

OUGHTERAGH & DRUMREILLY LOWER PARISH NEWSLETTER

Aughawillan - Aughnasheelin - Ballinamore & Corraleehan

14th June 2026

11th Sunday Ordinary Time

14th June St Davnet, 19th June St Romuald, Bl. Dermot O'Hurley, 20th June Irish Martyrs

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BALLINAMORE - ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH

Mass times: Sat & Sun 11am, Mon & Wed 7pm, Tues, Thur & Fri 9am

Mass Intentions

Sat 13th June 11am Michael Martin (Aghadark) and deceased family members

Sun 14th June 11am People of the Parish

Sat 20th June 11am No Intention

Sun 21st June 11am Gerard Dooner

Francis Duignan and deceased family members

Wed 24th June 7pm Christopher Cody

Donations to St Anthony's Box of €607 paid forward to Capuchin Missions, with thanks, Br Joe Gallagher OFM

Eucharistic Adoration: (Fridays 9:30am – 10:30am, all are welcome)

Ministers of the Eucharist: 14th June Maeve Sharpley, Mona Creamer & Eilis O'Dell, 21st June Alice Costello, Raymond McHugh & Marcella McKiernan, 28th June Evelyn McHugh, Marian Sharpley & PJ McLoughlin

Ministers of the Word: 14th June John Darcy, 21st June Siobhan Dolan, 28th June Alan Banks 5th July Leigh Murphy

Door Collectors: 14th June Seamus McTague, PJ Duignan, Michael Gillen & Eugene Maxwell, 21st & 28th June Felim Maxwell & John Galligan.

AUGHNASHEELIN

ST. MARY'S CHURCH

Mass times: Fri 7pm, Sat 8:15pm

Mass Intentions

Fri 12th June 7pm Deceased members of the Conway and Leonard families, Foxwood

Sat 13th June 8:15pm Tom & Mary Prior (Stralongford), their daughter Mary Varilly & deceased family members

Fri 19th June 7pm Molly & Francie Darcy (Meenahill) and Pearl Hall and all deceased family members

Sat 20th June 8:15pm Farrell & Anna O'Rourke (Corrabeegher)

Patrick Mulvey & Teresa Boland (Corrabeegher)

Eucharistic Adoration: (Wednesdays, 11am – 12 noon and 8pm – 10pm)

Eucharistic Ministers: 13th June Terence Boyle & Kealen Mulvanerty, 20th & 27th June Mary Rooney & Breda Mulvanerty

Ministers of the Word: Kerry Meehan & Siobhán Earley

Door Collectors: Brendan Sammon, Brendan Meehan & Niall Faughnan

CORRALEECHAN

ST. BRIGID'S CHURCH

Mass times: Sat 12non & 7pm, Wed 9:30am

Mass Intentions

Sat 13th June 12noon Hugh Patrick Prior (1st Anniversary)

Sat 13th June 7pm No Intention

Sat 20th June 7pm Michael & Teresa Maguire (Drumderg)

John & Katie Carthy (Clogher), their son Pat Joe and all deceased family members

John Joe Duignan (Clogher) and all deceased family members

Eucharistic Adoration: (Wednesdays 10am – 8pm, please come along and join us)

Eucharistic Ministers: Annie McManus & Teresa Maxwell

Ministers of the Word: Damien Gilheany & Tracy McTague

Door Collectors: Pat Joe McNiff & Damien Gilheany

AUGHAWILLAN

ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH

Mass time: Sun 9:45am

Mass Intentions

Sun 14th June 9:45am Jim McKiernan (Sradrinan) and all deceased family members

Sun 21st June 9:45am Michael (Mickey) Flanagan, (Months Mind)

Eucharistic Ministers: Damien Conefrey & Patricia Deane

Door Collectors: Pat McCauley & Peter Quinn

Altar Society: Mairéad O'Flaherty & Mary Farrell Quinn

Ministers of the Word: Mary Quinn & Róisín Sexton Smith

RECENT DEATHS: We pray for Thomas (Tom Joe) Cafferty, formally Stralongford, Aughnasheelin who passed away in Luton on Tuesday morning 9th June. (Brother of Austin, Noel and Maureen Cafferty). May he rest in peace.

WEDDING BELLS: Congratulations and best wishes to Nicole Clarke and Luke Murphy who were recently united in the sacrament of marriage.

