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 452.00** last weekend and in **Claran €355.00. Thank you.**

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 Candle Intentions for October: Headford: Intentions of Pat & Breda Joyce, Ross. **Claran** Intentions of Tom & Nora D'Arcy, Carnakib

Readers for October Headford: **Sat 7pm** Margaret Walsh. **Sun 11.30am** Sharon Joyce. Claran **Sun 10am** Helen O'Neill.
Ministers of the Eucharist Headford **7pm** Eamon Walsh **11.30am** Carmel O'Malley. **Claran** Sun. **10am** Mary Gillon

Readers and Eucharistic Ministers need. We have lost a lot of our volunteers over the past 15 months. If you think you would like to volunteer please contact Brigid in the office**. It would be lovely to see teenagers, young adults coming forward.** Thank you to all who already given so much of their time.

Feast Days this week: Monday: St Luke **Friday:** St John Paul 11

Sunday October 24th: Mission Sunday. There is a special envelope in our offertory box. If you don't have a box please use your own envelope and mark it Mission Collection. Thank you

Autumn Dues can be handed in at any time. Thank you for your continued support.

First Holy Communion & Confirmation 2022: If you wish to have your child put forward for First Holy Communion or Confirmation please call into the parish office. We will need a copy of the child's Baptismal Certificate if baptised outside of the parish. **All this paperwork is been done from the parish office not your child's school**. Office hours are 10am to 1pm Monday to Friday. For appointment outside these hours phone 093 35448 or email info@headfordchurch.com

"*Do not let your hearts be troubled. I am going to prepare a place for you*" Jn.14:1-6. In our **November Prayer Services Nov 7th** at **6pm Claran**, and **14th Nov**. Headford at **6pm**. We will accompany the people of the parish in Prayer, Scripture and Song for our loved ones who have died.

Now active on our website

Parish of Killursa & Killower

16th/17th Oct 2021 Twenty Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time
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 16th Oct	**7.00pm**	Kurt Berlinger, Switzerland RIP
Sun 17th	**11.30am**	Mamie McDonagh, Ellagh Estate RIP
Mon 18th	**10.00am**	Ger Joyce, Culleen RIP (Birthday Rem)
Tues 19th		**No Mass**
Wed 20th		**No Mass**
Fri 22nd		**No Mass**
Sat 23rd		**No Mass**
	7.00pm	Pat Conneally, Culleen RIP (Anniversary) Mary & Thomas Nohilly, Cordarra and all decd. of the family RIP Mary Nohilly, Headford Town RIP Paddy Reilly, Caherlistrane RIP Decd. of Glynn Family, Headford RIP
Sun 24th	**11.30am**	Rita Donavan nee O'Connell, England & late of Ballyconlaught & her sister Maura Collins nee O'Connell RIP (Anniversry)
	1.00pm	**Margaret Corbett, Bridge St. RIP (M Mind)**

Mass Intentions for Claran

Sun 17th Oct	**10.00am**	Nora Lee, Carnakib RIP (Anniversary)
Tue 19th		No Mass
Wed 20th		No Mass
Sun 24th	**10:00am**	Ann Kenny, Inchaquinn RIP (Mass Card)

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 **Thank you to all who sent in the CHY3 Cert**

Irish Catholic; If there is anyone interested in ordering the Irish Catholic please contact the parish office. Names we have already need not get in touch unless they want to cancel their subscription.

