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 €520.00 l**ast weekend and in **Claran €240**

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 March: Headford: Paddy & Phil Ryder Main street. & Intentions of Murphy Family Kilbeg & Intentions for Pat & Mary Fahy Slievroe.

Readers for March: Headford: Saturday 7pm Rita O'Shea. Sunday 11.30 Mary McHugh. Claran 10am Michelle Kenny.

Death Notices: As a Parish Community we would like to extend our sincere sympathies to the Family, Relatives and Friends of Marie Lee, Galway & Baby Cairin D'Darcy. May they 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

Headford GAA: Results 6,7,7,20 next draw Sunday 14th March, 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.

Easter Triduum Cards are now available from the Parish Office. The triduum masses will be offered in Both Churches on the Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday of Holy Week. The cards are €2 each. Proceeds going towards roof restoration.

Holy Days this week: Wednesday 17th St Patricks Day. Thursday 18th St Cyril of Jerusalem, Friday 19th St Joseph.

Parish of Killursa & Killower

13th 14th March Fourth Sunday in Lent
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

FOURTH SUNDAY in Lent

Mass Intentions in Headford

Sat 13th March	***7:.00pm***	*Kevin Joyce Anniversary* *Tommy & Nonnie Rea & Deceased of the family.* *Michael & Mary O'Connor High St. & Deceased of the Family.*
Sun 14th	***11.30am***	*Margaret Mongan 6th Anniversary her husband* *Bernard Mongan & Daughters Bridget McDonagh ,* *Bernedette & Rosemarie Mongan* *People of the Parish*
Mon 15th	***10.00am***	*Noreen Heffernan RIP Mass Card*
Tue 16th	***10:00am***	*Tom Murphy Kilbeg*
Wed 17th ***St. Patrick's Day.***	***10:00am***	*Padraic Greaney 15th Anniversary* *Bridget & Tony McDonnell Ellagh & Noreen Conroy RIP.*
Thur 18th	***10:00am***	*John Curran RIP Mass Card* *St Joseph Novena.*
Fri 19th ***St Josephs Day.***	***10:00am***	*Tom Joyce RIP Mass Card* *First Communion Programme Mass.*
Sat 20th	***10.00am*** ***7.00pm***	*Frank Mortimer Shrule RIP Mass Card* *Todd & Mary Corbett Bridge St. & their son Peter & all the deceased of the Corbett Family.* *Lilly Ann Mannion 9th Anniversary Ballynalacka.* *Denny & Sal Murphy & Granddaughter Sarah Byrne.*
Sun 21st	***11:30am***	*Wiktoria Kubaczyk 8th Anniversary.* *Vincent McGrath Ballyhale 13th Anniversary*

Mass Intentions in Claran

Sun 14th	***10.00am***	***Jimmy Molloy Month Mind Mass.*** *Joe O'Toole 2nd Anniversary.*
Tue 16th	***10.00am***	*Mass In Headford Church*
Wed 17th	***10.00am***	*Mass In Headford Church*
Sun 21st	***10:00am***	***Richard Holloran, Carheens Months Mind Mass*** *Bridie Eamor 2nd Anniversary* *Fr Declan O'Toole Anniversary & His Colleagues* *Patrick & Fidelis.* *Peter & Delia Nally & Mary Nally & all the Deceased of the Family.*

First Communion Programme: In Preparation, every Friday morning mass at 10am there will be a little talk for the children that are preparing to make their communion this May 2021(depending on Covid 19). Thumbs Work Book that is usually used is available now and you can collect these at the parish office Monday – Friday 10-2pm also when parents are calling to the office for the work books they can bring along a copy of the baptism cert if the child has been baptised outside the parish, Fr will work from these books on each Friday morning. Next Mass Friday 19th March.

Go Yellow on Daffodil Day Irish Cancer Society.:On Friday 26th March, turn Ireland Yellow on Daffodil Day.It is a day for us all to join in and show support for people locally who are affected by cancer.

Mother's Day Sunday 14th. Happy Mother's Day to all the Mothers today and to all the Mothers that are no longer with us.

A Mother's Day Prayer: I said a Mother's Day prayer for you to thank the Lord above for blessing me with a lifetime of your tender hearted love. I thanked God for the caring you've shown me through the years, for the closeness we've enjoyed in time of laughter and of tears. And so, I thank you from the heart for all you've done for me and I bless the Lord for giving me the best mother there could be!

Extract from Saint Patrick's Breastplate: Christ with me, Christ before me, Christ behind me ,Christ in me, Christ beneath me, Christ above me, Christ on my right, Christ on my left, Christ when I lie down, Christ when I sit down, Christ when I arise, Christ in the heart of every man who thinks of me, Christ in the mouth of everyone who speaks of me, Christ in every eye that sees me, Christ in every ear that hears me.

I would like to wish everybody a Happy St Patrick's Day. Home & Away.

Pope Francis has declared 2021 'The Year of St. Joseph' on the 150th anniversary of the proclamation of St. Joseph as the patron of the universal church. A Triduum will be held at Knock Shrine to mark this special year. This special Triduum will commence on Friday, March 19th, the Feast of St. Joseph. Join us online at 7.30pm on Friday, March 19th and Saturday, March 20th and at 12 noon on Sunday, March 21st. **Details of guest speakers to be announced.** Live stream from Knock Shrine on our website www.knockshrine.ie/watch-live and on the Knock Shrine Facebook page each day.

