCommunity)

Claremorris Church Monday - Friday @ 9.30am on 106fm
Mid West Radio broadcast Mass on Sunday & Wednesday at 10am

R.T.E Now TV: Every Weekday @ 10.30am
from St. Eunan`s & St. Columba`s Cathedral, Letterkenny.

Ballyhaunis Parish, Tuam Parish, and Castlebar Parish also broadcast Mass via Live Webcam.

Masses arranged for Weekends: As you know many families arrange to have Mass offered for their deceased loved ones at weekends. Sadly, these Masses cannot be celebrated in public in our Churches due to current restrictions regarding Coronavirus. However, Fr. O`Connor will offer Mass privately (*No Congregation*) each day for your deceased as arranged.

Easter Saturday 18th Mass on-line @ 8pm

Tues 21st Michael & Johnny McGee, Jimmy Tierney and Sean Hartigan

Wed 22nd Dominic Glynn (1st Anniversary) and his father Herbie,
Pat & Sarah McHugh,
Kitty Meehan & son John,
John P & Mary McHugh and daughter Sr. Teresa,
Deceased of Flannery Family.

Thurs 23rd John Rick and Maureen Reapy & Kathleen McMahon and deceased of family

Fri 24th Martin & Christopher Ronayne and son Michael John and daughter Mary Teresa

Saturday 25th Mass on-line @ 8pm

Please remember to pray for your loved ones on the day the Mass is offered and if possible make a visit to one of our churches in their memory.

Anniversaries:

Anyone wishing to have their deceased loved ones remembered in the Parish Newsletter please forward your list with names and dates and they will be included annually in the newsletter.

John Walsh, Catherine Feerick, Marion Cosgrove, Austin O`Brien, Kathleen Whelan, Philomena Nally, James Ronayne, Josephine Trench, Malachy Concannon, John Mitchell, Johnny Connolly.

Sick Calls: The priest will respond as normal to any emergency call.

Prayers during the Covid-19 Pandemic

Prayer is very important at this critical time in our community life, so please offer your own prayer and that of your family for our wellbeing. To help you might use the Prayer card `Prayers for My Family` recently distributed in the parish, along with a **Prayer Sheet** specially prepared. If you are following Mass on Radio / T.V and therefore cannot receive Communion you may make an act of Spiritual Communion at Communion time. There is an appropriate prayer `Act of Spiritual Communion` in the Prayer Sheet.

Copies of the Prayer Card & Prayer Sheet are available in our Churches.

Kilvine Parish Weekly & Monthly Envelopes/Contributions

Sincere thanks to those who dropped in their contribution to the Parochial House and Presbytery. It is much appreciated.

There have been some enquiries with regard to the collection of Envelopes and Contributions for our Parish. You may drop them through the letter box in the Parochial House, Ballindine or Presbytery, Irishtown. *Should you wish to pay on-line the A/C is Kilvine Parish, Sort Code 903760, A/C 75748363 (iban IES1BOFI90376075748363).* Many thanks and God Bless.

Priest`s Easter Collection

Thank you for your very generous contribution to this collection which is in support of your Priest. If you have forgotten, your contribution will, as always, be gratefully received. *Thank You.*

Trócaire has advised parishioners to please hold onto their Trócaire Boxes until the current Covid-19 Pandemic is over.

Deaths:

Please pray for **Bree Meagher (nee Guinnane)**, Athlone, sister of Marian Clarke, Killeen, Ballindine;
Kathleen Corless, Crimlin;
Paddy Joe Flynn, Seefin, Scardaune, father of Joan Mulkeen, Woodstock.
May they Rest in Peace, Amen.

A Pastoral letter to the People of the Archdiocese for Easter 2020. is available on the Kilvine Parish Website: kilvineparish.ie

The closing lines of Archbishop Michael Neary`s letter read:

“Our faith in Christ`s rising from the dead enables us to embrace the present situation and at the same time opens us to new possibilities. Already we witness signs of hope in the goodness, generosity, altruism, sensitivity towards and support for others. May the risen Christ bless us with the peace that will enable us to recognise that the Lord is journeying with us as we cope with this new challenge. I want to reassure you of my prayers and I ask for remembrance in yours. At this time my daily Masses are being celebrated for: • **The front-liners in the fight against Covid-19;** • **For the success of medical researchers in the hopes that they will discover a lasting cure for Covid-19 and a vaccine to prevent it;** • **For all infected by this virus;** • **For the safety of all families and homes who have members in isolation;** • **For all those dying alone that they will feel the presence of the Lord in their suffering;** • **I will be remembering all families as they cope with the anxiety and fears that this virus has visited on them.**“

Yours sincerely, +Michael Neary Archbishop of Tuam