CHURCH FLOWERS: during the summer months we are looking for some help from interested people to tend to the altar flowers in Ballinamore church. Anybody who wishes to lend a hand is most welcome. Please contact Fr Seán, Fr Moses or the Parish Office to express your interest. No experience in flower arranging is required, just an interest in being involved.

† **CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION:** thank you to all who joined in the celebration of Corpus Christs last Sunday, especially our First Communicants and their families. Special thanks also to our choir on the day. †

THE NATIONAL PILGRIMAGE FOR LIFE: organised by the Council for Life of the Irish Catholic Bishops' Conference, will be celebrated on Saturday 20th June in Knock Shrine. Mass will be celebrated at 3pm in the Basilica, with Anointing of the Sick. Main celebrant and homilist will be Bishop Niall Coll.

✠ **DATE FOR YOUR DIARY:** National Grandparents Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine 2026 is on Sunday 26th July.

PILGRIMAGE TO ST PATRICK'S WELL, AUGHNASHEELIN: mass at St Patrick's Well takes place on Sunday 21st June at 12noon. To keep in the spirit of a pilgrimage it is suggested that (for those who are able) we walk from the church to the well.

CARE OF CREATION: There was a large attendance in the Diocesan Pastoral Centre on Wednesday June 10th to celebrate Care of Creation Initiatives throughout the diocese of Kilmore. Representatives from various parishes spoke about projects that are happening in their parishes and church areas. The publication of "Laudato Si" by the late Pope Francis in 2015 highlighted the necessity to take action, to care for the earth and that the climate crisis is linked to our present day social, political and economic problems. Bishop Martin encourages every parish and church area to take initiatives to transform underutilised church grounds into biodiversity havens. Might each church area in our own parish form a Care of Creation Team.

CHARITABLE DONATIONS FORM: : Whether you are self-employed or a PAYE tax payer, you can help the church in your area by completing the CHY3 form and returning it to the parish office. This does not give us access to any of your tax details or your personal tax data in any way. If you donate in excess of €250 per annum to the church and pay tax to Revenue, the CHY3 form can be used by the church to reclaim some of the tax you pay, and any money reclaimed is paid directly to the church account for your area. **Forms are available in each church porch.**

THE LEITRIM COMMUNITY HOLY WELLS PROJECT (2026): is a community heritage initiative to research Holy Wells across Co. Leitrim. As you are aware we have two Holy Wells in our parish, St Brigid's Well in Ballinamore, and St. Patrick's Well in Aughnasheelin (if there are other wells, please let us know). St Mary's NS Aughnasheelin have agreed to gather information on St Patrick's Well and Scoil Chlann Naofa, Ballinamore will do likewise for St Brigid's Well. If you wish to share any knowledge or information about either of the Holy Wells and contribute to this project please contact the Parish Office by email: ballinamore@kilmorediocese.ie or the principal in either school.

YOU ARE INVITED: to Mass and Celebration for Fr. Peter McKiernan PP on the occasion of his Golden Jubilee on Friday 26th June 2026 at 7 pm in St. Mary's Church, Crosserlough. Refreshments to follow.

CEMETERY SUNDAY: Corraleehan Sunday 26th July @ 12 noon – Aughnasheelin Sunday 2nd August @ 12 noon – Aughawillan 9th August @ 9:45am mass – Ballinamore/Oughteragh 16th August @ 1pm - **Priest's Cemetery, St Patrick's Church, Ballinamore** following 11am mass on Sunday 6th September.

COMMUNITY NOTES

COMMUNITY CARE COMMITTEE: Community Care committee meeting will be held in Tráthnóna Community Centre on Monday next June 15th at 8.30pm. All members please attend. We have some important items to discuss.

SCHOOL UNIFORMS: The Community Council are now taking in good quality, clean, used, Scoil Chlann Naofa Uniforms. These can be dropped into The Den, (beside Children's Playground) or to my house. There will be an open day in late July where parents may come and collect FREE uniforms. Further Info: Máirín 0861547788

VOLUNTEERS URGENTLY NEEDED: Would you be willing to provide companionship through a weekly friendly visit to an older person seeking more social contact, just one hour per week? ALONE is currently seeking volunteers in your area. Full training and ongoing support are provided. To get involved, please sign up at www.alone.ie/volunteers For more information, please contact Collette on 086 192 1505 or Collette.Ferguson@alone.ie

✠ **SENIORS EXERCISE CLASS:** Summer term starting Tuesday 16th June at 11:15am in Ballinamore Community Hall at the Island Theatre. Suitable for men and women. A great way to get movement into the body in a lovely social welcoming atmosphere. Just come along or contact 087 939 0980 for further information.

