***Keash/Culfadda Newsletter July 14th 2024***

***Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary time***

***Year B***

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**Masses from Keash & Culfadda Churches are Live streamed.**

**For more information visit our Website:** [**www.keashparish.ie**](http://www.keashparish.ie)

***Please note that the Webcam will be in operation in the Sanctuary area and it’s surrounds of both Churches within our parish.***

**St Kevin’s Church Keash.**

**Saturday 13th  6.30pm** Olive Langton, Tully.

**Wednesday 17th 10.00am** Special intention.

**Friday 19th 10.00am**  People of the parish.

**Saturday 20th 6.30pm** John Hannon, Dundee and formerly of Carrowcrory

(First Anniversary).

**Our Lady of the Rosary Church Culfadda.**

**Sunday 14th 10.00am** Vincent & Padraic Murray and their parents Vincent & Teresa,

Derrynagraug and the deceased members of the family.

**Monday 15th 10.00am.**

**Tuesday 16th 10.00am.**

**Sunday 21st 10.00am** Brian Shannon, Finisklin (Months mind).

**Readers.**

**Saturday 13th** Nathan Dwyer. **Sunday 14th** Damien Carty.

**Saturday 20th** William Henry. **Sunday 21st** Kieran Shannon.

**Recent Death.**

Your prayers are requested for Fr Peter Nealon (Leeds Diocese England and whose grandfather came from Carrowcrory) who funeral Mass will take place in St Malachy’s Church, Nursery Lane, Halifax HX35NS on Wednesday 17th July at 12 noon. May his soul rest in peace. Amen.

**Annual Cemetery Masses in Knockbrack & Templevanny.**

The Annual Mass in Knockbrack Cemetery will take place on Wednesday July 24th at 6.30pm. The Annual Mass in Templevanny Cemetery will take place on Friday July 26th at 6.30pm.

A collection for the upkeep of the cemetery will take place. Thanking everyone who has contributed in the past.

**Culfadda Community Centre.**  
We are absolutely delighted to announce that the new community centre is now in a position to open its doors for all types of events and activities. We would extend an invitation to everyone in the locality to make use of this facility and support any events in whatever way you can.  
It was always the goal to have a community centre for ALL the people, young and 'not so young' to enjoy.  
From day one the committee has put a lot of their time and effort into getting us to where we are and our chairman Kenneth Fox, especially needs to be commended for all the hundreds of hours work put in behind the scenes (realistically since January 2020), and through many difficult stages, to bring this project to where it is today.  
Initial inquiries in regards to bookings can be made here, on Facebook Messenger, on WhatsApp (Culfadda Community Centre) 087 4832762 or by calling 087 9932160 for further details.  
The community centre committee would like to point out that running costs of the centre are high due to insurance, electricity etc, and also a term loan, so we would appreciate any donations made towards the upkeep.  
Community centre hire prices agreed tonight will be posted shortly and a review will take place next year.  
Thank you all for your support so far and enjoy your new community centre.....!!!

**Keash on Garland Sunday Weekend – Update.**

**Keash on Garland Sunday Weekend. (change of Vigil Mass time).**

To facilitate the smooth running of the King of the Hill Run/Walk on Saturday evening July 27th the 6.30pm Vigil Mass will take place at the later time of 9.00pm.

**Preparations are well underway for our Keash on Garland Sunday Weekend.**

Starting on Saturday evening 27th July with our King of the Hill 10k/5k and Family Fun Walk. This year we have chosen to support our Local Voluntary Group namely Keash, Culfadda and Gurteen Community Defibrillator & First Responder Group which offer a service that is invaluable and close to our hearts. We would ask your help in supporting this event in whatever way you can.

Contact Martha Hannon (0879550511) Caroline Queenan (0876169427) or Noel Cryan (087781291) if you can help in any way.  Calling all Bakers, your talents are required.  Baking goods can be dropped to the White Hall on Saturday evening after 6 p.m. or contact any of the Committee Members.

Our Sunday Event is also taking place on Sunday 28th with the usual events happening. Again this year our Raffle is on the field with First Prize a Trailer of Turf.  Tickets cost €2.00 each or 3 for €5.00.  We would ask for Donations of Bags of Turf prior to Garland Sunday, Please contact Pat Ward on 071-8183406.

**Our next Garland Sunday Meeting** will be held in the White Hall at 9.00pm on Thursday 18th July. As this will probably by our final meeting, it is important that all Committee Members will be there and anybody who helps out on the day should also be there.  New Members are always welcome.

**Coleman Music Centre – Upcoming event.**

Shebeen Concert on July 24th at 8pm, Coleman Music Centre, Gurteen, Co. Sligo. We have a super line up of musicians including Pat Sweeney, Peggy McHale, John Dwyer and special guests PJ Hernon & Fiachra Guihen. Bookings 071 9182599 Adm €15. [www.colemanirishmusic.com](http://www.colemanirishmusic.com).

**Coleman Community Cinema.**

Coleman Music Centre, Gurteen, Co. Sligo F56 TF88 – Sat, 27th July at 2.30pm we will be showing the Huge box office Hit ~ KUNG FU PANDA 4. Treat bags are available. Adm €5. 1 adult per family goes free.

***Extract from* *Bishops’ pastoral letter***

**‘Freedom to Live Fully, Until Death Comes’**

**“Assisted suicide” would undermine confidence of terminally ill**.

It is argued by some that the provision of “assisted suicide” is simply about respecting the autonomy of the individual over his or her own life. Once life is taken away, however, autonomy is also taken away. The Church does not and never has insisted on the use of extraordinary means to prolong life. Nor is there any moral obligation on a sick person to accept treatment which they feel is unduly burdensome. A decision to end life prematurely, however, cuts off any prospect of growth or healing and represents a failure of hope. It is surely far better when a person’s freedom to live is affirmed and supported by a compassionate community of care. Even leaving aside the vision of faith, individual autonomy is not absolute, and consideration must be given to the impact of legislation on the common good, as well as on the individual. By legislating for assisted suicide or euthanasia, the State would contribute to undermining the confidence of people who are terminally ill, who want to be cared for and want to live life as fully as possible until death naturally comes.

People who are dying are entitled to be accompanied in a holistic way. We believe that palliative care services need to be more widely available, in hospitals and hospices and in the community. Pope Francis says: “We must accompany people towards death, but not provoke death or facilitate any form of suicide”. “Care for life is therefore the first responsibility that guides the physician in the encounter with the sick” and the duty of care applies “not only when the restoration to health is a realistic outcome, but even when a cure is unlikely or impossible.” It is often very difficult to accompany those who are suffering near the end of life. All the more reason, then, for Society to make sufficient resources available for the integral care of the dying, so that no one is made to feel that either suffering, or caring, is unbearable.