



Glencolmcille FOLK VILLAGE



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Interesting Facts

The history of Glencolmcille and the Fr Mc Dyer story is told at the Folk Village.

5,000-6,000 years ago the first known settlers arrived in Glencolmcille.

1746 Bonny Prince Charlie took refuge in Glencolmcille for one month after the battle of Culloden.

In 1926 Rockwell Kent the famous American painter lived in Glenlough Glencolmcille for a year.

1935 Dylan Thomas the Welsh Poet came to Glencolmcille and was inspired to write great poetry.

Sir Arnold Bax the British composer built a cottage beside the Folk Village.

What the Visitor says about The Folk Village;

Fantastic insight into Irish coastal life over the ages.

Beautiful location-Authentic Ireland.

A great way to spend a couple of hours.

Poignant picture of Hard times.

A Cultural Gem.

Fr. James Mc Dyer was "ahead of his time".

Check out Oideas Gael, Ireland By Bike, Sliabh Liag Boat trips, Sliabh Liag tours, Slieve League Lodge and Curran Travel.



Satellite GPS coordinates are:

North 54 degrees
42.446' minutes
West 8 degrees
44.429' minutes

Uaireanta Oscailte Opening Times

Easter until the end of October
Monday to Saturday 10.00 to 18.00

Sundays 11.00 to 18.00 July and August
Sundays 12.00 to 18.00 Low season.

October
Monday to Saturday 11.00 to 17.00
Sunday 12.00 to 17.00



Iarsmalann

Traditional thatched cottages

Turais treoirithe nó féin-treoirithe

Guided or self-guided tours

Teach Tae

Tea House

Siopa ceardaíochta

Craft Shop

Eolas áitiúil

Local informatio



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Glencolmcille Folk Village Museum
Gleann Cholm Cille, Contae Dhún na nGall

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The Folk Village

Fr. James Mc Dyer came to Glencolmcille in December 1951. When he arrived there he saw that the region was suffering from a lack of employment and as a consequence, emigration was taking place.

Determined to help the area he campaigned persistently for basic utility services. He was successful and consequently, electricity was installed. The International student work camp was later established and during the 1960's the students worked tirelessly on the piped water scheme which they completed successfully.

Factories were built and the area was also marketed as a tourist destination. Fr. James Mc Dyer effectively put Glencolmcille on the map and the Glencolmcille Folk Village Museum which he founded in 1967 is part of his great legacy. The museum was built by local volunteers and the artefacts were donated by the local people. Each cottage depicts the various centuries. They are well kept and look lived in.



Fr Mc Dyer



Inside the Fisherman's Cottage

Relive old Ireland

Our Folk Village comprises of the following:

- 1700's Cottage, 1800's cottage & 1900's cottage
- Audiovisual on Fr. James Mc Dyer.
- Traditional Pub/Grocers.
- Fisherman's cottage.
- School House which includes a display of local photography.
- Display on Glencolmcille's 5,000 year history.
- Tourist information.
- Beach, Car park.
- Nature walk / Historical Trail.
- Family and wheelchair friendly.
- Guided or self guided tours.



Our Excellent Tour Guides



A wide selection of local crafts

Craft shop

Specialises in local crafts, some examples are:

- Local Knitwear, Seaweed rosary beads.
- Carrageen and Dillisk.
- Hand-woven goods, crochet lace.
- Patchwork bags, creels.
- Miniature Dolmens and cronies.
- Local fiddle music, and much much more.
- Craft demonstrations.

Come & see us spinning, knitting & making St Brigid's crosses!



In memory of Jimmy



Tea House

Traditional homemade soup & brown bread.
Sandwiches, toasties & paninis.
Apple tart, tea brack & scones.
Tea, Ground Coffee, decaf, Irish Coffees,
Cappuccinos, Lattes.
Minerals and Ice creams.

Groups please book in advance

