Mass Times may need to be changed at short notice.

Confessions: By appointment.

Parish Office Hours 10am to **2pm**. For Mass Bookings, Arranging Baptisms, Certs, Weddings, Mass Cards.

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 35448* **First Friday will take place Easter Week.**

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Mon. 9.15am – 10am & 7-8pm Tues 7-8pm St. Mary's Church Headford
Tue 10-11am
Weds 10am-11am and Thurs 6pm-7pm St. Marys Church Claran

Adoration Every Friday 3-4pm with Divine Mercy and Stations of the Cross. St. Mary's Church Headford. Also available on churchtv.ie & Facebook

Offertory Collection: in **Headford €** last weekend and in **Claran €. Thank you.**

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

Altar Candle Intentions for July:
Headford Private Intention **Claran** Mary & Patie Walsh RIP.

Ministers for July Headford
Readers: **Sat 7pm** Fintan O'Malley **Sun 11.30am** Sharon Joyce
Ministers of the Eucharist: **Sat. 7pm** Declan McDonagh, Michael Hughes **Sun 11.30am**
Baskets: Sat 7pm Declan McDonagh, Mary Fahy **Sun 11.30am** Andy Curran, Redmond Newell.

Minsters for July Claran
Readers: Sun 10am: Josie O'Malley
Ministers of the Eucharist: Sun 10am: Helena Hastings, Michelle Kenny

As a Parish Community we offer our sincere sympathy to the family, relatives, & friends of
May she rest in peace.



O God,
You raised up St. John the Baptist to prepare a perfect person for Christ.
We call upon St. John's intercession to properly prepare us with a true sense of repentance to receive Your grace and salvation.
Make us faithful to Truth and justice, as You did Your servant,
John the Baptist, herald of Your Son's
birth and death. Lord, may You increase
Your life within us.
Amen.

Parish of Killursa & Killower

***24th & 25th June* Twelfth 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 St. Mary's Church, Headford

Sat 24th	**7.00pm**	Thomas Paul Creaven, Birthday Rem. Nellie Joyce Anniv. & her husband Gabriel, Mount Ross, RIP Pat & Mary Kilgarriff, Ballyconlaught, Anniv.
Sun 25th	**11.30am**	Birthday Mass for Seamus Donnellan and remembering his dad Jim & his grandparents Jack and Margaret Boles Anniversary. Thomas Hardiman, Lisheennageeha, Anniv. & his wife Sarah RIP Martin Mannion, Lisheennagheeha Anniv. & the decd. members of the Mannion Family.
Mon 26th	**10.00am**	Kathleen Flemming RIP
Fri 30th	**10.00am**	No Mass
Sat 1st July	**10.00am** **7.00pm**	No Mass Gerard Lee, Culleen, 1st Anniv Patrick Clarke, 2nd Anniv. TJ Keady, Ower, 5th Anniv. John Moran, Knockroon, Anniversary
Sun 2nd	**11.30am**	Kate McDonagh, Windfort, Anniv.

Mass Intentions for Claran, St. Marys Church, Claran

Sun 25th	**10.00am**	Healing Mass
Tues 27th	**9.30am**	No Mass
Weds 28th	**9.30am**	No Mass
Sun 2nd July	**10.00am**	Deceased of the Havern Family Thanksgiving Mass

Feast Days: Mon 26th St. Rudolph, **Tues 27th** St. Cyril of Alexandria, **Wed 28th** St Irenaeus, **Thurs 29th** SS Peter and Paul, **Fri 30th** First Martyrs of the Church of Rome, **Sat 1st** St. Oliver Plunkett

First Friday Novena to the Sacred Heart & Divine Mercy Chaplet: *Friday 7th July 9-10am Headford Church* ***First Saturday Devotions to our Lady of Fatima:*** *9-10am Headford Church 1st July. Rosary & Fatima Prayers followed by Mass.*

Would you like to become involved in the parish: We are always looking for people to read at mass, please call into the sacristy after mass or during parish office opening hours or email info@headfordchurch.com.

Priests Summer Dues thank you to all those contributed to the priests summer collection. This is one of four collections taken up each year which goes toward the upkeep of the priest of the parish. There is a special envelope in your offertory box & at the back of the church. These can be handed in at any time.

VAKS PROGRAMME: Applications are now open for VAKS (Volunteer at Knock Shrine) programme. It is an opportunity for young people in TY, 5th and 6th year to come to Knock to volunteer for a weekend in either July or August. For Info contact: 094 9375321 or youthministry@knockshrine.ie

Summer Art Camp in Headford town July 3rd - 7th Mon - Fri 10am to 1.30pm daily Contact Marie Flaherty for details on 0897030272 or email marieflaherty81@yahoo.com

Headford Dementia Café: Headford's Dementia Café will take place on Monday the 26th June from 11-12:30 in Headford Hall. The Dementia Café is free and open to all people with dementia and their families. It is a relaxed space for people with dementia and their families to meet, chat and have a laugh. This month we are having our summer party with local musicians and singers. We will take a break for July and August returning on the last Monday of September. Tea/coffee and cake will be provided. For more information, contact: Solas FRC @093-3644

Claran community childcare are looking for a reliable enthusiastic person to work with us over the summer. July 3rd to August 18th, 12.00-6.00pm, Mon to Fri. A childcare qualification would be an advantage but is not essential, over 18s only. Garda vetting will be required. Contact Helen on 0876903212 (Text/Call/WhatsApp) or email clarancommunitychildcare@gmail.com".