✠ **FEMALE FITNESS CLASS:** Uplifting summer fitness classes starting Monday 15th of June at 8pm in Ballinamore Community Hall at the Island Theatre. Just come along or contact 087 939 0980 for further information.

✠ **DAWN'S ART CAMP:** Hi to all you art lovers. It's that time of year again! Art camp takes place from Wed 24th - Fri 26th June, in **The Den, Ballinamore** (Beside the playground). 3 days of painting, building, designing and having fun. 1st Class to 6th Class students. From 10am to 1pm daily. Please call Dawn at **086 311 5647** for info.

CAVAN COUNTY MUSEUM: Open day on Saturday 20th June from 10am – 4:15pm. Free family day, to celebrate our 30th Anniversary. **The Vikings are coming!** Visit the Viking Tent Camp with boatbuilding, basket making, tablet weaving, music, games and much more! Cláíomh Living History re-enactors will be in the museum with lots of weaponry to see and learn about while outside an original 1920s Cavan County Council Steam Roller will be steaming beside a Model T Car that Michael Collins was driven in with his girlfriend Kitty Kiernan.

✠ **ATHLETIC CLUB:** Organised Club training finished on Thursday last and will resume in October. Club members involved in County Community Games Finals this Sunday and All Ireland Childrens Games Sunday 21st in Tullamore.

ISLAND THEATRE: 11th July - Ballinamore Camino, 17th July - Kings of Kilburn High Rd.

REFLECTION

Seeing the crowds through Christ's eyes, we are reminded that compassion is not a feeling but a call to act. Sent as labourers into His harvest, we are invited to bring healing, hope and tenderness wherever we go.

Parish Office Hours: Open – Mon, Thurs & Fri 9 – 4 Closed – Tue & Wed Phone: 071-9644039 ballinamore@kilmorediocese.ie

All New items for the Newsletter should be dropped into the Parish Office, Convent Road or emailed before 12 noon on Thursdays to ballinamore@kilmorediocese.ie the editor reserves the right to edit or omit items according to suitability of content & space in the newsletter.

ADDITIONAL PARISH AND COMMUNITY ITEMS

REMINDER - PARISH FIVE FIRST SATURDAYS: 100 year Anniversary of Five 1st Saturdays Devotion 1926 – 2026 - Parish celebration continues with our second Saturday devotion on 4th July after 11am mass.

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MARIAN MOVEMENT OF PRAYER FOR PRIESTS & FAMILIES: as requested by Our Lady of Fatima via interior Locutions to Fr Stefano Gobbi will take place on the last Monday of each month. Our next date is 29th June, 2026 after 7pm Mass in Prayer Room Ballinamore Church. All are welcome.

PARISH PRAYER GROUP: each Tuesday from 8pm-9:30pm, in the Prayer Room in Ballinamore Church.



WAYS OF SUPPORTING the PARISH FINANCIALLY: The traditional way to support your parish is by contributing through your weekly envelope collection. Thanks to all who do so, so generously each week. In recent times some people set up a SO/EFT to pay, please contact parish office at **071 964 4039** / ballinamore@kilmorediocese.ie, or you scan the QR code with your smartphone, <https://churchtv.ie/>, follow the links for your Church to make a donation. The light a candle feature lets you light a candle in Ballinamore Church from anywhere, 24/7.

THE WAY: A national on-line network helping people to discover, live and pass on the Catholic faith. Find out more at www.theWay.ie, and help spread the Good News! This initiative from the Bishops' Conference is intended to be a collaborative effort which we can build together to our mutual benefit.

BOOKING ANNIVERSARY MASSES: As you are aware we have shared mass intentions in our churches at the weekends. We try to limit the number of intentions to a maximum of three. To maintain this arrangement please book anniversary masses well in advance of your preferred time. Priests are allowed one mass stipend or donation per day, when we have shared intentions the extra donations are sent to retired or missionary Priests, who celebrate the extra Masses. Please book your Masses via email ballinamore@kilmorediocese.ie or phone **071 964 4039**

GENTLE REMINDER: to update your church contributions. Offertory contributions for the upkeep of your church are made payable to your local church. On-line donations can be made using the following bank details. Offertory Donations: **Ballinamore** IBAN IE26 AIBK 937037 03815040, **Aughawillan** IBAN IE19 AIBK 937037 00004036, **Corraleehan** IBAN IE32 AIBK 937037 02021111, **Aughnasheelin** IBAN IE58 AIBK 937037 03814076. All Dues contributions are made to Ballinamore Catholic Church No. 2 Account. **IBAN IE16 AIBK 937037 03815123** Your continued support is gratefully appreciated.

