

*St. Patrick's Church, Kilmaine.
Church of the Assumption, Gortjordan.*

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Sunday April 2nd at 10am Kilmaine Church

Molly Harte (1st Anniv.)

Fr. John Fallon (2nd Anniv.)

Tony (Anniv.) Doherty & his parents Bridie & Tom, his brothers Gerry, Tony, Paddy and Murt & his sister Josie and his nephew Darragh Doherty.

Gretta Rhatigan (nee Wall) Kilkeran & the decd. members of the Wall family.

John & Julia Coyne Tullyduff.

Thursday April 6th 8pm Kilmaine Church

Mary Teresa Munroe (5th Anniv.)

Good Friday April 7th - Gortjordan 3pm Stations of the Cross

Good Friday April 7th 8pm Kilmaine

Holy Saturday April 8th Gortjordan 6pm

Easter Sunday 9th April Kilmaine Church 10am.

For the people of the parish.

Your prayers are requested for the repose of the soul Bridie Treacy, Frenchbrook and Declan Heneghan, New York and Rathgranagher and Seamus Kitson, Cavan (father of Shane Kitson). May they rest in peace.

Easter Mass arrangements

Apr. 6th Holy Thursday Kilmaine Church at 8pm Ballinrobe church at 7.30pm

Apr. 7th Good Friday Stations of the Cross: Gortjordan 3pm & Ballinrobe 3pm.

April 7th Good Friday Kilmaine: 8pm Easter Ceremony

April 8th Holy Saturday Gortjordan: Mass at 6pm Ballinrobe Mass at 8pm.

April 9th Easter Sunday Mass Kilmaine: 10am. Ballinrobe 11.30am.

We would like to congratulate the children from Kilmaine, Gortjordan and Ballycushion National Schools who were confirmed during the week, and we pray that the Holy Spirit will guide them and protect them as they journey through life.

The Parish Office, Ballinrobe is open from at 9am - 1pm Monday to Friday. All mass bookings can be made by phoning 094-9520598 and by leaving a message or emailing StMarysbrobe@gmail.com

Eucharistic Ministers Kilmaine: Apr. 2nd Kathleen Philbin. Apr. 9th Bernadette Horan.
Eucharistic Minister Gortjordan April: Phil Mullin.

Basket Collectors: March 26th John-Joe Hughes & Geraldine Burke April 2nd Patsy Shaughnessy & Bernadette Horan. April 9th Catherine Burke & Margaret Doherty.

The Tuam Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock, led by Archbishop Francis, will take place on Sunday, 7th May. Ceremonies commence at 2.30 p.m. with the sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick.

Ballycushion National School: Enrolment for the school year 2023/2024 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

Kilmaine Community Games wish to say a huge thank you to everyone that supported their church gate collection last Sunday, €306 was raised. All of the money collected will go towards children in the community to support their participation in the various community games activities.

Mayo Cancer Support Association will be holding a Church Gate Collection on the weekend of April 8 & 9 at Kilmaine Church. If anyone can volunteer to assist with the collection, please call Orla on (087) 8174546.

Over 60's active aging exercise class: takes place at the Lakeside Sports Centre, Ballinrobe every Saturday at 12noon. Cost is €4 per class booking by phoning 094-9541364 or on the Glofox App. All fitness levels are welcome.

*Worrying is like a rocking chair,
it gives you something to do but never gets you anywhere...*

Newsletters available as usual in Kilmaine and Gortjordan Churches and also in Centra Kilmaine.

A Lenten Prayer Called the Passion

Dear Lord Jesus, by Your Passion and Resurrection You brought life to the world. But the glory of the Resurrection came only after the sufferings of the Passion.

You laid down Your life willingly and gave up everything for us. Your body was broken and fastened to a Cross, Your clothing became the prize of soldiers, your blood ebbed slowly but surely away, and Your Mother was entrusted to the beloved disciple.

Stretched out on the Cross, deprived of all earthly possessions and human aid, You cried out to Your Father that the end had come. You had accomplished the work given You, and You committed into His hands, as a perfect gift, the little life that remained to You.

Lord, teach me to accept all afflictions after the example You have given. Let me place my death in Yours and my weakness in Your abandonment, take hold of me with Your love, that same foolish love that knew no limits, and let me offer myself to the Father with You so that I may rise with You to eternal life.

Prayer for Holy Week

Jesus my Lord, let me strengthen my courage by taking on the courage of all those people who have been "centurions" for me. Many have faced disasters and hard times with great constancy. The upper hand of misfortune never turned them against you. They kept going. Let me be like them, Lord. No matter what the cross, let me never stop declaring you to be "truly the Son of God, the source of my hope, the reason why I will never quit on life.

Good Friday Prayer

Lord God, Jesus cried out to you on the cross, "Why have you forsaken me?" You seemed so far from his cry And from his distress. Those who stood at the foot of the cross wondered where you were,
As they saw Jesus mocked and shamed and killed.
Where were you then? Lord God, We, too, ask where you are,
When there is trouble and suffering and death,
And we cry out to you for help. Be near to us and save us
So that we may praise you for your deliverance.
Lord God, we wait, on Friday, for the resurrection of
Sunday
And sometimes our lives seem a succession of Fridays
And we cannot see what is "Good."
Teach us to call your name as Jesus did.
Make us to trust in you like little children.
In Jesus' name, Amen.