Mass Times may need to be changed at short notice,

Confessions:

Parish Office Hours

10am to **1pm**. For Mass Bookings, Arranging Baptisms, Certs, Weddings, Mass Cards. (for both churches)

Notices for Newsletter

Deadline is 12noon on Wednesday. Either drop into office or Email to info@headfordchurch.com It is not always possible to publish all notices due to space, so parish takes preference.

Baptisms: **1st Sunday & 3rd Saturday** of each month with prior notice.

First Fridays or a **Hospital visit**, phone office

Holy Face Devotion on **Tues. 6.45-7pm** in **Headford**

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on **Mon. 9.15am –11am, & 7pm–9pm, Tues. 7pm-8pm.** in **Headford.** On **Tue 10-11am** & **Thurs 10am-11am and 6pm-7pm** in **Claran**

Offertory Collection in **Headford €578.00** last weekend and in **Claran €130**

Headford & Claran Parish is committed to the protection of all children and young people. Safe Guarding Officers are PJ Newell and Maura Moran .

Holy Hour on Parish Radio every Friday 3-4 pm with **Divine Mercy** and **Stations of the Cross**.

Altar Candles Intention for February: Headford: Julia Flynn Intentions & Intentions of Maureen Hynes. Claran Intentions of Mary Greaney Carheens.

Readers for February: Saturday 7pm Pat Duddy. Sunday 11.30 Sharon Joyce.

Our Lady of Fatima First Devotions at 9:00am on the first Saturday of the month. Rosary & Mediation. Next Date Saturday 6th February 2021.This will be live on the Webcam & Parish Radio. Not open to the Public.

Death Notice: As a Parish community we would like to extend our sincere sympathies to the Family, Relatives and Friends of Denis Allen, Limerick, Father of Simone Woulfe Claran. May he rest in peace.

Church Collections
With restrictions since March and more limited avenues of donation I'm very touched by people's thoughtfulness and generosity to their Parish. I list the ways people can donate.
Presbytery Letterbox some leave envelopes in my door which I secure right away, or give to me in person.
Bank Transfer: there is the option of Electronic Transfer which some have chosen to do, details below of the account for Both Headford and Claran please put your name or box number in the reference section.
St Mary's Church Headford BIC BOFIIE2D IBAN Details IE27 BOFI 9038 7528 9740 34
St Mary's Church Claran BIC BOFIIE2D IBAN Details IE62 BOFI 9038 7528 9727 25

New sets of Offertory Envelopes we will try and deliver the boxes that have been left in the church to people over the coming few days, due to covid we know that it may have proven difficult for people to collect. If there is anyone who does not receive a set and would like one please let us know. Thank you.

Headford GAA: Results 9,22,23,26 next draw Sunday 31st Jan Jackpot 20,000.

Parish Office is open . You can also contact us by phone or email and we will get back to you. We can arrange masses and mass cards over the phone and post them out to you .During this covid restricted times we should all try our best to follow the published COVID 19 Guidelines Social Distancing 2 metres, Hand Hygiene Cleaning & Sanitising Ventilation Face covering or mask 10 people at Funeral 6 at Weddings.6 at Baptisms strictly Immediate Family. Churches are open daily. Do drop in, say a prayer. Take a minute.

Parish of Killursa & Killower

30th 31st January Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
World Leprosy Day. Catholic Schools Week Begins.
Fr. Ray Flaherty PP – 35448 info@headfordchurch.com
Website: www.headfordchurch.com Parish Radio 108fm. Facebook Page
Headford Parish Web cam: Churchtv.ie/headford, churchtv.ie/claran

