

OUGHTERAGH & DRUMREILLY LOWER PARISH NEWSLETTER20th April 2025 *Aughawillan - Aughnasheelin - Ballinamore & Corraleeahan*

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Mass times: Sun 12noon Mon & Wed 7pm, Tues, Thurs & Fri 9am. Sat 11am

Sat 19th Apr 8:30pm **Holy Saturday** - Eamon & Josephine Canning (Main St) and deceased members of the Canning and Traynor families

Sun 20th Apr 12noon **Easter Sunday** – Johnnie & Delia Maher (Lahard) and deceased members of the Maher and Godwin families

Sat 26th Apr 11am Tommy & Teresa Clyne (Lahard) and their daughter Jean Skelly (Oldcastle)

Sun 27th Apr 11am William Winters
Mary Canning (Lahard) 1st Anniversary and her parents Martin & Liz and her sister Lizzie.
Fr Seamus Duffy
Kathleen & Tommy D'Arcy (High St), Lily D'Arcy, Peggy Whyte and Pat Mallon.

Wed 30th Apr 7pm Cathal Mawn (Glenfarne & Boston) 10th Anniversary

Fri 2nd May 9am Paddy O'Boy (Church St) and his son Michael O'Boy

Eucharistic Adoration: **Fridays 9.30am –10.30am**

Eucharist Ministers 18th Apr Patricia Griffin, James Maguire & James Óg Maguire, 19th Apr Máirín Martin, Mona Creamer & Liam McGovern, 20th Apr Patricia McGoldrick, Marian Quinn & Leigh Murphy.

Ministers of the Word 18th Apr **Good Friday:** Mary Corby, Raymond McHugh, Siobhán Dolan, Alan Banks, 19th **Holy Saturday:** Gerard D'Arcy, Marie O'Connor, Michael Dolan **Easter Sunday 20th Apr** Ann Gillen **27th Apr** Patricia McGoldrick, 4th May Phil Earley, 11th May Patricia Griffin

Door Collectors: 20th Apr John McWeeney, Michael Duignan, David Prior
27th Apr & 4th May Michael Dolan & Louis Creamer

AUGHNASHEELIN - St. MARY'S CHURCH

Mass times: Fri 7pm Sat 8:15pm

Mass Intentions

Fri 18th Apr 7pm **Good Friday**

Sun 20th 11am **Easter Sunday** – John & Mary Reilly (Greaghrevamore) and their daughter Breege McGill.
James & Chris Mulvanerty (Derrinkeher Roycroft)

Sat 26th 12 noon Molly McTiernan (Miskawn)

Sat 26th 8:15pm Paddy Flynn (1st Anniversary)

Eucharistic Adoration: **Wednesdays, 11am - 12noon and 8pm - 10pm**

Eucharistic Ministers: 19th Apr Seamus Prior & Margaret McTeigue
26th Apr & 3rd May Sharon O'Dowd & Brandan Sammon

Readers: John Maguire, Barbara Gunn & family **Door Collectors:** Sean McWeeney, Paddy Beirne, Michael McGil**CORRALEECHAN - St. BRIGID'S CHURCH**

Mass times: Wed 9:30am Sat 7pm

Mass Intentions

Sat 19th Apr 7pm **Holy Saturday**

Wed 23rd Apr 9:30am Mary Kay & Andrew Heavey (Moher), their son Owen (Yonkers, NY) and deceased members of the Heavey family.

Sat 26th Apr 7pm Peter Prior (Months Mind)

Eucharistic Ministers Gillian McNiff & Michael McGovern **Altar Society** Gillian McNiff & Anne Marie Maguire**Ministers of the Word** Joanne Curnan & Phyllis McTague **Door Collectors** Brian McGovern & Paul Prior**AUGHAWILLAN – St. PATRICK'S CHURCH**

Mass times: Wed, 7pm Sun, 9:45am

Mass Intentions

Sun 20th Apr 9:45am **Easter Sunday** – Tommy & Agnes Deane (Glebe)
Teresa McKiernan (Stradrinan) Months Mind
Margaret & Columba Quinn (Garadice) and all deceased family members

Sun 27th Apr 9:45am Thomas Joseph Flanagan (Months Mind) formerly of Drumarigna and Kildare.

