

# Canon conferred with an honorary Masters



Canon Micheal O Flannabhra pictured with Dr. James Browne, President, NUI Galway. Standing behind are, from left: Canon O Flannabhra's brother Padraic and his wife June, his brothers Canon John and Canon Seamus Flannery, Peadar Mac an Iomlaire, introducer, Pam Flannery, daughter of Padraic and June and Thecla Flannery, sister of Canon O Flannabhra.

**NORTH Galway native Canon Micheal O Flannabhra was conferred with an honorary Master of Rural Development Degree at NUI Galway last week.**

Born in Milltown, Canon Micheal O Flannabhra was educated in St. Jarlath's College in Tuam and in St. Patrick's College in Maynooth where he was ordained in 1960.

Canon O Flannabhra was honoured in recognition of his enormous contribution over the past five decades to the rural development of the Connemara area through his establishment of co-operatives, Youth Clubs, Group Water Schemes, Gaelic Games pitches and his campaign for University education through Irish for the Gaeltacht.

President of NUI Galway, Dr James J. Browne, said: "NUI Galway is fortunate to be associated with many outstanding honorary graduates throughout its history. Today we are proud to honour Canon Micheal O Flannabhra for his contribution to rural development and education in the West of Ireland. NUI Galway is very pleased to be in a position to recognise his exceptional achievements and commitment to the region."

In addition, degrees, higher diplomas, Masters and PhDs were awarded to students graduating over the three days from the College of Medicine, Nursing and Health Sciences; College of Engineering and Informatics; College of Business, Public Policy and Law; College of Science; and the College of Arts, Social Sciences and Celtic Studies.



Colm O'Donnell, Termea, Lettermore, with his mother Mary and niece Aine Marie, after he was conferred with a Masters Degree in Modern Irish at NUI Galway



Pictured at the recent Bachelor of Arts in Community and Family Studies Conferring ceremony were (l-r): Ellis McInerney from the Claddagh, Galway; Linda Dermody from Eyrecourt, Co. Galway; Tommy Flaherty from Ballybane, Galway; and Vivienne Rooney from Killee, Co. Clare.



Pictured at the recent Bachelor of Arts in Community and Family Studies Conferring ceremony were (l-r): Rita Mella from Athenry, Deirdre Hardiman and Helen Casey, Programme Managers at NUI Galway; Elmar Forde, Programme Administrator, NUI Galway; Ellis McInerney from Claddagh, and Deirdre Hillary, from Ballintemple, Cork City.



Sarah Martyn, Monivea, with her parents John and Ita, sister Anna and Brian Deveney, after she was conferred with a B.Sc in Nursing at NUI Galway.



Aisling Nic Dhonnacha, Carraroe, with her parents Michael and Bridie, after she was conferred with a MA in Nua-Ghaeilge at NUI Galway.



Shauna Coll, Athenry, with her parents John and Theresa, after she was conferred with a B.Sc Degree in Occupational Therapy at NUI Galway.



Valerie Coghlan from Ballinasloe, Rose Fahey-Stafford from Gort, and Noma thamsanqa Ncube from Roscam, Galway at the recent Bachelor of Arts in Community and Family Studies Conferring ceremony.



Elaine Kavanagh, Deirdre Rabbitte and Rita Mella, all from Athenry, at the recent Bachelor of Arts in Community and Family Studies Conferring ceremony



Kristine Coffey, Athenry, with lecturer Rena Lyons and her mother Dolores Coffey, after she was conferred with a B.Sc honours Degree in Speech Therapy at NUI Galway.



Dr. Karen Duffy of Hazelwood, Castlegar, pictured with her husband Dr. Kelth Madden and their children Eoghan and Emma and her parents Cormac and Breda, after she was conferred with the degree of M. B. A. at NUI Galway.



Jean Scarry, Salthill and Marion Lyons, Limerick, were conferred with a B.Sc in Occupational Therapy at NUI Galway.



Valerie Kelly, Kilmadeema, Loughrea, with her parents Anthony and Mary Ida, after she was conferred with a Masters in Psychology at NUI Galway



Stephen Byrne, Oughterard, Rossa Coleman, Oranmore, and Roberto Basavilbaso, Moycullen, all of whom were conferred with the degree of M. Sc. in Information Systems Management with First Class Honours at NUI Galway



Caroline Price, Clifden, with her mother Margaret, after she was conferred with a H.Diploma in Nursing.



Deirdre Kenna from Milltown and Michael Stapleton from Loughrea at the recent Bachelor of Arts in Community and Family Studies Conferring ceremony



Mairin Ni Cheldigh from Spiddal and Memle UI Chualain from Inverin at the recent Bachelor of Arts in Community and Family Studies Conferring ceremony.



Lyndia Donnellan, Craughwell and Louise Hepworth, Merlin Park, after they were conferred with a Post Graduate diploma in Clinical Teaching at NUI Galway.



Michael and Geraldine Kelly from Ballinasloe with their son Shane K after he was conferred with the degree of M. Sc., Information Systems Management, at NUI Galway.



Slobhan Loftus, Castlebar, was conferred with a B.Sc Degree in Nursing at NUI Galway.



Sarah Higgins, Tuam, with her parents Noel and Rosh Higgins, after she was conferred with B.Sc in Nursing at NUI Galway. Also in the picture is Dr Jim Browne, College President.



Nikki Dwyer, Ballina, with her mother Kay after she was conferred with a Masters in Psychology at NUI Galway



Larry Page from Shanbally, Craughwell, pictured with his mother Evelyn Morris, his son Eoghan and Marta Wartalska after he was conferred with the degree of M. Sc. Information Systems Management.



Nicola Marren, Tubbercurry; Anne Marie O'Brien, Eyrecourt; Mary Blade, Belclare and Paulline Cooley, Athenry after being conferred with a Post Graduate Nursing Diploma at NUI Galway.



Niall Cunningham from Claregalway pictured with his wife Kay and his parents Maureen and Ed after he was conferred with the degree of M. B. A. at NUI Galway.



Tara Morris from Belclare pictured with her parents Dermot and Mary and her aunt Eileen Morris, after she was conferred with the degree of M. Sc., Information Systems Management, at NUI Galway.