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 €975.00** last weekend and in **Claran €516**

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 April: Headford: Private Intentions. Claran: Intentions of the Langan & Stiffe Families.

Readers for April: Headford: Saturday 7pm Sharon Joyce. Sunday 11.30 Aine Farrell. Claran 10am Mary Fahy.

Death Notice: As a Parish Community we would like to extend our sincere sympathies to the Family, Relatives and Friends of Joan Culliton Dublin, sister in law of Zara Brady Rinnaknock.

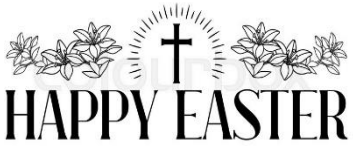
Easter Dues will be collected on Easter Sunday. Your contribution can be made through any of the methods below.
Thank you to all who sent in the CHY3 Certs.

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

Trócaire Lenten Campaign 2021. Please return your Trocaire boxes at your convenience.

An Easter Blessing.

May you and your family be blessed as you celebrate the true meaning of Easter, from the reflection of Good Friday of the joy of Easter Sunday and the promise of eternal life. Best wishes to you this Easter. Happy Easter.



Parish of Killursa & Killower

4th 5th April Easter Sunday of the Lord's Resurrection.
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 for Headford

Sat 3rd April	***7:.00pm***	**Easter Vigil.** Hubert & Maureen Newell Oaklands Anniversary Noreen Creaven Clydagh Anniversary Mary Corcoran RIP Ballinrobe Alice Hugill, Cong Rd & Surrey. People of the Parish
Sun 4th *Easter Sunday*	***11.30am***	**Mass of the Resurrection.** Peggy O'Connor Birthday Remembrance Mick & Rita Dooley, Clooneen Matt Murray RIP Michael Steede 9th Anniversary, Gortnamona & his wife Pauline & all the deceased of the Steede & Reddington Families.
Mon 5th	***10.00am***	No Mass
Tue 6th	***10:00am***	No Mass
Wed 7th	***10:00am***	No Mass
Friday 9th	***10:00am***	Madeline & Martin Collins, Galway Rd. Jack & Michael Collins.
Saturday 10th	***10:00am*** ***7:00pm***	Bridie Burke RIP USA wife of Joe Burke Bridge St. Dr Emer Holohan RIP
Sun 11th	***11:30am*** ***3pm-4pm***	Ivor O'Connell Ballyconnlaught 8th Anniversary Tommy Coen Galway RIP Anniversary Mass Thomas Audley Liss 30th Anniversary. People of the Parish. **Holy Hour** followed by mass @ 4pm For the Intentions of all the people .

Mass Intentions for Claran

Sun 4th Easter Sunday	***10:00am***	Jack Fahy 7yrs & Nora Fahy 6yrs Curraghmore, Anniversaries. Patrick & Mary O'Malley Cloonkeely Anniversary Peter & Bridie Hughes Anniversary
Mon 5th	***10.00am***	No Mass
Tue 6th	***10.00am***	No Mass
Wed 7th	***10.00am***	No Mass
Sunday 11th	***10:00am***	**Margaret Stiffee 1st Anniversary**. Tom & Teresa Keville Carheens Anniversary Mass.

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).. Next Mass Friday 16th April

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

Headford GAA: Results 2-4-7-19 next draw Sunday 4th April, Jackpot 20,000.

Divine Mercy Sunday 11th April. Holy Hour will take place from 3pm- 4pm followed by Mass at 4pm. **This is not open to the public**. This will be live on the Webcam & Parish Radio.



First Communion update: 4th May Religious services is to reopen on a staggered basis, this is the date we have been given by the Government and Nphet. Our hope is still to go ahead with the dates we have given except for the first weekend in May. We will confirm all details when the schools re open after Easter.

A Prayer on Easter Sunday

Light a candle and pause for a few moments to become aware of God's presence. Make the Sign of the Cross, as you
pray:

Lord of all life,
You are our hope and our joy, our source of true happiness.
We have journeyed to Easter and in the most difficult of trials
we have renewed our baptism and proclaimed your resurrection.
We embrace with gladness the new life to which you call each one of us.
Bless us, our families and all the world, with your constant presence and protection.
May we give you thanks every day and share the good news of our faith with all we meet. and may the light of our Easter faith guide our footsteps in your ways of love, peace and truth. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.
In Easter joy we proclaim, Christ is risen! Alleluia, alleluia!.



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.

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.

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

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

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.

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.

Are you or someone you know aged 100 years or older? Athlone Institute of Technology is currently researching the lives lived by Irish centenarians and is actively looking for participants. Contact Alison via email at a.fagan@research.ait.ie for more information on this project

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