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

Parish Office Hours 10am to **2pm** Monday – Friday.

Notices for Newsletter Deadline is 12noon on Wednesday. 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**, please phone the office if you would like to be included in the list 35448.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Mon. 9.15 - 11am & 7-8pm and Tues 6.45 - 8pm in **St. Mary's Church Headford**
Tues 10-11am, Weds 10-11am and Thurs 6-7pm
St. Mary's 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. The Parish Safeguarding Policy is available on https://www.tuamarchdiocese.org/diocesan-safeguarding-policy/ Safeguarding Officers are PJ Newell and Maura Moran.

Altar Candle Intentions for September:
Headford: Pat & Mary Fahy, Slieveroe
Claran: Intentions of the Newell Family

Ministers for September Headford
Readers: Sat 7pm: Pat Duddy
Sun 11.30am: Amanda **O'Connell 7th & 21st Sept**

Ministers of the Eucharist:
Sat. 7pm: Jimmy Sweeney, Mary Fahy
Sun 11.30am

Baskets: Sat 7pm Mary Fahy, Declan McDonagh Sun **11.30am** James Moran, Siobhan Waldron.

Ministers for September Claran
Readers: Breda Joyce
Minister of the Eucharist: Martina Lee & Marian Creaven

We as a parish community offer our deepest condolences to the family, friends and relatives of **Nora Biggins,** Ballisnahina, Shrule, & formerly Ballycurrin, Headford. May she rest in peace.

The Funeral of Kathleen Goaley (Née Hannon), Kilbrun, Uk and formerly of Headford is scheduled to take place as follows: reposing at Carey's funeral home on Wednesday the 24th of September from 5-6pm with removal to Headford Church afterwards, funeral mass will take place in Headford Church on Thursday the 25th at 12pm. Details to be published on rip.ie.

Feast Days: Mon 22nd St. Maurice, **Tues 23rd** St. Pius of Pietreicina (Padre Pio), **Weds 24th** Our Lady of Walsingham, **Thurs 25th** St. Finnbarr, **Fri 26th** Ss Cosmas and Damian, martyrs, **Sat 27th** St. Vincent de Paul.

Do you feel called to seek God in prayer & contemplation, monastic work, and community life? The Cistercian community at St Mary's Abbey, Glencairn invites single women aged 19–40 to our upcoming MONASTIC VOCATIONS WEEKEND 24th-27th October 2025 Please contact Sr Mairéad,vocations@glencairnabbey.org Visit www.glencairnabbey.org for more details.

Parish of Killursa & Killower

20th & 21st of September 2025, The Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Fr. Ray Flaherty PP – 35448 info@headfordchurch.com
Website: www.headfordchurch.com Online Streaming on Churchtv.ie/headford, churchtv.ie/claran or Headford Parish on Facebook

Mass Intentions for St. Mary's Church, Headford

Sat 20th	**7.00pm**	Vincent Fadden, Castleview, 7th Anniv & the decd. members of the Fadden & Collins Family Sr. Phiomena (Phil) Noone, 1st Anniversary The decd of the Halvey Family
Sun 21st	**11.30am**	Hubert & Bridie Leonard, Kilmaine, (A) Joe & Teresa Geoghegan RIP & all the deceased of the Geoghegan family.
Mon 22nd	**10.00am**	No Mass
Wed 24th	**7.00pm**	Novena to Our Lady Untier of Knots (1)
Thur 25th	**7.00pm**	Novena to Our Lady Untier of Knots (2)
Fri 26th	**7.00pm**	Novena to Our Lady Untier of Knots (3)
Sat 27th	**6.45pm**	Novena to Our Lady Untier of Knots (4) Dympna Mullins RIP (M.C)
Sun 28st	**11.30am** **6.30pm** **7.00pm**	Sarah & William McCauley & all the decd of the family Thomas, Breda & Mary Audley, Liss (A) Giovanna and Amatore Visintin – Italy RIP Reconciliation service Novena to Our Lady Untier of Knots (5)

Mass Intentions for St. Mary's Church, Claran

Sun 21st	**10.00am**	Mattie Reddington, Eaglewood, (A) Special Intention Michael & Alice Carroll (22nd & 7th Anniv) Loggawannia.
Tue 23rd	**9.30am**	May Molloy, Ower, RIP (M.C)
Sun 28th	**10.00am**	The People of the Parish Annie Toher Months Mind

The parish office will be closed on Monday 22nd Sept – Sunday 28th Sept.

