

SWINFORD MEELICK MIDFIELD
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6th – 13th Aug 2017

THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD

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| Saturday 5th | 6.30pm | Swinford: Pat & Nora Ginty, Cloonlumney Bob Doyle, Newpark & dec'd Doyle & Lynskey Families (The Vigil Mass will be partly read in Irish) |
| Sunday 6th | 9.00am | Swinford: Una & Tom Egan, Main St, Mary & John Feeney, Ballyglass & sons Gerry, Joe & J.P |
| Sunday 6th | 12 noon | Swinford: Eileen & Paddy Maloney, Collagh Mary Thompson-Breen, Rathunas & dec'd Breen & Thompson Families |
| Monday 7th | 10.00am | Swinford: Seamus O'Hagan & dec'd Family Eamonn Mulligan, Market Street |
| Monday 7th | 6.30pm | Swinford: Mass in Kilconduff Cemetery |
| Tuesday 8th | 10.00am | Swinford: Dec'd of the Groarke Family, Cloontubrid John & Ellen & John Junior, Seamus, Lily & Kathleen Martin & Winifred Mulroy, Lisheenabrone |
| Wednesday 9th | 10.00am | Swinford: Johnny & Mary Kneafsey, Kilkelly Rd & son Pat & son-in-law Daryl pugh Delia & Michael Haran & daughter Carmel Rainey & her husband Dominic |
| Thursday 10th | 10.00am | Swinford: Kathleen & Tony Brennan, Kilbride John & Annie Forde |
| Friday 11th | 10.00am | Swinford: Josephine Horkan & her sister Mary Frances Durr & her husband Gabriel Robert McCallion, Park Rd & grandparents, John & Rose Morley & John & Nora McCallion |
| Friday 11th | 6.30pm | Swinford: Mass in the Workhouse Cemetery, Dublin Rd |
| Saturday 12th | 10.00am | Swinford: Michael Mellett, Newpark & kilcummin (1 st anniv) |
| NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME | | |
| Saturday 12th | 6.30pm | Swinford: John & Winnifred Doyle, Lislackagh & daughter & Son-in-law Una & Denis Deacy, Ashgrove Paddy Oliver Tullinacurra & parents Patrick & Mary & his sister Mary & brother Mike |
| Sunday 13th | 9.00am | Swinford: People of the Parish |
| Sunday 13th | 12 noon | Swinford: Mary Ellen & Michael Stenson, Lisbrogan Kevin Groarke & dec'd Groarke & white Families |
| Sunday 6th | 10.00am | Meelick: Cemetery Mass |
| Sunday 13th | 10.00am | Meelick: Pat, Anne, Margaret Philbin & dec'd Family |
| Sunday 6th | 11.00am | Midfield: Tony Gibney & dec'd Family & Annie & Paddy McDonagh & sons Tom & Joe James & Delia Frain & daughter Nano Peyton & Son-in-law Jim Brennan |
| Saturday 12th | 11.00am | Midfield: Owen & Maureen Costello, Northampton/Curryane |
| Sunday 13th | 11.00am | Midfield: Tom Hanley & dec'd Family, Glenamaddy/Carnacul Martin Costello, Midfield |

Fr Dermot Meehan 094 9251790

Fr Gerard Davey 094 9252952

A word from Fr Dermot: As you may be aware, in the recently announced diocesan changes, Bishop Kelly has appointed Fr Gerry Davey as Administrator of Carracastle parish and he will take up residence in his new parish for the first weekend in September. As a parish community, I know you will join me in congratulating Fr Gerry on his new appointment and in offering him our prayerful good wishes as he takes up his new responsibilities.

We also say thanks to him for his gentle presence in our parish over the past five years and for the many ways he has contributed to the life of the community over those years.

Fr Gerry's appointment does have implications for our parish. As the diocese has no priest to replace him, from the first week in September there will be only one priest working full-time in this parish community. This is the unfortunate consequence of the decline in vocations. The diocese of Achonry has ordained only one priest in the past thirteen years and this summer's changes mean that while each of the twenty-three parishes has a resident priest, only two-the cathedral parish and Tubbercurry-now have a curate.

One priest serving the parish will necessitate some changes, especially in the schedule of weekend Masses. I will be discussing how best to make these changes with the Parish Pastoral Council in the coming weeks. Change is never easy so I ask, first of all, your prayers for guidance in deciding what changes to make and also your understanding and co-operation when it comes to implementing these changes. Thank you.

Please pray for Paudge Grealy, Rathscanlon, & Patrick Moran Lisbawn/London, May they rest in the peace of Christ.

We welcome in to the Christian community Aoife Grace Connelly, Sarsfield Crescent, Charlestown.

Congratulations and every blessing to Emma Foy and Barry Cosgrove who were married recently in Midfield Church.

Cemetery Mass in Kilconduff: Mass will be celebrated in Kilconduff Cemetery on Monday, August 7th at 6.30p.m. (weather permitting). As usual, to facilitate traffic flow, a one-way system will be in operation for those driving to the cemetery. Please go to the cemetery up the hill at Rathscanlon and leave under the bridge on to the Aclare Road. Thank you.

Siamsa agus Sraide: "Siamsa agus Scealta", is a pageant with music, song, dance, poetry and story which will be staged in the Culture Centre in Swinford at 8.30pm on August 7th. Admission is €5 Adults & €3 Children. There are no tickets on sale so come early to get a seat.

Cake sale: Swinford Agricultural Show fund raising cake sale on Sunday August 6th from 11am till 1.30pm at Daveys Market Street.

Séisiún with Bofield Ceilí Band: continues in Fr. Peyton Centre, Attymass for the summer season every Thursday. A Great evening of entertainment Show starts at 9pm.

50/50 draw: This week's draw was held in Melletts bar and Josephine Scanlon of Limerick won €420.

The winning ticket was sold in Melletts bar. Next draw is in the Gateway Hotel on the 8th August.

Gain confidence and skills: with the National Learning Network's free training courses. If you have an additional support need and are registered with the Department of Social Protection you could be entitled to free QQI courses.

Contact: Castlebar@nln.ie; (094) 9022770.

Heartfulness, Relaxation and Meditation: Monday August 14th at 7pm in the Parochial House Swinford. Free and open to all over 16 years. Contact 086- 0700681

Swinford A.C: Noreen & Monica King were last Tuesday night's winners of our 50/50 draw. Next draw takes place after the Siamsa run in swinford on Wednesday 9th August.