Mass Intentions in Headford

Sat 30th Jan	***7:.00pm***	*Bridie Moran 19th Anniversary Carrowbeg* *Joe, Eileen, Bill, Evelyn Wynne* *Roy Corbett Main Street Anniversary* *Jane Doorley 2nd Anniversary*
Sun 31st	***10:00am*** ***11.30am***	*Murthy & Bridget Heffernan Galway.* *Oliver Varley & Deceased of the Family* *Maureen Day, Deerpark* *Mary Kilgarriff, Ballyconlought*
Mon 1st February	***10.00am***	*Fursey & Julia Flynn*
Tue 2nd	***10:00am***	*Nora McGaugh 2nd Anniversary*
Wed 3rd	***10:00am***	*Frank & Bridie Joyce & Deceased of the Family Loggawania.* *Deceased of the Concannon Family Spiddal*
Fri 5th	***10:00am***	*John Monaghan Salthill Anniversary*
Sat 6th	***10.00am*** ***7.00pm***	*Nellie & Jim Laffey Bridge St.* *John & Teresa Keady, Bridge Street.* *John & Katie Hannon & their sons John & Michael Owermore Anniversary.* *Nora Fitzgearld Meadow Hill 5th Anniversary & Tom Fitzgearld 40th Anniversary & their son Gerard.*
Sun 7th	***11:30am***	*Joe McCauley 7th Anniversary.* *Deceased members of the Hackett Family Cordara*

Mass Intentions in Claran

Sun 30th	***10.00am***	***Mass In Headford Church***
Tue 2nd	***10.00am***	*Mass In Headford Church*
Wed 3rd	***10.00am***	*Mass In Headford Church*
Sun 7th	***10:00am***	*Emily Walsh, Millpark 6th Anniversary.*

Holy Days This Week

Monday 1st St Brigid, Tuesday 2nd Presentation of the Lord, Wednesday 3rd St Blaise, Friday 5th St Agatha, Saturday 6th St Paul Miki & Companion.

St Brigid's Day is on the 1st February you are more that welcome if you would like to make your own cross, place in a sealed bag or cling film put your name on it and leave in the church, Fr will bless on St Brigid's Day. Extra Crosses will be available in Headford Church at a cost of €3 proceeds towards the roof renovations.

Feast of the Presentation of the Lord (Candlemas Day) is on Tuesday 2nd. Candles will be blessed during the Mass. Those who wish to leave their candles can place them along the altar rails and in the front seat. Please put your names clearly on them, if you are donating some to the church, please mark for church use.

Feast of St. Blaise is on Wednesday 3rd February, Fr Ray will be available immediately after Mass for anyone who may wish to have the blessing of the throat, please be advised no gathering or queuing allowed, please wear your masks and also keep your distance.

Headford Girls National School is now taking new enrolments for the coming year 2021 . Please email the school on headfordgirlsns@gmail.com for enrolment forms or contact us by phone on 093 35377.

Cloughanover NS are now enrolling for September 2021. Please email the school at cloughanoverschool@gmail.com for enrolment forms.

Claran National School are now enrolling for this September. Check our website for further details www.clarannationalschool.ie and email Yvonne at office@clarannationalschool.ie for enrolment forms.

Solas Family Resource Centre: The proceeds from the cribs both in Claran and Headford Churches which amounted to €750.00 will be presented to Solas in the coming week. Thank you to all who supported this local organisation, who provide a great service to the wider community.

Thursday 11th Feb: Special Mass: St Mary's Church Headford at 7pm.
"Light in these darkest times"
We will have a special mass on Thursday 11th February Our Lady of Lourdes Day. This mass will have Four Candles Lighting (1) Covid 19 (2) For All those who died from Covid (3) For the Sick (4) For all in the Front Line, this will be for all the people working through these times.

To St Bridget

Bridget, you were a woman of peace.
You brought harmony where there was conflict.
You brought light to the darkness.
You brought hope to the downcast.
May the mantle of your peace cover those who are troubled and anxious.
And may peace be firmly rooted in our hearts and in our world.
Inspire us to act justly and to reverence all God has made.

Bridget, you were a voice for the wounded and the weary.
Strengthen what is weak within us.
Calm us into a quietness that heals and listens.
May we grow each day into greater wholeness in mind, body and spirit. Amen.

