Mass Times may need to be changed at short notice,
Confessions: By appointment

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 *093 354448*

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 €795.00 l**ast weekend and in **Claran €490.00 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 August Headford: Intentions of Margaret Keady & Family Ower, Remembrance of TJ Keady Ower RIP.**Claran** Intentions of Julia Holleran, Carnakib & a Private Intention

Ministers for August Headford:
Readers: **Sat 7pm Mary Creaven Sun 11.30am** Aine Farrell
Ministers of the Eucharist : Sat. **7pm** Mary Creaven, Carmel O'Malley Sun **11.30am** Jimmy Sweeney, Bernie Sweeney
Baskets: Sat 7pm: Mary Fahy Eamon Walsh
Sun.11.30am: Margaret Moran James Moran
Ministers for August Claran:
Reader Sun 10am: Nora Darcy
Minister of the Eucharist: Mary Fahy

As A Parish Community we offer our sincere sympathy to the family, relatives & friends Nora Molloy, formally of Annaghkeen who died in St Louis, USA, Jim Donnellan, Headford. May they rest in peace.

Altar Candles for 2023 are available at the moment please contact the office to secure the month you would like.

Volunteer Readers, Ministers of the Eucharist and Offertory Basket Collectors needed for Headford Church. Please consider giving up a little of your time.

Church Collections: List of ways people can donate Parish house Letterbox some leave envelopes in my door which I secure right away,
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.
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St Mary's Church Claran
BIC BOFIIE2D IBAN Details IE62 BOFI 9038 7528 9727 25

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Parish of Killursa & Killower

20th 21st August Twenty First 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 20th	**7.00pm**	Maisie Harte nee Mannion Month Mind Mass Phyllis Mangan Carrowbeg 1st Anniversary & Michael Mangan 17th Anniversary Maureen Gaviola, Florida, (Healing Mass)
Sun 21st	**11:30am**	Gerry Walsh,Carnikib Anniversary Mass People of the Parish
Mon 22nd	**7:00pm**	Julia Sullivan Birthday Remembrance
Fri 26th	**10:00am**	Private Intention
Sat 27th	**10:00am** **7:00pm**	Joe Concannon RIP Gerard Lee, Crydon/ Culleen Month's Mind Mass Nora, Jack, Joe & ,members of the Gibsey Family Joe McDonagh, Ballyhale Anniversay Nora & Thomas Wynne Anniversary Maureen Gaviola, Florida, (Healing Mass)
Sun 28th	**11:30am**	Ger Joyce RIP People of the Parish

Mass Intentions for Claran

Sun 21st	**10:00am**	Kitty Lee, Carnacrow 1st Anniversary
Tues 23rd	**9:30am**	Tom Murphy Kilbeg
Wed 24th	**9:30am**	Maureen Lydon RIP
Sun 28th	**10.00am**	James Lee Carnakib Anniversary Mass Patsy Walsh RIP Tom Murphy KIlbeg

Holy Days this week: Tue 23rd St Rose of Lima, St Eugene, Wed 24th St Bartholomew, Apostle, Thur 25th St Louis of France, St Joseph Calacanz, Sat 27th St Monica

Communion Pyx: If anyone has communion pyx at home could they please return to Declan. Thank you

Chime : Services for Deaf and Hard of Hearing. Outreach at Tuam Primary Care centre , Friday 19th of August , 1:45pm-4:15pm. Contact Tony Dolan for more information or an appointment 086 8341318 Tony.dolan@chime.ie

Congrats and well done to **Moyne Villa** on their new 4G Astro Pitch and we are delighted to be with them this Sunday at 2pm for the official opening and Blessing.

Knock Shrine Family Day, 21st August 11am – 3pm Our Family Day is a lovely opportunity for families to get together to enjoy a range of fun activities.All events and activities are free of charge and take place on the beautiful grounds of Knock Shrine, close to the award-winning Knock Museum and cafe.There will be outdoor activities taking place on the green (weather permitting) and marquees with indoor workshops, games and more. Don't miss this special day of memory making and fun for everyone to enjoy.

