

## In the Desert

Lord Jesus,  
we would rather see you strong  
than hungry and weak.  
Forty days alone,  
no miracles, no eager crowds,  
no friendly space to buoy you up,  
no companion but the Evil One.

Here alone,  
you are a weary man,  
tired by the daily strain,  
at the limits of your strength.



*"Turn these stones into bread."*

Were there days like desert stones,  
when you walked in waterless  
places,  
and grew weary doing good?

*"Throw yourself down..."*

Were there days  
when the journey step by step,  
simple words and simple deeds,  
hardly seemed to make a  
difference?

By the mystery of your temptation  
in the desert,  
Lord Jesus, have mercy on us.

**Fr Victor Hoagland CP**

## "Way Of the Cross"

Fr Steve Gibson's talks on the Way  
of the Cross will start on Thurs.  
next **25th February at 8pm** in the  
Fr Peyton Centre, when he will  
lead us in reflecting on the first 4  
Stations:

1. Jesus in Condemned to Death
2. Jesus Takes Up His Cross
3. Jesus Falls The First Time
4. Jesus Meets His Mother

The talks continue on Thur. 4th,  
11th & 18th March. These  
meditations are an ideal  
preparation for the Great Week -  
Holy Week and Easter.

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## Enrolment Dates at St Muredach's College

Sat. 27 Feb 10.30am—12.30pm

Mon 1 Mar 7.00pm - 9.00pm.

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## "Temper Your Anger"

Uncontrolled anger can cost you  
your marriage, your job, your  
relationships & the respect of your  
loved ones. The Irish Assoc. of  
Anger Management is running a  
two day intensive programme  
called "Temper Your Anger" on  
**Sat. 24 & Sun. 25 April** at the  
Radisson Hotel, Sligo. Call 087-798  
9253 for further information.

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# NEWSLETTER

Church of  
**The Immaculate Conception & St Joseph**

Attymass

**Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**15th February 2010**

Website: [www.attymass.ie](http://www.attymass.ie)

Mobile: [www.attymass.ie/mobile](http://www.attymass.ie/mobile)



**Church of  
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**Mass Intentions**

Sun. 10.30am People of the Parish  
 Mon. 9.30am Pat, Winifred & John  
 Foy, Graffy  
**Tue. 7.30pm** Dan & Sarah Gaughan  
 Byhalla  
 Wed. 9.30pm Private Intention  
 Thur 9.30am Mary & Willie Corcoran  
 Kelly Family (D)  
**Fri. 7.30pm** Jim & Ann Melody  
 Sat. 12 noon Sean Mulherin M. Mind  
**Sat. 7.30pm** Paddy Walsh

**Ministers Next Week-End**

**Sat. 27 February 7.30pm Mass**

Reader: Christine Tolan  
 E. Ministers Peggy Mulherin  
 Martina Mulherin

**Sun. 28 February 10.30am Mass**

Reader: Padraic Walsh  
 E. Ministers Maura Tolan

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Prayers are requested for the repose of **Vincent Mulherin**, Ballycong, who died on Sat. 20th February. May he rest in peace. Funeral arrangements later. Sincere condolences to the bereaved.

**Holy Cross Canonisation**  
**Blessed Andre Bessette, a Holy Cross brother and a native of Canada, will be canonised in Rome by Pope Benedict XVI 17 October 2010.**

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**Visitor from Belarus**

A nun from Minsk in Belarus will be in Attymass on **Thur. 25 Feb. at 9.30am**. She will have on sale Icons, Crucifixes, souvenirs, CDs etc made in their convent. All proceeds raised will be used to fund their work with the mentally ill & mentally handicapped.

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**Fr Peyton Memorial Centre**

**Tuesday 23 February Mass at 12.15 Martin Boyle (D)**  
**Friday 26 " " " " Michael Garrett (D)**  
**Opening Hours: Monday to Friday 10am to 5.30pm**

**Community Meetings**

**Tuesday 23rd February**

**8.30pm** Parish Pastoral Council meets in the Sacristy.

**Wednesday 24th February**

**7.30pm** Safeguarding Children Training Course in the Fr Peyton Centre.

**9.00pm** Card Game in the Old School. All proceeds in aid of the Community Centre.

**Thursday 18th February**

**8.00pm** "The Way of the Cross" Reflections in the Fr Peyton Centre

**Launch of Grove Booklet**

Michael Commins of MWR will launch a booklet on the history of the Grove Ballroom in Gallagher's Village Tavern on **Monday 22 February at 8.30pm**. Music by Michael Fox. Bonniconlon Show Committee's winning of the Meitheal Award will be celebrated also on the same occasion.

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**Lost**

A parishioner had lost an earring of great sentimental value. It has a pearl like centre with gold coloured petals. Finder should contact the Parish House.

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**Mayo Autism Action**

The recent church gate collection in aid of Mayo Autism Action raised **€320.00**. The organisers thank all who contributed.

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**Moyné College Enrolment**

Enrolment of New Students, Transfer & PLC Students takes place on **Fri. 26th February 5pm - 8pm** and **Sat. 27th February 11am - 1pm**. Further information from 21472 or 21140.

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**Offertory Collection**

**14th February €887.00**