22nd November 2026 **OUGHTERAGH & DRUMREILLY LOWER PARISH NEWSLETTER** 34th Sunday O/T

Aughawillan - Aughnasheelin - Ballinamore & Corraleehan

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

23rd Nov St Columban, 24th Nov St Colman, 25th Nov St Catherine & St Clement

27th Nov St Fergal

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BALLINAMORE ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH Mass times: Sat & Sun 11am, Mon & Thurs 7pm, Tue & Fri 9am

Mass Intentions



Sat 21st Nov 11am	Bernadette (Detsy) Beirne (Aughoo)
Sun 22nd Nov 11am	Philip & Philomena Murphy (St Brigid's St.) and deceased members of the Murphy and Turbitt families. Ann McCaffrey (Páirc Fé)
Mon 23rd Nov 7pm	**Faithful Departed**
Tues 24th Nov 9am	Teresa, George & John Wynne. Helen & Martin Meehan.
Fri 27th Nov 9am	**People of the Parish**
Sat 28th Nov 11am	Seán Maxwell (Months Mind)
Sun 29th Nov 11am	Seddie (Edward) Cafferty and all deceased family members Frank & Eileen Logan and all deceased family members
Eucharistic Adoration:	***(Fridays 9:30am – 10:30am, all are welcome)***

Ministers of the Eucharist: 22nd Nov Patricia Griffin, James Maguire & Brendan Sweeney, **29th Nov** Máirín Martin, Mona Creamer & Liam McGovern, **6th Dec** Patricia McGoldrick, Marian Quinn & Leigh Murphy
Ministers of the Word: 2nd Nov Kay Maguire, **29th Nov** John Darcy, **6th Dec** Siobhán Dolan, **13th Dec** Alan Banks
Door Collectors: 22nd & 29th Nov Tommy McWeeney & Joe Murphy, **6th & 13th Dec** Liam McGovern & Dessie Wisley

AUGHNASHEELIN ST. MARY'S CHURCH Mass times: Friday 7pm Sunday 9:45am

Mass Intentions

Fri 20th Nov 8pm	***Annual Mass of Consolation for the Bereaved of the Parish***
Sun 22nd Nov 9:45am	Tommy & Bernadette Harvey (Aghlin, Aghacashel), and deceased members of the Harvey & Gilhooly families. Nora & Michael Flynn and all deceased family members.
Wed 25th Nov 7pm	***First Communion Enrolment Mass***
Fri 27th Nov 7pm	Kevin Cummings (Kiltybarden) John Pat Doran & his sister Molly Thomas & Matilda Reilly (Cronabrone) Deceased members of the Keenan & McKeown families, Co. Louth
Eucharistic Adoration:	***(Wednesdays, 11am – 12 noon and 8pm – 10pm)***

Eucharistic Ministers: 21st Nov Maura Mulvey & Maureen Conway, **28th Nov & 5th Dec** Mary Costello & Sheila O'Dowd
Ministers of the Word: Philip Roddy & Monica Ward
Door Collectors: Michael James Creamer, Sean Mahon & Liam Prior

CORRALEEHAN ST. BRIGID'S CHURCH Mass times: Sat 7pm, Wed 9:30am

Mass Intentions

Sat 21st Nov 7pm	Jack Gilheany (Clogher), Ellen Gilheany, Margaret Gilheany & Rita Gilheany and all deceased family members.
Wed 25th Nov.9.30am	**Faithful Departed**
Sat 28th Nov 7pm	People of the Parish
Eucharistic Adoration:	***(Wednesdays 10am – 8pm, please come along and join us)***

Eucharistic Ministers: Carol McNiff & Bernie Dolan
Ministers of the Word: Paul Prior & Sean Prior **Door Collectors:** Seamus McGovern & Éadán McNiff

AUGHAWILLAN ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH

Mass Intentions

Sun 29th Nov 9:45am	Thomas & Alice Flanagan & their son Francie, and Thomas McGovern (Drumarigna) Hugh & Mary Brady, (Corramahan, Garadice)

Eucharistic Ministers: Damien Conefrey & Patricia Deane **Altar Society:** Jillian Warren & Maureen McGovern
Ministers of the Word: Ciarán McBrien & Mark Stringer **Door Collectors:** Michael Darcy & Michael Quinn

TODAY IS THE FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING, and it is the last Sunday of this Liturgical Year.
Next Sunday is the First Sunday of the Season of Advent, and the beginning of a new Liturgical Year.

