

Parish of Cloonclare-Killasnett (Manorhamilton-Glencar-Mullies)

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Sunday 18th January 2026 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

St. Clare's Church, Manorhamilton

1. Masses: Tue. Wed. & Fri. 10.00 am, No Mass Monday & Thursday morning, Sun. 11.30 am
2. Mass Intentions:
Sun. 18th January at 11.30 am: Angela Judge
Mick Duffy, Amorset.
Tue. 20th at 10.00 am: Special Intention
Fri. 23rd at 10.00 am: Special Intention.
Sun. 25th at 11.30 am: Kathleen Dolan, Castle Street. Month's Memory.

St. Osnat's Church Glencar

1. Masses: No Mass Friday at 7.00 pm Saturday 6.00 pm.
2. Mass Intentions:
Sat. 17th January at 6.00 pm: Pauline, Sean, John & Margaret Curneen, Drumdillure.
Fergus Mitchell, Shanvaus.
Sat. 24th at 6.00 pm: James "Pat" Boylan, New York and formerly Mulcaun.
3. Eucharistic Adoration: Monday 7.00 pm – 8.00 pm
4. Diffren National School Enrolment Afternoon for prospective pupils and their families on Monday 26th January at 1.15 pm. If you can't make this day or would like any further information, please contact principal@diffreenns.ie or call 083-3018594.

Church of The Annunciation Mullies

1. Masses: Thur. 7.00 pm Sunday 9.00 am
2. Mass Intentions:
Sun. 18th January at 9.00 am: People of the Parish.
Thur. 22nd at 7.00 pm: Special Intention.
Sun. 25th at 9.00 am: Free for Intention.
3. Eucharistic Adoration: Thursday after 7.00 pm Mass.

Offertory Collections:

St. Clare's Church Manorhamilton: 4th & 11th January - €3653.35
St. Osnat's Church Glencar: 6th January - €109, 10th January - €433.40
Church of the Annunciation Mullies: 4th January - €217, 6th January - €84.60 11th January - €356.60

Pray for :

(Kathleen)Philomena Clancy, Tullyskearney, whose funeral took place on Monday
May the Lord grant her eternal rest and console her bereaved family, relatives & friends.

Thought for the Week

"May your day be filled with good thoughts, kind people, and happy moments."

Parish Notices

All Masses are streamed live from St. Clare's Church on Church tv.ie-Leitrim – Manorhamilton. Weekly Newsletter can be viewed on Churchtv.ie- Leitrim-Manorhamilton & on the Website & Facebook

Reflection: Jesus and John the Baptist, dominate the opening chapter of John's Gospel where He is revealed as Word made flesh and the Lamb of God. Both are crucial for an understanding of who he is and what he does. The first of the characters is Jesus. In the chapter, John the Baptist is quoted as having made one of the most remarkable professions of faith that is recorded in the New Testament. During his preaching, on seeing Jesus in the distance, he said to his listeners: 'Look, there is the lamb of God that takes away the sin of the world'. We are reminded of the words spoken by the priest before the distribution of Holy Communion at Mass: 'This is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world. Happy are those who are called to his supper.' But John's profession of faith did not stop with that affirmation of Jesus. He elaborated further and then concluded: 'Yes, I have seen and I am the witness that he is the Chosen One of God'. It is clear that John the Baptist had a definite understanding of Jesus' identity by using the image of the lamb. Jesus would be the one to destroy sin and thus bring salvation to the world. He wanted to make clear the distinction between the Saviour and himself, whose task was to prepare the people for the great saving work of Jesus.

Celebrating Catholic Schools Week: The theme for Catholic Schools Week 2026 is '**Normal Lives, called to Holiness**'. "Holiness does not mean performing extraordinary things, but doing ordinary things with love and faith" This year's theme invites pupils, teachers, families, and parishes to explore the call of holiness as something both universal and accessible. Holiness is not for a few, but for every student, teacher, parent and grandparent living each day in friendship with Jesus Christ. Catholic Schools Week 2026 will be celebrated from **Sunday 18th January to Sat. 24th January**. We pray for and support our local Catholic schools so that, together with us, the parish community, they will be alive with the joy and hope that is Christ. Jesus Christ calls us together as a living faith community so that our schools, parish and families may support and animate one another. There is a special thought for each day. **Monday: 'Called to Holiness through Prayer'** Holiness begins with a relationship with God. Children will learn that prayer is the lifeblood of that relationship – from silent moments to joyful praise, from formal prayers to personal words shared with Jesus. **Tuesday: 'Called to Holiness through Love and Friendship'** Holiness is lived in love of neighbor, in kindness, forgiveness, and friendship. Inspired by the words of Jesus, "Love one another as I have loved you". **Wednesday: 'Called to Holiness in Family Life - Grandparents Day.** A cherished tradition, this day honours the vital role grandparents and elders play in passing on the faith and in showing how holiness can be lived over a lifetime. Pupils will be encouraged to show gratitude and celebrate their family roots. **Thursday: 'Called to Holiness through Service and Courage'** Young people will explore how self-giving love and courage in the face of challenges form part of holiness. Stories of saints who served the poor, forgave their enemies, or stood up for what is right will be shared. **Friday: 'Called to Holiness through Joy and Mission'** Holiness is not grim but joyful. The final day focuses on the joy of the Gospel and how young people are called to be missionary disciples who share Christ through action and word in the world.

Visitation of Houses: If anybody in the Parish would like a visit from the Priests or Deacon, especially the sick or housebound, please do not hesitate to let us know and we would be delighted to call. Contact the Parochial House or Fr John, Fr Rodney or Deacon Padraig.

Church Concert in Aid of Lourdes Pilgrimage Fund: Gospel and Country singer **Owen Mac and Band** will perform a Concert in St. Clare's Church, Manorhamilton on **Sunday 26th April 2026 at 8pm**. The Concert is to raise funds for the Assisted Pilgrims who will be going to Lourdes on May 5th this year. Please support if you can. **Tickets** are €20 each and are available from the parochial House Manorhamilton. Fr John.

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2026: The theme for the week this year: "**There is one body and one Spirit, just as there is one hope to which God has called you**" (Eph 4:4). The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity began in 1908 as the **Octave of Christian Unity**, and focused on prayer for Church unity. The Week of Prayer is traditionally observed from the **18th to the 25th January** – the octave of St. Peter and St. Paul.

Manorhamilton Historical Society, the Society has organised a workshop for 22nd January 2-5 PM in the Bee Park Centre; The purpose of the workshop is to decide on how we want to develop the historical archive of material currently in people's houses and put it in a format to make it publicly available.

The Dominican Academy Dance School is holding a Tractor and vintage car run on Sunday 1st February 2026 at the Rainbow Ballroom of Romance, Glenfarne, Co Leitrim with Seamus Moore (The JCB Man) as special Guest leading off the Tractor Run at 12.30. Coffee morning and cake sale at 11am and raffle on the day - Pig on the spit and entertainment and Irish Dancing throughout the day. All proceeds going towards the children who qualified to attend the CLRG World Championships in Chicago March 2026

The highly-acclaimed Irish comedy '3 Hail Mary's' Written by Tommy Marren and starring local lady's Deirdre Ryan and Eileen Slevin is coming to Kiltyclogher Community Centre on Friday 6th and Saturday 7th February at 8pm.

Ecumenical Service St. Clare's Church 7.30 pm on Thursday 22nd January. Can you spare 40 minutes to join all Christian traditions in prayer and worship marking Christian unity Week.