Baptism: With Covid restrictions lifted Baptism's will now be on a shared basis. Baptism's take place on the first Sunday and third Saturday of each month.

Meals4Health - Galway – Delivers Fresh Delicious Affordable Meals to your door suited to the specific dietary requirements of the older person. Supporting Independent living in the comfort of your home Phone 091354000 for more information or visit www.meals4health.ie

Holy Water: If anyone 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.

Bank Transfer: There are a number of transactions that have no name or box number in the subject line. If this is you, could you please contact the office so that we can allocate it to your name and box number.

Camp @ Coil na nÓg – Claran Community Childcare: in Claran National School H91Y443. 3rd-7th July 17th–21st July 31st–4th August & 14th–18th August from 9.30am – 2.30pm. To book your place contact 0876903212 or email clarancommunitychildcare@gmail.com.

***'Cast all your anxiety on Him because He cares for you.'* 1 Peter 5:7**

Weekly Offertory Contribution: Should anyone wish to set up for a weekly/monthly direct debit, or bank transfer, instead of receiving the offertory box please contact the office and let us know, this will help us save on the cost of printing when we are ordering the boxes in the next few weeks.

HopeSpace - a free support service for children and young people in Galway city and county who have been bereaved has opened recently. You can contact HopeSpace by phone at 091 342566, by email support@hopespace.ie or through the website at www.hopespace.ie. HopeSpace is only the second such service in Ireland (there is already a children's grief centre in Limerick). Please pass the word on and contact HopeSpace if you have any questions or need help.

For those who would like to donate weekly online, please see Bank details below. Please put your name/box number in the reference section and contact the office to let Sharon know you will not need a box.
Bank details are as follows: **A/c Name: Headford Church**: BIC BOFIIE2D IBAN Details IE27 BOFI 9038 7528 9740 34

A/c Name: Claran Church: BIC BOFIIE2D IBAN Details IE62 BOFI 9038 7528 9727 25
Church Gate Collections: Anyone looking to organise a church gate collection must organise a permit with An Garda Síochána and notify the parish office in advance.

Tús Community Work Initiative for those 12 months or more unemployed, is now taking-on participants for community work placements with host organisations in the locality. For more, phone 091 875732 or 087 9335477, or email tusadmin@grd.ie.

Headford Further Education and Training Centre, Unit 2, Abbey House, Main Street, Headford, Ph: 093 34746. **Free classes**: Reading, Writing, Numeracy, Communication, Computers, iPads, Digital Media, ESOL English. **Western Alzheimer's:** 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.

World Youth Day 2023. World Youth Day is a Catholic international event, attended by Pope Francis, and held every three years. It will take place next August 1-6, 2023, in Lisbon, Portugal. The Archdiocese of Tuam will participate in this exciting pilgrimage and is inviting young adults (18-35) to join with us for a week of prayer, faith, and friendship. If you are interested or would like more information, please email: tuam2lisbon23@gmail.com or chat to your local priest.

Headford Bridge Club invites all Bridge players to join their club at Angler's Rest Hotel every Tuesday at 7.15 p.m. for a fun and social event. Contact Ann at 0876007624. Would you like to learn? Then contact Marlene O'Connor, a wonderful Bridge teacher at 0871335830.

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.

Safeguarding and Diocesan Vetting is up for renewal for the Parish, would everybody that this would affect please take a renewal form, complete and return to office. Thank you.

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.

Mass Cards: Are 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 being forwarded to Missionary priests to celebrate individual Masses as requested. It would be impossible to say all these masses in the parish.

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

Headford Adult Learning Centre: Abbey House, Unit 2, Main St, Headford, Co. Galway. Classes available in the following for beginners to level 3: Computers, iPads, and Smart Phone, Music Appreciation, Book Club, Communications, Digital Media, Climate Justice, Career Preparation. English for Speakers of Other Languages. Also help with Reading Writing and Spelling. Phone 093 34746, 093 26609 or call in to the Centre.

Tús Community Work Initiative 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.

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 able to take card payments over the phone. Office Hours: **Mon to Fri 10.00am – 2.00pm**

Moveable Feasts in 2023/24

	2023	2024
Ash Wednesday	**22nd February**	**14th Feb**
Good Friday	**7th April**	**29th March**
Easter Sunday	**9th April**	**31st March**
Ascension	**21st May**	**12th May**
Pentecost	**28th May**	**19th May**
Trinity	**4th June**	**26th May**
Corpus Christi	**11th June**	**2nd June**
First Sunday of Advent	**3rd December**	**1st December**

Chy3 Charity Donations Scheme: Thanks to all who have returned forms. It's still not too late to sign up. Only requirements are 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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.