Eucharistic Ministers Des Quinn & Breege McCauley **Altar Society** Joan McBrien & Roisin Sexton-Smith**Ministers of the Word** Niamh McBrien & Edel Shanley **Door Collectors** Morgan Quinn & Ciarán McBrien

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY: Ceremony in Ballinamore Church on 27th April at 2:30pm. All are most welcome. Other ceremonies take place in St Joseph's Church, Boyle, Knock Shrine and Dominican Friary, Sligo. Details on notice in church porches.

RECENT DEATHS: We pray for the happy repose of the souls of Marie Costello (Greaghrevamore) whose funeral took place on Thursday, Fr Cathal Cumiskey C.Ss.R. (Dundalk) and formerly of Mohill, Fr. Eamon Bredin, a priest of Kilmore diocese, (funeral mass in Rossinver on Sun at 1pm), and Dessie O'Kelly (funeral in Drumeela Sun at 2pm).

A WORD OF THANKS: to those who have helped with Holy Week preparation and ceremonies. We are most grateful to you for your time and contribution, as you help to enhance the church's Easter season for all.

TROCAIRE BOXES: A gentle reminder to please place your Trócaire donations in the envelope provided and bring to your local church on Holy Thursday for the offertory procession. Thereafter, Trócaire donations can be taken to your local church any Sunday.

YOUNG ADULTS CATHOLIC APOLOGETICS: on Sat 26th Apr from 9am-8pm at St. Patrick's College, Maynooth. Meet like-minded Catholics. Lunch and refreshments will be served. Tickets €45. Visit www.evangelium.ie for details.



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 QRcode 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.

EASTER MONDAY PILGRIM PATH WALK @ LOUGH DERG: Join the Team at Lough Derg for a guided walk along the ancient Pilgrim Path around Lough Derg on Monday 21st April @10.30am. 8km & 12km option available. Free event. Booking essential. More information www.loughderg.org

PARISH MISSION: A parish mission will take place from October 19th - 24th 2025. It will be conducted by Net Ministries Ireland who are based in Ballybofey Co. Donegal. Please put these dates in your diary.

FR GERRY CAMPBELL: will offer prayers and the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass for intergenerational healing in the Kilmore Diocesan Pastoral Centre, Cavan on Thurs Apr 24th. Confessions 6.15pm, Rosary 7pm, Holy Mass 7.30pm.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: Aughawillan: Sun 4th May @ 9.45am, Ballinamore: Sat 17th May @ 12pm, and Aughnasheelin: Sun 18th May @ 12 pm

"24 HOURS FOR THE LORD" Thanks to all who participated in the Eucharistic Adoration. It was an uplifting spiritual experience, and a time of many blessings.

COMMUNITY NOTES

LEITRIM ALZHEIMER CAFÉ: Free Information Café, 4th Thursday of every month, 24th April 2025, 11am to 1pm. Commercial Hotel, Ballinamore. Contact Mary - 087 0024190.

COMMUNITY SERVICES HUB from 10am-12noon in the Den, N41R522. Upcoming dates: Tuesdays: 22nd April, 6th May, 20th May, 3rd June, 17th June, 1st July, 15th July, 29th July.

AUGHNASHEELIN DEVELOPMENT GROUP: The next meeting of the group takes place on Tuesday 22nd April 8.30pm in the Community Centre. Agenda includes Gathering Weekend, Biodiversity Plan for area & Spring Clean of the area. Please come along, as we would welcome more people at these meetings.

CIORCAL NA MBAN: Bus booked for Bloom in the Phoenix Park Fri 30th May - Bloom is a lovely day out and we have 4 seats left on the bus if anyone would like to come along on the day please text 086-6083516.

ATHLETIC CLUB: Training resumes after Easter break on 29th Apr with Ballinamore Area Community Games that evening at 6pm. On Bank Holiday May 5th the Club celebrates its 60th birthday with the unveiling of a commemorative plaque to Bill Britton at the AIB, presentations to former long serving officers and International athletes plus photographic exhibition in the Den and a sports in St Felim's. Former club members are most welcome.