Pope Francis announced a special year dedicated to the family "**Amoris Laetitia" (Joy of Love) from 19th March 2021 - 26th June 2022.** *God help us to speak life to each other this day. May we be kind to our family and use words to build each other up. May we have a listening ear to hear and respond to each other.*





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

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).*

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.

Footsteps Early Years (ECCE free preschool years) & School age services in Headford, Glencorrib & Knockroon now enrolling for Sept. 2021. Booking is essential. Please contact owner Edel on 087 6906462 or email edelfootstepspreschool@gmail.com.

Claran Montessori Preschool now enrolling eligible children for 2 free years ECCE sessional service Sept 2021. Afterschool service available also for preschool children. Contact Sheli Keaney, 087 657 7758

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.

***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.

February Vigils
'Awaiting a New Dawn'Join us online each Friday evening during the month of February as we come together virtually for a period of extended prayer and reflection.
Join us live online from 7pm for Rosary, the celebration of the Eucharist and a Holy Hour from Knock Parish Church. See www.knockshrine.ie/watch-live and our Facebook page.

Knock Shrine
Faith Renewal Events – Online www.knockshrine.ie/watch-live

Tuesday Scripture Reflections *Exploring the Word of God through Prayer'*

A series of online scripture reflections
9pm, Tuesday nights

Every Tuesday night at 9pm Knock Shrine will show a series of online night prayer with reflections on scripture. Students from St Louis Community School Kiltimagh will deliver this series of online reflections**.**

We are inviting people to join us for these short reflections, to end the day in a prayerful and peaceful way and to enjoy a quiet time to explore various aspects of Scripture.

You can join us for this new series every Tuesday at 9pm at www.knockshrine.ie/watch-live

'Living Christian Faith' - Lenten Conversations Knock Shrine will host a new series of online discussions to engage you during Lent. Join Fr Eamonn Conway and guests online each Thursday evening at 8.30pm.
Beginning on 18 February, the online discussions will run each week of Lent, ending on Thursday 25 March. Full programme details are available at www.knockshrine.ie/news

To watch, simply log on to www.knockshrine.ie/watch-live

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

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Masses in Headford Church and Claran church are been booked up, please do allow for a month or two in advance for bookings to avoid disappointment . Thank you.

Adoration: In Headford Church Monday and Tuesday evenings from 7pm- 8pm. A Quiet moment to offer prayer and reflection.
Holy Hour on Parish Radio every Friday 3-4 pm with Divine Mercy and Stations of the Cross.

Chy3 Charity Donations Scheme: Thanks to all who have returned forms. It's still not too late to sign up. Only requirements is you need to be donating €250.00 or more to the Church in each calendar year. Please consider doing so as it is a substantial income for the church and it costs you no more than your usual contributions each week. Your PPS no. is forwarded to revenue along with the amount donated in your envelopes and revenue takes care of the rest. If you would like further information contact the presbytery also the forms are available at the Church doors please feel free to take one fill it up and return to office. Thanks to all who have signed up to the scheme so far.

Anger Management: Online Course: Knock Counselling Centre have announced details of their spring online anger management programme. "Temper Your Anger" starts online on Tuesday 13 April, 6:30pm-8:30pm and runs for five consecutive Tuesday evenings. The online programme is run in conjunction with the Irish Association for Anger Management and teaches participants tools and techniques to control their emotions and express anger in a healthy way. For further information, contact Peter Devers at Knock Counselling Centre, 0949375032 or log on to www.knockshrine.ie

Trócaire Lenten Campaign 2021This year Trócaire's Lenten Campaign will focus on exploring the Impact of conflict on families in South Sudan. This Lent, we learn more about the suffering of people who have lost their homes and loved ones to war, and how they are rebuilding their lives through love, friendship and solidarity. Trócaire Boxes for those who wish to take them are available in the Church.

Novena to St Joseph will take place from Thursday 11th March to Friday 19th March: Feast day of St Joseph. This Novena will be included with the daily mass, it will be live on the webcam & Parish Radio not open to the Public.

THE YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH PRAYER: *To you, O blessed Joseph (Ad te, beate Ioseph)* To you, O blessed Joseph, do we come in our afflictions, and having implored the help of your most holy Spouse, we confidently invoke your patronage also. Through that charity which bound you to the Immaculate Virgin Mother of God and through the paternal love with which you embraced the Child Jesus, we humbly beg you graciously to regard the inheritance which Jesus Christ has purchased by his Blood, and with your power and strength to aid us in our necessities. O most watchful guardian of the Holy Family, defend the chosen children of Jesus Christ; O most loving father, ward off from us every contagion of error and corrupting influence; O our most mighty protector, be kind to us and from heaven assist us in our struggle with the power of darkness. As once you rescued the Child Jesus from deadly peril, so now protect God's Holy Church from the snares of the enemy and from all adversity; shield, too, each one of us by your constant protection, so that, supported by your example and your aid, we may be able to live piously, to die in holiness, and to obtain eternal happiness in heaven. Amen.