Also, Headford Mart are actively searching for old photos and memorabilia from the development of the Headford Fair-day into a successful Co-Operative Society and significant Livestock Mart in the West of Ireland. We would greatly appreciate any info and items people wish to share. With major improvements ongoing, we want to include and recognise all the amazing efforts and contributions by the current and previous generations. Please email hmartps@gmail.com or call Joyce on 087 333 9786. Or call down to the mart any weekday.

Headford & Claran Parish Novena to Our Lady Untier of Knots takes place from Tuesday 20th September to Wednesday 28th September at 7:00pm each evening in Headford Church. Beginning with the Novena Prayers followed by Mass.

Additional Tús Places There are currently vacancies in a variety of Tús roles in the local area. Tús is a community work placement for those 12 months or more unemployed and in receipt of Jobseeker's Allowance, with participants receiving a top-up payment. Completion of the scheme provides employers with evidence of work experience, a reference, and a CV. If you are interested, phone 091 875732 or 087 9335477, or email tusadmin@grd.ie.

33 Hr Eucharist Adoration: We thank Fr. Richard Gibbons P.P. for facilitating the 33 hours of Eucharistic Adoration in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel at the International Eucharistic Marian Shrine Knock on the 11thand 12th August. Over 500 people from the different parishes throughout the Archdiocese spent time in Adoration together with pilgrims from different parts of Ireland and abroad praying for Priests, vocations to Priesthood and Religious life and also the success of the Annual Knock Novena. It was very encouraging to witness so many priests with their parishioners spending time in Adoration during the 33 hours. Our Eucharistic Adoration concluded with Benediction and Holy Mass celebrated by Fr Jerald David, Aghamore Parish and we thank him for his catechesis, inspiring homily and healing prayers. Thanks also to Archbishop Francis Duffy and his Diocesan Secretary Fr Francis Mitchell for their ongoing support.

Fr John Joyce's Book "The Changing Face of Mission" is Available in the Parish Office €10 each.

Mountbellew Agricultural Show is back... on **03 September** 2022. Online entries: https://www.mountbellewagrishow.ie/contact. For queries: (085) 7606000. **A good day out for all**. Free Children's Entertainment including Junior Tractor Run and Pony Rides

Tuam Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes: The Tuam Diocesan Pilgr image to Lourdes, led by Archbishop Francis Duffy, will depart Knock Airport on 25th August for five nights. For enquiries and bookings, please contact Sheila Davin 086 8664633.

KNOCK NOVENA

14 – 22 Augus The National Novena to Our Lady of Knock will take place from 14-22 August, offering nine days of prayer and reflection. Ceremonies are at 3pm and 8pm, and a special candlelight procession will take place after the 8pm ceremonies– weather permitting. The theme for this year's Novena is 'A Journey in Hope' with guest speakers each day. Thursday 18th August will be a special day of prayer for peace in Ukraine, and people from the Ukrainian community in Ireland and host families are invited to attend the ceremonies on this day. Sunday 21st is Family Day from 11am to 3pm with a range of events and activities taking place on the beautiful grounds of Knock Shrine. Full details are available on www.knockshrine.ie

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. Also Please note that mass times can change at any time so it is advisable to watch out for the newsletter weekly.

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 Fri 10.00am – 1.00pm**

The Galway Memorial Walk is Back! The Galway Memorial Walk, now in its 17th year, is one of Galway Hospice's main fundraising campaigns and a very beneficial part of our annual calendar. "It is because of each individual's participation in the Galway Memorial Walk, that we can continue to provide the care necessary for our patients and their families living with a life-limiting illness", Charlene Hurley, Director of Fundraising and Communications at Galway Hospice. By participating in the Galway Memorial Walk, you will continue to play a very important part in ensuring the free delivery of essential Inpatient Care, Community Palliative Care, Day Care and Bereavement Support services to those affected by life-limiting illnesses, for as long as they are needed. Those who take part in the Memorial Walk do so in memory of a family member, friend, neighbour or work colleague who has passed away, with many wearing the name of their loved one on special personalised t-shirts provided by the Hospice. It is an event that is dear to many people's hearts and one that will be especially appreciated this year, as we meet once again for the first time since the beginning of the pandemic.This year's Galway Memorial Walk will take place on **Sunday 11th September** commencing from the **Claddagh Hall at 12noon**. To register go to www.galwayhospice.ie/walk or call fundraising on 091 770868. All participants must register. Siúlamaid le chéile agus tacaíonn muid le chéile –
We walk together and support one another.