Note: To those of you who are feeling fragile, frightened and alone, please don't, we're all going through the same thing. At the same time, there's a struggle for some of you. We're are on your side and we're thinking of you today. Try to stay optimistic and we will get through this, please feel free to pick up the phone at any time and give us a ring if you need anything or just a friendly chat. Stay Safe. Tuam Marriage Preparation Courses: Accord Castlebar Bookings www.accord.ie or tel 094 9022214.

Catholic Schools week takes place from 24th January -31st January: The theme of this year's Catholic Schools Week is "Catholic Schools" : Communities of Faith and Resilience'.

Irish Catholic Newspaper: Please drop dues in to office or sacristy if you still want to continue with your subscription.

COVID-19 Support Line for Older People ALONE manage a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to the outbreak of COVID-19. Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open seven days a week, 8am -8pm, by calling 0818 222 024

Prayer to St. Joseph.
O great St. Joseph, whose influence over the Hearts of Jesus and Mary is all powerful and who have never been invoked in vain, I ask, with the most firm and lively confidence, the speedy granting of my request. *(Name your petition).*

Dear St. Joseph, obtain for me the object of my prayer if it be for the glory of God and my own salvation; but if it is not, then obtain for me the grace lovingly to resign myself to the Will of my Heavenly Father, who in the afflictions He permits, as well as in the temporal favors He grants me, has in view only my happiness here and my eternal salvation. Amen.

Communion at Home: We are very conscious that many parishioners have been unable to receive Communion since the lockdown. Many of you join with us for Mass via the Webcam, Facebook and on Parish Radio. House calls including First Fridays are not permitted during Phase 5 Lockdown (emergencies excepted). We can however bring Holy Communion to your front door Contact Parish Office for details and to arrange day and time.

Headford Parish Facebook *Page .Thanks to all of you who have liked the page. Tell your families away from home so that they can get the latest parish news.*

Holy Water*: If people would like water to be blessed, please leave in a sealed container with name behind the Altar & it will be blessed and can be collected the next day*

Senior Line Freephone: If you are an older person and would like someone to talk to, particularly since Covid-19, consider phoning Senior Line. We are Ireland's national confidential service for older people. We are open every day of the year from 10am-10pm. We are older people too, trained to listen and support. We would love to hear from you. Freefone 1800 80 45 91.

Bealach Nua :We are a recovery oriented family peer support service which offers families/friends of people with mental health challenges an opportunity to engage with family peer supporters through individual, group work, wellness days and information evenings. For further information or to access the service please call 094 9049392 or Fran 086 0450835/Noel 087 9749288

Galway Rural Development are currently providing a winter assistance initiative for the elderly or vulnerable people in the community. The Rural Social Scheme Programme provides this service. This Service provides assistance for minor work including fitting of smoke alarms and the cleaning on gutters. For further information please contact GRD Branch office Tuam on 093 26211.

Religious Services: With effect from the 26th December 2020 Religious services will move online. Places of worship may remain open for private prayer only

Prayer for healing and comfort

O Lord, only you know how hard life has been for me, only you have seen each moment o my day and night. Only you feel my pain and understand my discomfort. Only you are beside me through my grief and sorrow. Only you have been within each moment to comfort me. O Lord break through the loneliness of my suffering. You have encountered sorrow and laid a glorious path of hope, healing and the promise of heaven in my heart. Amen

Letter From Heaven

Now I am contented that my life it was worthwhile, knowing as I passed along the way I made somebody smile. When you are walking down the street and you've got me on your mind, I'm walking in your footsteps, only half a step behind…. And when you feel the gentle breeze or the wind upon your face that's me giving you a great big hug or just a soft embrace. So please don't be unhappy just because I'm out of sight. Remember that I'm with you. Every morning, noon and night.

The Life you live may soon be past, But the things you do for Love will last.

Consider taking the Pioneer Short-Term Pledge for Lent?, for the duration of Lent, many people choose to abstain from alcohol. If you would like to make this pledge for six weeks, you can join online at www.piomeerassociation.ie.