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AUGHNASHEELIN AFTERSCHOOL: is now open and delighted to welcome new students from the wider community for the current school year! We offer a safe, engaging, and fun environment where children can learn, play, and thrive after school. We are also taking expressions of interest for September—contact us at: aug.afterschoolcare@gmail.com or 0871178796

SCOIL CHLANN NAOFA, BALLINAMORE: has commenced accepting applications for admission to our national school for the 2026/2027 school year. Please contact the school on 071 9645001 or email us at info@scoilchlannaofa.com for the enrolment pack. Application forms are also available to download from our website www.scoilchlannaofa.ie.

AUGHAWILLAN NS: is now taking Enrolments for September 2026. Enrolment forms are now available by e-mailing: aughawillanns@gmail.com or contacting the office on 071 9644246.

ST. MARY'S NS AUGHNASHEELIN: is now taking Enrolments for September 2026. Enrolment forms are now available by e-mailing: office@stmarysnaughnasheelin.com or contacting the office on 0719644868.

SING TOGETHER: Further dates are: 18th July, 12th September, and 21st November from 11.00am – 12.30pm, come earlier for a warm-up cup of tea. Island Theatre, Ballinamore.

MOHILL FAMILY SUPPORT CENTRE: is delighted to host our annual Family Fun Day on 11th July 2pm – 5pm at the Mohill Sports Complex N41 X9K2. Enjoy a variety of activities, including inflatable sports, face painting, a children's disco, balloon modelling, a magic show, and much more. We're also excited to welcome Hullabaloo, who will be running a pottery painting workshop and a tote bag decorating workshop. Places for these workshops are limited, booking is essential. To reserve your spot, please contact Rachel on 086 603 5977 or 071 963 1253.

FULL TIME ADULT EDUCATION COURSES: starting September 2026 in Leitrim College of Further Education and Training, Drumshanbo campus on the Hilly Road, N41 C6X6 and Carrick on Shannon campus - The Courtyard, N41 A386 and N41 TE20. Find out about our QQI Level 5 & 6 courses in Business, Equine, Health Nutrition and Food Science, Healthcare Skills, Music, Outdoor Sports and Recreation, Psychology, Youth and Social Studies and Tourism: www.leitrimcollege.ie, our Facebook and Instagram pages @LeitrimCollege or call 089-2667813.

♪♪ **TEEN SUMMER MUSIC PROGRAMME:** 20th - 23rd July and 27th - 30th July, from 10am – 2pm daily, at The Junction, Ballinamore. Led by Susan Roland, and supported by experienced music professionals. Contact: 071 9622537 or volunteerleitrim.ie/events, to book your place.

STEP OUT & JOIN IN! Ballinamore Community Walk every Tuesday morning starting 10am. Meet at The Island. Wear comfortable shoes. All welcome.

AUGHNASHEELIN CIROCAL NA mBan: Yoga continues every Wednesday evening 6.45 -7.45pm with Edel Quinn. Arts and crafts with Friends from 10am - 12.30pm every Saturday morning. This is a drop in workshop doing various arts and crafts activities. Contact Geraldine 086-3376411 for info.

THE ALZHEIMER SOCIETY OF IRELAND: now offer Day Services in Carrick on Shannon with more services to be added in the not too distant future. If you or a loved one or someone you know would benefit from our Services or like more information, then please contact Sinéad Foley Coleman by: E-mail sineadfoley.coleman@alzheimer.ie or phone 087 0680714.

ALONE: is seeking volunteers in Ballinamore to visit older people or make friendly phone calls to help prevent loneliness and isolation over the winter months. ALONE recruits, trains, and supports volunteers for two key services: **Visitation and Befriending Service:** Volunteers give **one hour per week** to provide companionship to an older person. **Telephone Support and Befriending Service:** Volunteers make friendly weekly calls to older people for a **one-hour shift**. We currently have older people throughout Sligo awaiting on both services. For more information or to get involved, please visit alone.ie or contact **Collette, Volunteer Support Officer**, at: **086 1921505** or email collette.ferguson@alone.ie

FAMILY CARERS IRELAND: is currently conducting the State of Caring 2026 Survey, an important survey to better understand the experiences of family carers. As a family carer, your input is invaluable and will contribute to shaping policies and decisions. The survey usually takes 30 minutes but this can vary. Please take part online at : <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/StateOfCaring2026>. If you would prefer to complete a paper copy or complete the survey by phone, please contact Joanne Murphy, Research Officer| jmurphy@familycarers.ie | 086 032 6187 The survey will remain open until March 4th 2026.