One Day Retreat to Lough Derg Saturday 3rd September 2022, for more information and bookings contact Mary McHugh on 086 2683209

Headford Community Employment Scheme. Vacancies in Headford area. Must be in receipt of a qualifying social welfare payment. Further details contact Denise Fox @ 087677864

Coill na nÓg – Claran Community Childcare Opening August 31st 2022 Full Day Care including Preschool will be offered at Claran National School. This service will be offered to children aged 2 years and 8 months initially (from free preschool scheme (ECCE) age). We have a large outdoor area and access to a small woodland. A hot meal will be provided. For further information please contact Helen Holden Manager on 087 6903212. The application forms are also available school website www.clarannationalschool.ie

Can you spare a couple of hours per week?
A little time goes along way.Become a Befriender to those living with Dementia
Full Training Provided Contact Caroline on 087-3694477 or 0949364900
Email: Volunteer@westernalzheimers.ie
Available Tues, Wed Afternoon &Thursday

Heritage Week Booklets Among the Heritage Week charity booklets this year are those on the 1923 and 1925 Galway All-Ireland winning hurling and football sides. The booklets are €10 each with all proceeds going to support the RSS and Tús Schemes in the county. For more, email sakdolan@hotmail.com

Fr Francis Canavan Servant of God (native of Headford) Columban Missionary priest who was martyred in 1950, his cause for Beatification has been sent to Rome along with the other five Irish missionaries martyred by the communist forces during the Korean War. May their witness give hope and renewal to the faith and people of Ireland

The HUB at Knock Shrine – Open July & August. Parents – Need some time for yourselves? Welcome to the HUB at Knock Shrine, open through July and August, the HUB offers a range of fun activities for children and young people visiting Knock Shrine. From the ARK kids Club for children aged 5 years and over to our drop-in centre with arts & crafts, prayer, music and much more. Don't miss our Family Day on 21st August, a day for families and children with a range of fun activities, all in the beautiful grounds of Knock Shrine. Learn more about summer fun at the HUB at www.knockshrine.ie or phone us on 094 93 75321.

Community Work Initiative The Tús programme, for those 12 months or more unemployed, is now taking-on participants for community work placements with host organisations in the locality. Completion of the scheme provides employers with evidence of work experience, a reference, and a CV. For more, phone 091 875732 or 087 9335477, or email tusadmin@grd.ie.

Meals4Health Galway – Delivers Freshly Cooked Meals to your door. Supporting Independent living for longer in the comfort of your home.
Phone 091354000 for more information or visit www.meals4health.ie

Additional Tús Places There are currently vacancies in a variety of Tús roles in the local area. Tús is a community work placement for those 12 months or more unemployed and in receipt of Jobseeker's Allowance, with participants receiving a top-up payment and other supports. If you are interested, phone 091 875732 or 087 9335477, or email tusadmin@grd.ie

Headford Mart: Remainder of August NORMAL Sheep & Cattle sales every Saturday from 10am and 11am. September 2nd is start of the WEANLING FRIDAYS Sale running until Winter every Friday from 6pm. Weanling Heifers first followed by weanling bulls. Sat. Sales continue from 10am for Sheep and 11am for all other cattle types.

