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 & 6-8pm and Tues 12-1pm & 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 €1018** last weekend and in **Claran €700. 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 February
Headford: The Creaven family, High St.
Claran: Margaret Keady & family.

Ministers for February Headford
Readers: Sat 7pm Fintan O'Malley
Sun 11.30am: John McHugh
Ministers of the Eucharist:
Sat. 7pm: Bernie Sweeney
Sun 11.30am John McHugh
Baskets: Sat 7pm Declan McDonagh, Mary Fahy **Sun 11.30am** Andy Curran & Redmond Newell

Ministers for February Claran
Readers:
Minister of the Eucharist:

Feast Days: Mon 26th Ss Timothy and Titus, **Tues 27th** St. Angela Merici, **Weds 28th** St. Thomas Aquinas, **Thurs 29th** St. Gildas the Wise, **Fri 30th** St. Aidan, **Sat 31st** St. John Bosco.

Remembering those who have died please keep in your prayers those who have died recently **Julia Flynn** (née Molloy) St. Mary's Road, **Sean McEllin** Toorard, Headford, Galway / Castlebar, Mayo and **Thomas J. (Tom) O'Neill,** Killamonagh, Caherlistrane, Galway. May they rest in peace.

Adult Faith Formation every Weds at 7pm in the Parish Martyrs **New members always welcome** call 093 35448**.**

Cloughanover NS: Enrolments now open for Infants starting Sept 2026. Closing date Feb 18th. Enrolment forms are available by email cloughanoverschool@gmail.com For further information please contact the school at 093 35315.

Kilroe N.S. & Pre School are now enrolling for September 2026. Please contact the school by emailing kilroeschool@gmail.com for further details.

Footsteps Preschool & Daycare Glencorrib now *enrolling for September 2026. Open Morning, Saturday 7th Feb 10am to 11am. Limited spaces! Contact Helen 0861717833 for further information.*

Parish of Killursa & Killower

24th & 25th of January 2026, The Third 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 24th	**7.00pm**	John Martyn, Keernaun (A) Fursey Keady (A) Liam Lee, Culleen (A) Mary Forde, Main St. (A)
Sun 25th	**11.30am**	David Concannon Months Mind Jack Stockton RIP
Mon 26th	**10.00am**	Willie & Kitty Costello & their grandson Declan and Peter Mannion RIP
Fri 30th	**10.00am**	Private Intention
Sat 31st	**10.00am** **7.00pm**	John Kyne, Ross (A) Pierce & Jack Langan, (R.M) Michael Comer, 10th Anniv Joe Cassidy RIP (M.C) Hannah Flannagan 25th Anniv
Sun 1st Feb	**11.30am**	Paddy O'Brien Culleen (A) Micheal Hynes 80th Birthday Rem Maureen Day 35th Anniv

Mass Intentions for St. Mary's Church, Claran

Sun 25th	**10.00am**	The People of the Parish Christina Walsh RIP (M.C)
Tue 27th	**9.30am**	John Gerard Lee RIP (M.C)
Wed 28th	**9.30am**	Private Intention
Sun 1st	**10.00am**	The People of the Parish Fursey, Eamon, Liam and Tommie Keady (A)

Training programme for Parent Volunteers for Confirmation will take place in the Martrys meeting room (new meeting room) on Monday the 26th of January from 8-10pm. Please bring proof of ID and proof of address for Garda Vetting purposes.

Parish Pastoral Council meeting will take place on Tuesday the 27th January in the Martyr's Meeting room at 7.30pm.

A massive thank you to the Claran ICA who have made a generous donation of €500 towards let the Children Live Charity (street children) based in Colombia for the amount which came from the raffle taken up at the Senior Citizens party in December.

First Friday Calls to the sick and housebound will take place on Tues 27th in the Claran Area, Weds 28th Headford Town & Friday the 30th of January to the surrounding areas.

There will be a blessing of the throats, along with St. Brigid's crosses & candles after each Mass on Saturday 31st Jan & Sunday 1st of Feb.

Congratulations to all the children in second class of Headford N.S, Claran N.S and Cloughanover N.S who made their First Confessions this week.