Restoration Fundraising Rafffle: The countdown is on, less than 2 weeks to go. **Could everyone please return sold/unsold tickets.** They can be returned to the parish office or dropped into the offertory collection box at church door or into the sacristy Tickets can be purchased from the parish office or by phone or through our donate button on our website www.headfordchurch.com
Prizes: 1st prize A New 2022 Skoda Fabia.
2nd Prize Ballygowan 6 seater garden furniture set in hammered bronze finish (sponsored by Joyces Hardware)
3rd prize Two Night Stay with Bed & Breakfast & Dinner on one evening in the Titanic Hotel Belfast, (sponsored by Harcourt Developments).
4th Holiday Home for 1week in Achil Island.
Other prizes include Ryders Chemist €350 Voucher, Corrib Stone Hamper, value €350.
McGaughs Garden Centre Voucher worth €250.
Anglers Rest Hotel €200 Voucher by two.
Church TV.ie Voucher for 2 nights B&B and an evening meal for 2 in Blue Way Lodge, Leitrim.
LED 43in TV
Earpods value €160
Ashford Castle Dinner for 2 Cullens Cottage.
Monaghans five vouchers value €100 each.
Trading Post Voucher for €100.
Case of Wine to the value of €100
Picture framed by John McMahon Photographer.
Two Kylemore Abbey annual family pass.
Careplus Hamper.
Flanagans Hamper
Salon 43 Hairdresser Voucher.
Knitted Blanket.
Milky Way Play space Voucher.
Galway 2021 football team signed Jersey.
Leufers Jewellery prize.
16 pc dinner set.
Moe's Barber's Voucher.
Pamper U Nails voucher.
Perfume from Keady's Pharmacy.
Three Joyces Supermarket Hampers.
O'Tooles Supervalu Hamper.
Thank you to all who sponsored our fundraiser so far and helped out along the way. Follow our facebook page to view all the fantastic prizes on offer so far.

Irish Dance classes every **Wednesday 5pm - 6pm** in **Cloughanover community centre**. All children are welcome. For more information contact Catherine Coleman @ 0871083752 or email colemanschool@gmail.com

Fiadh's Festival of Frights takes place **at Headford Community garden,** from **3 to 6pm** on **October 30th**. It's a family fun Halloween event that includes a treasure hunt, games and music. Entry is by donation, and funds raised will support the work of Headford and District Association and Headford Community Garden. Your support would be greatly appreciated. More information can be found on our Facebook pages.

Synodal Process: In these days, the Catholic Church throughout the world and in Ireland is beginning a series of conversations about what God wants of his people at this time. These conversations are often referred to as a Synodal Process. "Synodal" comes from a Greek word which means "walking together". On **Sunday 17th October** we mark the opening of this Synodal Process entitled, *For **a synodal Church: communion, participation and mission***. This Synodal Process coincides with the start of the two-year Syno.dal Pathway for the Catholic Church in Ireland which will lead, in time, to a National Synodal Assembly in Ireland. We pray that the next two years will be a time of prayer, listening and discernment, involving a consultative conversation. This will allow all people - both within the Church and in society at large, to share their insights into the Catholic Church in Ireland – past, present and future – so that we can prepare for a National Synodal Assembly in the coming years. - to learn more about the Synodal Pathway for the Catholic Church in Ireland www.catholicbishops.ie/synod– to learn more about the worldwide Synod www.synod.va

The Drop-In Listening Service at Knock Counselling Centre is open to anyone. If you feel the need to talk to someone in confidence, you can 'drop -in' (no appointment necessary) on Thursdays. The drop-in service begins at 11am with final sessions no later than 3pm. This is an open and accessible service to help those who find themselves in need of support. Find out more by contacting Knock Counselling Centre; T. 094 93 75032 E. counsellingoffice@knockshrine.ie

Marriage Enrichment Weekend 5th -7th November Restore Communication, Renew Commitment and Rekindle Romance. This is an online experience (using Zoom), starting on Friday evening at 8pm and ending on Sunday afternoon at 2:30pm. Details https://www.marriageencounter.ie

Corrib Male Singers meet on **Tuesday night** at **8pm** in the **Anglers Rest Hotel**. New members are welcome.