UPCOMING SALES / SHOWS: 2nd Sept 6pm Charolais Weanlings Show & Sale. 3rd Sept Regular Saturday Sale. Friday 9th Sept 6pm Limousine & Belgian Blue Show & Sale Sat 10th Sept Regular Sat Sale. 10am Sheep. 11am Cattle. Fri 16th Sept 6pm Regular Weanling Friday Night Sale. Sat 17th September Autumn Monster Cattle Show & Sale Day Friday Stock gates open from 4pm Saturday Stock Gates open from 5am. Pre-booking for all cattle on 093 35572

Welcoming a return to full public worship Bishops stated, "As the remaining Covid-19 restrictions have been lifted, it is encouraging to see a return to full public worship in our parishes, and the resumption of all aspects of Church and community life. At the heart of the life of our parish communities is the Sunday Mass. When we gather for the Eucharist on the Lord's Day, we do so to express our joy in the Risen Lord and to unite with our brothers and sisters in the Church in thanksgiving and praise to God. This is a communal celebration which shapes us as a community of faith, life and charity." We pray in the Mass that it is 'indeed right and just, our duty and our salvation' to give thanks to the Lord, and the Sunday Eucharist is our greatest act of thanksgiving. During the Season of Lent, we encourage everyone to return to Sunday and weekday Mass in our churches, welcoming each other back as we gather once more together. From Easter Sunday, 17 April, this will once again be deemed an essential expression of faith for all in our Church in Ireland. As always, those whose health is vulnerable or who are unwell will not be under any obligation to attend Mass, and should keep themselves safe and pray at home until they are better. "In the coming days and weeks parishes will continue to gradually lift the restrictions and mitigations which were introduced during the pandemic. We should however remain sensitive and respectful (by way of responsible social distancing and optional wearing of masks) towards those who may still feel vulnerable or anxious. For example, it is good especially in these troubled times, to invite people at the 'Sign of Peace' to make a gesture or greeting of peace to the people around them, rather than the traditional handshake. "We remain grateful to all those who risked their lives and made sacrifices in hospitals and other settings to keep us safe during the pandemic. We appreciate the commitment of priests who continued to minister the sacraments to the best of their ability, notwithstanding the risk this posed to their own life and health. In doing so, priests gave powerful witness to the faith. We also give thanks for the many people in our parishes who worked so hard to maintain our worship and parish life in the safest way possible. We keep in our prayers all who have been impacted in any way during the pandemic, especially the bereaved. As civil commemorations are planned in Ireland for the weekend of the 18 – 20

March, with a National Day of Remembrance and Reflection on Sunday 20 March, we invite all in our parish communities to unite in spirit and in prayerful reflection."

Synodal Pathway The Synodal Report compiled from the recent consultation process in the diocese is available to view on the diocesan website: https://www.tuamarchdiocese.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/06/Tuam-Synodal-Pathway-Synthesis-29-May-2022-.pdf . This report has been forwarded to the Irish Bishops' Conference, who will then send a national report to the Vatican in preparation for the World Synod of Bishops in Autumn 2023

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Cong Abbey: Canons, Canonesses, Characters and Crosses" will be hosted by the Cong Moytura Heritage Society from Friday 19 August to Sunday 21 August and will feature talks by leading archaeologists, art historians, archivists and historians and guided visits to the abbeys of Cong and Inishmaine. The Conference Introduction will be on the night of 19 August in the village followed by a social night of traditional music and craic. **Tickets and further information are available at congabbeyconference.com.**



Mass Servers: **For Headford Church** we have 4 teams (Team A) Rose Heneghan, Kevin Curran (Team B) Ciara Curran, Luke O'Reilly (Team C) Roisin Walsh, Dylan McDonnell (Team D) Ciara O'Neill, Laura Reddington. **Claran Church** we have 5 Teams (Team A) Robyn Murphy, Patrick O'Beirne, Mia Keville, Dylan Woulfe. (Team B) Jasmine Murphy, Hazel Murphy, Julian Gorowski, Enna Birminghan. (Team C) Paidi Halloran, Adam Reddington, Sean Egan. (Team D) Fionn Greaney, Michael Cosgrove, Ruth O'Neill, Sarah Lee. (Team E) Ava McCormack, Sive McCormack. **We will start with Team A from both sides on the week ending 7th/ 8th May. Please also note that children who attend mass any other days are welcome to serve you don't have to be on teams for that weekend you are always welcome.**