Tuam Cancer Care Pop Up Shop takes place on Sat 28th Feb, 10am - 5pm & Sun 1st March 10am - 2pm, in Tuam Stars Gaa Club H54 XY05. Donations of new/excellent quality women's wear & shoes, accessories, gifts, handbags etc can be dropped to the Tuam Cancer Care Centre up until Saturday 21st Feb. Please support!

Dementia cafe continues on the 1st Tuesday of every month, Tacu Resource Centre, Ballinrobe from 11.30am to 1pm. The next one is on Tuesday the 3rd of February and the guest speaker will be Eilis Wall from Eilis Wall Wellness a Psychotherapist and Counsellor will be giving a talk on Stress management, Health and Well Being. All welcome and refreshments supplied. Contact Marie on 087 170 8706 for further details.

Poor Clares Galway: Half-Day Retreat for women 18-35 with Beth Davis of Blessed is She Ministries. An opportunity to encounter God's love and deepen your life of prayer and communion with God. The event will take place from 2pm to 6pm on Sunday the 1st of February. For more information and to register: https://cherisheddaughters.eventbrite.ie

Laetare Vigil - March 14 - Holy Family Mission, Glencomeragh: Join lay women of all ages, married and single, to unite in a day of prayer with women religious from over a dozen different orders—a unique experience not to be missed! Spaces limited: register now on **Eventbrite**.
Laetare Vigil Tickets, Sat 14 Mar 2026 at 09:30 | Eventbrite

Beautiful Words**:** a contemplative overnight retreat where poetry, scripture, silence and prayer meet. Takes place on January 24th and 25th at Knock Shrine. See www.knockshrine.ie for more info and booking details.

Celebrating St Brigid: Join a Museum curator at 12noon on Saturday 31 January to learn about traditions and objects associated with St Brigid, at the National Museum of Ireland, Turlough Park, Castlebar. Then enjoy some St Brigid's cross-making workshops at 2pm or 3.30pm. Telephone (094) 90 31751 or visit www.museum.ie for full booking details.

Spiritual Exercises: 5 Day Silent Ignatian Retreat for Men Led by Benedictine monks from St. Joseph Abbey, in France. Starts Thursday 30th April (3pm). Benburb Priory, Co. Tyrone). €450 (all meals & single room included). Daily Mass - Ordinary Form (Latin & ad orientem). Discover the strength that only comes when you stop running and let God speak. **Book at**: https://soutenir.clairval.com/retreat-benburb-priory

TheWay.ie 'the Way' is a digital multimedia platform set up by the Irish Bishops' Conference dedicated to sharing the Good News and the witness of the Catholic Church in Ireland**.** In the very early Church, the first believers were known as followers of 'the Way' (e.g. Acts 9:2). In answer to the question 'how can we know the way?' (John 14:5) Jesus declared that 'I am the Way, the Truth and Life.' This platform is intended to help people to know the Way – to discover the faith, live the faith and pass on the faith. It is for both seekers and followers. Together, we are led by Christ to be pilgrims of hope.

Anger Issues? Knock Counselling Centre, in conjunction with the Irish Association for Anger Management are running a two-day Anger Management Programme on Friday 27 February (5.30 pm to 9.00 pm) & Saturday 28th February (10.00 am to 3.30 pm) For further information, contact us on 094 93 75032 or email counsellingoffice@knockshrine.ie

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.

Pilgrimage to Fatima and Lisbon Coast: 7 nights (4+3); June 25th to July 2nd, 2026; With Spiritual Director; ex Dublin. For more details and booking Please Call: 012410800.

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.

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…

RADIO MARIA IRELAND continues to grow. As an Irish-run Catholic Talk-Radio Station we enjoy commercial free broadcasting - Prayer, Catechesis, Uplifting music, Talks, Interviews and Testimonies – do join our growing faith family! Here's how you can listen: Digital TV - Saorview Channel 210, Download our FREE App "RADIO MARIA IRELAND", Streaming on our WEBSITE - www.radiomaria.ie , our 'Listen Live Radio' link on our Facebook Page, PHONE – get live radio feed by calling +353 (0) 1 437 3277 (no extra charges apply). Why not drop a line to our Spiritual Director, Fr Des Farren by text on 089-4672000, by phone on 01-4123456, or come and pay us a visit at Radio Maria Ireland, St. Anthony's Business Park, Ballymount Road, Dublin 22. D22 R7W2

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**

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.

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.

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**