Sean Chairde are back in **St. Fursa's Hall** on **Friday.** We welcome new members**. Transport** is available by **contacting Lena** at **087 2873542.**

First Saturday Devotions to Our Lady of Fatima 9am in Headford Church on the first Saturday of the month. Rosary & Meditation followed at 10am with Mass. **Next Date is November 6th.**

New Government Guidelines from **Monday 6th Sept..**
Religious Ceremonies: All religious ceremonies can proceed with 50% of church capacity, regardless of immunity status of attendees.
Weddings: There will be no change to the current limits (100 guests) We ask you all to please bring and wear your own facemask Please use hand sanitizer on entering the church. Please comply with instructions of stewards at all times. Please receive Holy Communion in the hand. Please remember to keep a safe distance at all time. Thank you

Parish Office . You can 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, we are now in a position to take card payments over the phone. Office Hours: **Mon to Fri10.00am – 1.00pm.**

Mass Cards: There is now available in the parish office a selection of mass cards for different occasions: Sympathy, Birthday Remembrance, Get Well, Mass Bouquet, Thinking of you etc. Some of these offerings, together with the intentions are been forwarded to Missionary priests to celebrate individual Masses as requested. It would be impossible to say all these masses in the parish

Mass Bookings: Please note that due to high volume of mass bookings, we would strongly advise to allow two to three months in advance for booking anniversary masses so you can get the dates you would like

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

Adoration: In Headford Church Monday and Tuesday evenings from 7pm-8pm. A Quiet moment to offer prayer and reflection.

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.

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

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).*

Knock Shrine: Visitors are welcome to attend public Mass at the following times: Monday-Friday in the Parish Church at 12 noon, 3pm & 7.30pm (Rosary at 7pm) Saturdays in the Basilica at 12 noon, 3pm & 7.30pm (Rosary at 7pm) Sundays in the Basilica at 12 noon & 3pm (Rosary at 2.30pm) Confessions are available daily from 11am-3pm in the Chapel of Reconciliation Private Prayer is available daily in the Apparition Chapel from 9am-9pm We ask you to be mindful of your own safety and that of your fellow pilgrims when you visit Knock Shrine and to respect proper advice such as wearing masks, sanitising hands and keeping the proper distance. Our ushers and stewards are on hand to assist you as you participate in the Sacraments here at the Shrine. We will continue to stream Mass daily on our website here. Full details of our opening hours and Mass times are available here.

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

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 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

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

St Mary's Church Restoration Fund. Our church in Headford is a very important part of our local community, both as an historic building renowned for its architectural beauty and as the focal point of our Catholic faith. The church is over 155 years old having been built in 1865 by Fr. Peter Conway. Like all old buildings requires constant care and maintenance. Various minor works have been completed over the past few years, however the most pressing and now urgent requirement is to improve the heating and insulation of the church. The result of this major piece of work will be to make the church much warmer, greatly improving the level of comfort for churchgoers while also saving on the heating bill. This will involve a number of different projects, the most urgent of which is the roof, part of which has fallen down in recent times. This is now an urgent health and safety issue. As you may be aware, we have been quietly raising funds for the church restoration through offertory collections and various fundraising activities such as the calendar and Triduum Mass cards. However, to move forward with this project will require much additional funds and a fundraising committee has been formed made up of members of the pastoral council and finance committee. We are currently engaged in finalising a project plan including estimates of costings for all the works involved while in parallel organising a major fundraising effort. In the coming months, we plan to hold a major fundraising drive. We plan to promote this fundraising drive extensively in the community and online the Headford church online services attract thousands of online visitors on a weekly basis. If there is anybody who would be interested in getting involved with this project, or anybody that has any contacts or may be in a position to help, please don't hesitate to contact me at 093 35448

ST MARY'S CHURCH HEADFORD RESTORATION FUNDRAISER

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A New 2022 Skoda Fabia

Sponsored by Monaghan's Garage Galway

1st Prize



Tickets
€10 each
3 for €20
Book of 15 €100

2nd Prize



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Plus many more prizes

Draw will take place Sat. 30th October 2021

Tickets can be purchased from the Parish Office 093 35448
Email: info@headfordchurch.com
Web: www.headfordchurch.com