Child & Adolescent Counselling Service Our experienced and supportive counsellors work with young people to help them navigate difficult emotions, improve communication skills and develop healthy coping mechanisms. If you know of someone who could benefit from our service, please contact us at 0949375032.

Fun Dance Classes offered at Cloughanover Hall! Kids/Adults/Couples, Line Dancing/Latin & more. For info, please call Amanda 089 984 1752.

Light a candle online: for those who are watching online, you can now light a candle on Churchtv.ie/Headford, anytime of the day or night.

Novena to Our Lady Untier of Knots: St. Mary's Church Headford on Wednesday the 24th of September – Thursday 2nd of October. Rosary followed by mass each evening. All are welcome.

	NOVENA TO OUR LADY UNTIER OF KNOTS 2025	
Time	**Date**	**Speaker**
7.00pm	Weds 24th Sept	Patricia Kelly
7.00pm	Thurs 25th Sept	Rev Stephen Sherry
7.00pm	Fri 26th Sept	Philip McArdle
6.45pm	Sat 27th Sept	Dr. Fáinche Ryan
6.30pm 7.00pm	Sun 28th Sept RECONCILLIATION Rosary & Mass	Fr. Jerald David
7.00pm	Mon 29th Sept	Sr. Attracta Tighe
6.30pm 7.00pm	Tues 30th Sept ANOINTING Rosary & Mass	Fr. Brendan Walsh
7.00om	Weds 1st October	Fr. Ray Flaherty
7.00pm	Thurs 2nd October	Gerry Glennon Mid-West Radio

Adult Faith Formation classes will take a break for the next 2 Weds for the Novena. Anyone interested in joining please contact Sr. Annemarie.

Silent Retreat: "If you but knew the gift of God..." Fr. Kilian Byrne, Foyer of Charity St. Mary's Accommodation, Knock, Co. Mayo November 24th to 30th 2025 Cost: €570 full board Contact: Kay: 089 4348901 kaylooby@gmail.com or Helen : 086 1678027/ hellywilliams@gmail.com www.foyerofcharity.ie A privileged time to come away from noise and distractions, and listen to the Spirit of God, - Who is Love. Silence, prayer, teachings & liturgy of the Church.

Headford Camera Club: - Photo Competition 'Moments that reflect the beauty, culture or landscape of Headford & the surrounding area's'. Closing date Sept 30th for more information email: hccphotocomp@gmail.com**.**

The European Institute of Family Life Education (IEEF) in conjunction with the Natural Family Planning Teachers' Association of Ireland (NFPTAI) are hosting their annual Conference, 'Family, Life, Education; Our Hope for the Future' on October 4th 2025, (9.30 am -3.30pm) in Knock House Hotel; Conference Ticket: €60; CPD points for Healthcare professionals. To Book: www.eventbrite.ie/o/nfptai-73350755083 ;: www.naturalfamilyplanningireland.ie and www.ieef.eu

Zumba with Natalia — every Tuesday at 7:30pm in Clydagh N.S Eircode H91CK06. €10 pay as you go. All welcome! No experience needed. For more Info Call or text 085 2708280 …or just show up!

Irish Catholic Newspaper: Please note that the Irish Catholic Newspaper will now cost €3.50each. If you would like to receive a weekly copy please contact Sharon 093 35448 in the office. Thank you to those who have paid their subscription this year, subscriptions can be paid in the office or put in the weekly basket.

Adult Faith Formation: an introduction into the teachings, traditions and beliefs of the Catholic Church. If you are interested in becoming a Catholic or know someone who might be or would like to renew your faith, don't hesitate to contact the Parish Office, where we can provide you with more information and a registration form. Phone 093 35448 or email: info@headfordchurch.com or call into the office H91XA4A. **Meeting on Wednesday's at 7.30pm.**

Mary Lee's The Stranger, the dream, the bird: "Mary Lee's poetry collection is a deeply spiritual and contemplative work that offers hope and grace amid life's challenges". Last few remaining copies available in the parish office.