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

Footsteps Preschool will hold an Enrolment Opening Day on Thursday the 24th March from 2.45 pm to 4.00pm for parents and their children enrolling for Sept 2022 Please contact Edel /sinead on 086 0380508 or email edelfootstepspreschool@gmail.com

Tricia's Preschool Cloughanover N/S Playschool/Montessori FREE ECCE + NON ECCE Places available 9-12. Contact Tricia 087 961 6139 093 34934. Emails Patriciagorham@eircom.net

Cloughanover NS are now enrolling for **Sept 2022**. Please contact the school at 093 35315 or Email cloughanoverschool@gmail.com for enrolment forms.

Claran NS are now enrolling for **September 2022**. Please contact the school at 093 35922 or email office@clarannationalschool.ie

Headford NS are now enrolling for **September 2022**. Please contact the school at 093 35377 or email headfordgirlsns@gmail.com

Clydagh NS are now enrolling for **September 2022**. Please contact the school at 093 35868 or email clydaghnsoffice@gmail.com

Ballycushion N.S: Enrolment for the school year 2022/2023 is now open. Enrolment forms can be found on the "Enrol Now" tab on our website along with all other information For further information we can be found and contacted on: http://www.ballycushion.com/ (093) 33164 office@ballycushion.com Facebook: @ballycushionns "

Kilcoona NS are now enrolling for **September 2022.** contact the school on 091-791542 or email info@kilcoonans.ie The closing date for enrolment is 25th February.

Cycling Club: Would you like to join a cycling club and head off on a leisurely cycle, meet here in Headford, everybody is welcome please contact Carmel O'Malley for further details on 0863767063

We welcome more people into our Church. I appreciate your ongoing support and the commitment of so many parishioners in helping keep our parish church safe for everyone. Please use the same guidelines below until otherwise stated. ♦ Please maintain 1 metre social distance. ♦ Face masks can be worn if you like. Please use hand sanitizer as you enter the church. ♦ Holy Communion will be distributed as before, please observe one way system which will be announced at Masses. Holy Communion will be distributed on the hand only. ♦ Mass leaflet/newsletter available at church doors. ♦ Shaking hands as "a sign of peace" or at other times is discouraged. ♦ Collection boxes at church doors for weekly/dues envelopes ♦ Please leave the Church in an orderly fashion No congregating by people before /after any service in the Church or Church grounds. ♦ Please use hand sanitizer as you leave the Church. We have moved into a new phase against Covid 19 with a strong emphasis on personal responsibility and mutual respect.

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.

Bereavement Support: Losing a loved one is always a difficult experience. During Covid many support services
were missing but from February 2nd, the weekly Bereavement Support Group will resume every Wednesday
morning at 11am in the Family Centre at Knock Shrine. These meetings aim to help those who are grieving to find
healing, hope and comfort. All are welcome. Further information from Monica Morley on 094-9375320.

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

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

WESTDOC: New Westdoc phone number will be **0818 360 000**. Please save the new number to your mobile phone or keep it near your landline. Please remember when phoning Westdoc to have your Eircode close to hand and your Medical Card Number if applicable

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

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.

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

MEDJUGORJE IRISH CENTRE PILGRIMAGES APRIL - OCT 2022: 7 Nights Apartment B&B and return Airport transfer from Dubrovnik or Split from €315 per person sharing. Guaranteed Airport transfer price for any flight. Contact us for details and book the dates that suit you. Tel. 01 4434510 or email reservations@med-irishcentre.com

Moveable Feasts in 2022/23

	2022	2023
Ash Wednesday	**2nd March**	**22nd February**
Good Friday	**15th April**	**7th April**
Easter Sunday	**17th April**	**9th April**
Ascension	**29th May**	**21st May**
Pentecost	**5th June**	**28th May**
Trinity	**12th June**	**4th June**
Corpus Christi	**19th June**	**11th June**
First Sunday of Advent	**27th November**	**3rd December**

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