MPACT: Supports families who have been affected by parental substance misuse, where there are children aged 8–17. For further information contact: M-PACT Sligo, Leitrim, West Cavan, First Floor, The Westward Town Centre, Bridge Street, Sligo. F91 XH77 Tel: 07191 50578/ 085 8759313.

THE YOUNG PARENTS SUPPORT PROGRAMME: offers support to young parents who are expecting a baby or already have a child. This support can include but not limited to pre- and post-natal support, independent living and education/training. This is a free and confidential service. If you would like to get involved contact: lindahalstead@homeyouthliaisonservice.ie or 087 7917000

ST PATRICK'S NATIONAL SCHOOL CORLOUGH PARENTS ASSOCIATION: would really appreciate your support! If you have plastic bottles or cans with the Re-turn symbol and are willing to donate them to raise funds for the children of St Patrick's Corlough, you can place them in the yellow Re-turn bin located in the Chapel car park at Corraleehan or Corlough church. Alternatively, there is a bin in the school.

BALLINAMORE GREENWAY PARKRUN & WALK: each Saturday at 9.30am – Meet at the Junction.

BALLINAMORE WHIST: first Thursday of each month at 8:30pm in the Island Theatre. New members welcome.

AUGHAWILLAN WHIST: second Tuesday of the month, 8:30pm. New members welcome. Spot prizes appreciated.

FAMILY CARERS IRELAND: is the National Charity Supporting 500,000+ Family Carers Nationwide, we are currently recruiting for Community Homecare Workers to provide support to clients. Work hours are flexible based on your availability. Own car and Full Driving Licence essential. Please send your CV to jobs@familycarers.ie or contact Carol on 049 8511031 or 086 4183949 for more information.

MEITHEAL: is a Tusla led process for children and families who may need support. Meitheal enables families to identify what is working well - and no so well, and work towards changes they would like to see happen for their child or young person. For more information on Meitheal please call 087-6562844 or email meitheal.ppfs@tusla.ie

TEMPLEPORT SOCIAL SERVICES-DAY CENTRE: on Wednesdays. Usual transport schedule. Any queries contact Ann Maguire **087 765 5096** or Anne Smith **087 285 7471**. Looking forward to seeing you all.

GROW: is a national mental health organisation offering support to people who are experiencing or have experienced mental health challenges. We invite you to join our friendly, strictly confidential, and non-judgemental weekly peer support meetings in Breffni FRC, Carrick on Shannon every Wednesday from 11am-1pm. You don't have to face this alone. With GROW, you'll find understanding, connection, and hope. For more information call Marie on 086 8516939.

AN TOBAR NUA: We provide **confidential counselling nationwide** via telephone and Zoom. Our service is **donation-based**, because we do not want finances to prevent anyone from receiving support. If you are struggling with grief, anxiety, depression, or other life challenges, we are here to help, please telephone: 091-562 175

LIFE COACH: creating inclusive, uplifting gatherings where everyone is welcome—whether you move, sit, sway, or simply enjoy the moment. These events are designed to support your wellbeing, create connection, and lift your spirit. If this speaks to you, I'd love to hear from you. Please email transformationalYES@gmail.com with a "Yes" and the name of your townland.

SENIORLINE: a national telephone service for older people open every day 10am-10pm, Freephone **1800 80 45 91**. SeniorLine's older volunteers are trained to listen, to support, to discuss options and to other helpful services.

LEITRIM CALLING: would like to hear from people willing to get involved as a volunteer on our Befriending Visitation Service - one hour per week commitment visiting an older person in their home for company and chat. Full training and support is provided. For further details, contact: Marion on 087 9585029 or e-mail leitrimcalling@gmail.com

MUVE HEALTHCARE provides homecare services in the local area. If you are looking for a carer or nurse for your relative or loved one, please contact Caroline O'Neill, Head of Homecare on **089 611 1647** for more details. Our website is www.muvehealthcare.ie

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