Church Gate Collections: Anyone looking to organise a collection at the church gates must get a Garda Permit and notify the parish office in advance. It is advisable to check the date with the Parish office as collections are not recommended on certain dates e.g. Christmas, Easter…

Accord Marriage Care Service have launched their updated Marriage preparation course 'Marriage A Journey Not a Destination' Book today www.accord.ie, 01 5053112 or email marriagepreparation@accord.ie

Many Thanks to all who have sent in donations of Postage Stamps. These donations are forwarded on to Sr. Maria in the Mission Centre Dublin and help support the Missions in East Timor, Cuba and Indonesia.

Would you like to read at mass? Or help collect the baskets? We have a wonderful group of volunteers, but our numbers are dwindling, and more helps is always needed. If you'd like to find out more or put your name forward, please contact Sharon in the office on 093 35448 or info@headfordchurch.com or pop into the Sacristy after mass.

We kindly ask that you book anniversary Masses a good bit in advance (at least one month) rather than leaving it to short notice. We try to only take 4 intentions per weekend Masses & 1 for weekday masses & we ask that you be understanding if your preferred date is not available. ***Please note Mass times may need to be changed at short notice.***

Are you caring for a loved one at home with additional needs? A spouse, partner, child, close relative or neighbour? Then you are a family carer! Become a member of Family Carers Ireland, the national charity supporting Ireland's 500,000+ family carers **nationwide. Contact 057 93** 70221 and hear how we can support you or view www.familycarers.ie.

Rainbows Group Support: As part of the supports we offer children and young people in Solas FRC, we are very pleased to be able to provide support for those who may have experienced a bereavement or family change following parental separation, through the introduction of the Rainbows Programmes. Meeting others of a similar age and in a similar situation can be very supportive and helpful for children and young people. If you are interested on behalf of your son or daughter, please email rainbows@solasfrc.ie or phone 086-2323433 for more information.

Seniorline is a confidential listening service for older people by trained older volunteers, Freephone 1800 80 45 91 Phone lines are open every day from 10am to 10pm, 365 days a year. As well as responding to individual callers, Seniorline advocates nationally for older people in Ireland, representing their needs, concerns and wishes to media, the general public, politicians and key stakeholders.

Chy3 Charity Donations Scheme: Thank you to all who support the Parish through this scheme. In 2024 we entered a new cycle with this donation scheme, and all forms (enduring certs) need to be resubmitted to the revenue commissioners. They are available at all exit doors of the church. Please take one and drop it back to the parish office or pop it in the collection basket at your earliest convenience.

It's still not too late to sign up. Please consider doing so as it is a substantial income for our Parish, 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 093 35448. Again, sincere Thanks to you all for continued support.

Meals4Health a Social Enterprise of COPE Galway are looking for volunteers to deliver meals to their customers on Thursday mornings across Galway City or County area? Please contact 091 354000 for details.

Solas Family Support Drop-in Clinic: in conjunction with Tusla and Foroige are offering a Family Support Community Drop-In Clinic on the first Wednesday of every month. Contact John on 093-36446 or Eamonn on 086-1713384 for more information.

Parish Office. You can contact the office 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**

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.

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.

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.

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.

Moveable Feasts in 2025/26

	2025	2026
Ash Wednesday	**5th March**	**18th Feb**
Good Friday	**18th April**	**3rd April**
Easter Sunday	**20th April**	**5th April**
Ascension	**1st June**	**17th May**
Pentecost	**8th June**	**24th May**
Trinity	**15th June**	**31st May**
Corpus Christi	**22nd June**	**7th June**
First Sunday of Advent	**30th November**	**29th November**

Abbreviations: (A) Anniversary, **(P.I.)** Private Intention, **(S.I.)** Special Intention, **(M.C.)** Mass Card, **(B.R.)** Birthday Remembrance, **(G.W.)** Get Well/Healing, **(M.B)** Mass Bouquet.