

## Bishop-Elect Brendan Kelly

Monsignor Brendan Kelly, who will be consecrated Bishop of Achonry on the last Sunday of January 2008, was born at Derrybrien, Loughrea, Co. Galway, on 20th May 1946, and was baptized there on 26th May 1946. He is the son of the late Anne and Sean Kelly, NT, and the second in a family of nine children.

Following his early education at Craughwell National School, he attended St. Mary's College, Galway from 1959-1964. He began his studies for the priesthood at St. Patrick's College, Maynooth in 1964 and was ordained a priest for the Diocese of Galway by the Most Rev Michael Browne in Galway Cathedral on 20th June 1971.

While at Maynooth he was awarded the degree of Bachelor of Arts and that of Bachelor of Divinity, and he later obtained his Higher Diploma in Education at University College Galway in 1973.

Mgr Kelly, who is a native speaker of Irish, taught for

several years in a number of secondary schools including St Enda's College, Galway & Our Lady's College, Gort, where he served as president. During 1995-96 he was chaplain in France to a L'Arche Community for people with disabilities.

Later, he was appointed parish priest of Lisdoonvara, Co. Clare. From 2003 until the present day he has been Parish Priest of Spiddal, Co Galway.

In 2005 he was also appointed Vicar General of the Diocese of Galway by the Most Rev Martin Drennan, and on 6 March 2006, Pope Benedict XVI conferred upon him the honour of Chaplain of His Holiness.

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# NEWSLETTER

Church of  
The Immaculate Conception & St Joseph,  
Attymass

Feast of Christ the King

25th November 2007

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



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

Sun. 10.30am People of the Parish

Mon. 9.30am Holy Souls

**Tue. 7.30pm Nora Tolan**

Wed. 9.30pm Holy Souls

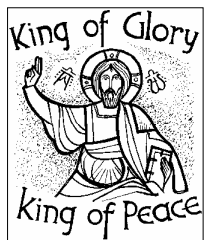
Thur. 9.30am Holy Souls

**Fri. 7.30pm Mary Boland, Carrow-  
Macbrine, Easkey**

Sat. 9.30am Holy Souls

**Sat. 8.00pm Mary Hannon, MI &  
Bridget Munnally**

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**Advent Prayer Vigil**

There will a Prayer Vigil in Atty-  
mass Church on Wed. 5 Decem-  
ber 8 -10pm, open to all in the  
Cluster Parishes to pray that the  
true spirit of Christmas will pre-  
vail in our homes & our parishes.

**Fr. Mulligan 096-45095**  
**Mobile 086-8181345**  
**Fr. Peyton Centre 096-45374**  
**Fax 096-45375**

**Annual Christmas Party**

The annual Parish Christmas  
Party will take place in the Fr  
Peyton Centre on **Saturday 15th  
December**, beginning with the  
celebration of Mass at 1.00pm.

*As always, a great day is guaran-  
teed!*

All who wish to take part are  
asked to sign their names on a  
form which will be available after  
Mass this week-end. It is impor-  
tant to return the **Reply Slip** by  
**Monday 10th December**. It may  
be placed in the designated box at  
the back of the church or given  
to any member of the organising  
committee.

In this way the organisers hope  
to get a good estimate of the  
numbers that will attend.

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**Sale of Church Slates**

A quantity of old church slates  
has recently been sold raising  
€575.00 for church funds. A large  
amount of slates are still avail-  
able. These measure 26 inches X  
14 inches. **Enquiries to 087-  
6295726.**

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**Open Day at Holy Hill**

Holy Hill Hermitage, Skreen has  
an Open-Day on Sunday 2nd De-  
cember. Mass at 12 noon. Tea &  
biscuits will be served after Mass.

A time of reflection about 2.15pm.  
all welcome.

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**Fr Peyton Memorial Centre**

**Mass Intention**

Tue. 27th Nov. at 12.15pm Deceased of Attymass Active Retired Group.  
**Opening Hours: Mon to Fri 10am to 5.30pm**  
*Sat 12 noon to 5.30pm Sun 2pm to 5.30pm*

**Community Meetings**

**Monday 26th November**

**8.30pm:** 'Preparing for Baptism'  
A discussion open to all from  
the Cluster Parishes.

**Wednesday 28th November**

**9.00pm :** Card Game in the  
Community in aid of new Com-  
munity Centre.

**Gratefully Acknowledged**

The organisers of Friday night's  
function - marking the retire-  
ment of Beattie & Ted Hughes -  
wish to thank most sincerely the  
parish organisations concerned  
for their co-operation & generos-  
ity. A special word of apprecia-  
tion to Pat Boyle for providing  
the music & to all who helped  
prepare & serve the food.

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**Sale of Work**

The Annual Christmas Sale of  
Work in aid of the Fr Peyton  
Centre will take place on **Sun-  
day 9 December**. Not to be  
missed!

**MOY VILLA LOTTO**

Number Drawn: 12, 14, 21, 28  
No Jackpot winner.  
Drawn 3 Numbers:  
**Stephen Smyth, Kilgellia**  
**Mary Smyth,**  
**Tom Gallagher**  
**Stephen Killeen, Ballina**  
Next week's J/pot will be  
€2,300.

**Let Love Shine a Light**

Anyone wishing to sponsor a  
light, in memory of a loved one,  
on the Mayo Roscommon Christ-  
mas Tree in front of the Appari-  
tion Chapel, Knock should call  
094-9388666 or fill out the leaflet  
at the back of the church. There  
will be a Tree Lighting Ceremony  
on Sun. 9 Dec at 5.45pm. There  
will be an Ecumenical Service on  
sun. 13th January at 3.45pm in St  
John's Rest & Care.

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**OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS**

**17th & 18th Nov.. €817.50**