ISLAND THEATRE: Robert Mizzell, Sat 19th Apr at 8pm. (doors 7pm), Crannóg Bar will be open. Tickets €25+ fees – cannot be exchanged or refunded.

GENTLE EXERCISE CLASS: Exercise session including seated and standing exercises for improved mobility, flexibility and balance. On Thursday's at 10am on the 24th April, 8th & 22nd May and 5th June. In Ballinamore Old Primary School (beside the old convent & new national school), All welcome.

BALLINAMORE COMHALTAS: will host the Leitrim County Fleadh on the weekend of 25rd - 27th April with a concert by renowned Trad Trio, Carlos, Sweeney, McCartin on Friday 25th, 8pm at the Island Theatre, Ballinamore. Tickets from www.islandtheatre.ie or the tourist office. More information 0861792121.

BALLINAMORE COMHALTAS CONWEB SESSIONS: continue Wednesdays from 8-9pm. Learn a tune with session continuing til late. Wed 23rd April, The Poor Scholar with Joanna Sweeney. More information 0877620523.

SING TOGETHER: Monthly, Saturday Morning Drop Ins at the Island Theatre 11-12.30pm, 31st May, 26th July, 20th September, 18th October, 15th November. All Welcome. No experience needed. More information 0877620523

NORTH WEST STEM FEST: North West STEM Fest takes place again this summer from 28th July to Aug 1st, in the Island Theatre, Ballinamore. The theme is connections and it's the perfect opportunity for incoming 1st years, and others, to get to know each other. Contact Seán on 089 9596278 to book.

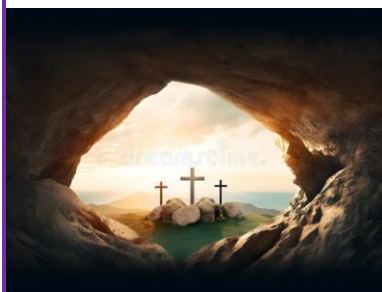
MONAGHAN INSTITUTE'S OPEN EVENING Thursday 8th May 2025, from 4-7pm. For leaving cert students and their families. Showcasing the Institute's Third Level courses.

The Priests and Parish Pastoral Council wish all our parishoners and visitors a joyful and blessed Easter.

REFLECTION

May this Easter season fill your hearts with hope and joy in God's blessings. Amen

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

CEMETERY SUNDAY DATES: Corraleehan: Sun July 27th mass at 12pm. Aughnasheelin: Sun Aug 3rd mass at 12pm. Aughawillan: Sun Aug.10th Mass at 9.45am. Oughteragh: Sun.Aug.17th mass 1pm. Priests Graves: Sept.7th

ST PATRICKS CHURCH BALLINAMORE: along with the Cathedral of St. Patrick & Felim, Cavan, St. Anne's Church, Bailieboro and St Clare's Church, Manorhamilton have been decreed as Jubilee Churches. You can obtain a Jubilee Indulgence by visiting one of these sacred spaces. Leaflets with more information on the how to obtain the Jubilee Indulgence and how to participate in Special Jubilee Activities are available in each church porch.

CATHOLIC MOTHERS IRELAND RETREAT DAY: Join us for a day of Spiritual Restoration, Inspiring Talks, Holy Mass, Prayer and Confession in Gillooly Hall, Sligo Town, Co. Sligo on Sat 3rd May. This all-day Retreat will run from 10am – 6pm. Email catholicmothers@outlook.ie for more information or to book your place.

BALLINAMORE PRAYER GROUP: 8pm on Tuesdays at the Parish Centre. Come along and invite your friends.

PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 2025: Kilmore Diocese Pilgrimage to Lourdes led by Bishop Martin Hayes. From 30th May for 5 nights, Tel: 049-4361222 or email, info@cavantravel.com

IMPORTANT DATES FOR 2025:

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION:

Aughawillan: Sun 4th May @ 9.45am Ballinamore: Sat 17th May @ 12pm Aughnasheelin: Sun 18th May @ 12 pm

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**

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

PRE-MARRIAGE COURSE Dates 2025: Next date is Friday 10th October 2025 7.30pm – 10.00pm & Saturday 11th Oct 10am–5pm. Courses take place in the Kilmore Diocesan Pastoral Centre, Cavan H12 E5C7. To book: www.accord.ie

FAMILY CARERS IRELAND: Are you caring for a loved one at home with additional needs? A spouse, partner, child, close relative or neighbour? Then you are a family carer! Become a member of Family Carers Ireland, the national charity supporting Ireland's 500,000+ family carers nationwide. Contact 057 93 70221 and hear how we can support you or for more info visit www.familycarers.ie.

AUGHNASHEELIN ACTIVE RETIREMENT GROUP (AGE 50+ FOR MEN AND WOMEN): Interested in joining this new group in Aughnasheelin? This group has great plans for social activities, trips, being active, with new and exciting things to do, fostering community well-being and enabling members to get out and meet people in a social setting. Tea and chat - All welcome.

BALLINAMORE GREENWAY PARKRUN & WALK: each Saturday at 9.30am - looking forward to seeing you there.

BALLINAMORE WALKING GROUP: Join our walking group, meeting every Tuesday at 10am at the basin near Supervalu. A weekly walk & talk with a friendly group of people. All welcome to join.

COMMUNITY SERVICES HUB in the Den, N41R522: every other Tuesday from 10am-12pm. Featuring information and signposting, free event, all welcome.

BALLINAMORE CAMINO: 12th July. Registration is through islandtheatre.ie

SCOIL CHLANN NAOFA, BALLINAMORE: is accepting applications for admission to our school for the 2025/26 school year. Please contact **071 964 5001** or email info@scoilchlannnaofa.com for an enrolment pack. Thank you.

AUGHAWILLAN N.S. are now taking Enrolments for September 2025. Enrolment forms are now available by e-mailing: aughawillanns@gmail.com or contacting the office on 071 9644246.

ST. MARY'S N.S. AUGHNASHEELIN: is now accepting enrolments for September 2025. Enrolment forms are available by contacting the school at, 071 9644868 or by email to, office@stmarysnaughnasheelin.com

AUGHAWILLAN WHIST: second Tues of the month at 8:30pm. New members always welcome.

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

BURREN OUTDOOR RETREAT: Sat 17th to Mon 19th May. Would you like to come on a guided journey through the Burren with its limestone pavements, rare flora and ancient sacred sites? Let the beauty of the amazing Burren landscape renew you in body and soul. Information: Mary 087 970 1130. Booking: Des 085 1614951

AUGHNASHEELIN DEVELOPMENT GROUP: The Gathering Event happens May 24th, celebrating community and heritage. As part of this great weekend, a scheduled event takes place in Aughnasheelin on 24th May, with traditional food workshops, our community coffee morning and vintage farm equipment. Special focus on the 1960s Aughnasheelin Water Scheme. Not to be missed - tell your friends and family to save the date.

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.

YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE ADDICTED TO SUFFER FROM ADDICTION! M-PACT, a FREE eight-week family support programme. For the whole family, helping to improve relationships, communication and recovery. If interested or would like further information please contact 071 9150578 / 085 875 9319 or email sligoleitrim@alcoholforum.com

THE RURAL SOCIAL SCHEME: has vacancies in the local Area. To participate in the Scheme an individual must be in receipt of an eligible Social Welfare payment such as Farm Assist, Job Seekers Allowance or Disability Allowance, The Individual or Family Member must have access to an active Herd Number. Please contact Gerry on **086 771 6896** or Leitrim Development Company on **071 964 1770** or Email schemes@ldco.ie for more information.

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

LEITRIM CALLING'- befriending visitation project seek Volunteers to provide a home visit for one hour per week. The Volunteer will be matched with an older person (client) in the Ballinamore area and through mutual interests. The Volunteer will be provided with full training. The Volunteer will be introduced to the client by the Coordinator on the first visit and then will continue as suits all. Please apply on www.ivol.ie or contact Claire @ claire@volunteerleitrim.ie

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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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