REMEMBRANCE TREE: in loving memory of those who have gone before us, we invite you to write their names on a label and place it on the remembrance tree in Ballinamore Church. Please sit and pray for a while.

BREAVEMENT INFORMATION EVENING: takes place on Tuesday 24th November at 7:00PM in The Landmark Hotel, Carrick-on-Shannon. Hosted by the Social Work Team from Northwest Hospice. Topics include: What to expect when grieving – How to support others – Caring for yourself – Children's grief. Open to the public.
LEGION OF MARY: each Monday at 7:30 PM (after 7:00 PM mass) in Ballinamore Church Sacristy.
FIRST SATURDAYS CONFERENCE: Knock Shrine hosts First Saturdays Conference on **Saturday 28th November** 2026. **Programme:** 10:00am Adoration & Confession (Reconciliation Chapel), 11:15am Testimony (Geraldine O'Donnell), 11:30am Talk (Fr. Patrick Cahill), 12:15pm Talk (Fr. Jaimie Twohig), 1:45pm Talk (Fr. Leon Pereira & Fr. Marius O'Reilly), 2:30pm Rosary (Fr. Mark Quinn & Children's Rosary), 3:00pm Mass (Fr. James Devine), 3:45pm Meditation (Fr. Philip Kemmy), 4:00pm Eucharistic Healing (Fr. John Keane). Chaired by Christine O'Hara. Visit www.firstsaturdays.ie for details.
GENTLE REMINDER: as we approach the end of 2026, we gently remind all to take the opportunity 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.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

🎅 🎄 🎅 **CIORCAL NA MBAN**: All welcome to Aughnasheelin Community Centre on Saturday 28th November, 2–5pm, for a festive afternoon featuring food, cakes and bakes, gift stalls, crafts and flowers. Refreshments including hot chocolate. A special visit from the man in red at 4.30pm followed by switching on of the Christmas lights at 5pm. A lovely family occasion for everyone. Stalls €20. To book, text 087 787 4612. 🍰 🍺 🌴
🩸 **BLOOD DONATION CLINIC**: on Thursday 29th November, in the Island Theatre from 3:30PM – 8:00PM.
ATHLETIC CLUB: Training at Sports hall Tuesday and Thursday at 7:00PM in preparation for Leitrim, Connacht and Schools Indoor events in the New Year, also outdoor training in St Felim's.
BALLINAMORE SPORTS COMPLEX: available to rent with wide variety of sports on offer.
COMMUNITY DEN: What's on each week? Foróige on Mondays; Cumann na bhFiann on Tuesdays; Assorted Fitness with Michelle on Wednesdays and on Fridays Pilates with Edel. Spacious, warm, comfortable DEN, with toilet and kitchen facilities available to rent for various events including birthday parties. FREE car parking adjacent to the Children's Playground and on the Greenway. Training room with white board and overhead projector also available to rent. Further info call Máirín 0861547788.
ALZHEIMERS FREE INFORMATION CAFÉ: open to everyone on the 4th Thursday of the month – 26th November 11:00AM – 1:00PM, Commercial Hotel. For more information contact Eileen on 087 0024190
A HUGE THANK YOU!: to everyone who generously supported Bernie McGovern's recent North West Hospice Coffee morning, in Corraleehan. It was a huge success again this year. The amount raised was €1900. 🍺
🎭 **THE BREFFNI PLAYERS PRESENT: A Christmas Carol** by Charles Dickens, adapted for the stage by John Mortimer, at the **Island Theatre, Ballinamore**, on **Friday 18th and Saturday 19th December 2026 at 8pm.** A wonderful festive production for all the family, bringing Dickens' much-loved Christmas classic to life! **Tickets and booking information:** https://www.islandtheatre.ie/
BALLINAMORE COMMUNITY SCHOOL ENROLMENT: Ballinamore Community School are accepting First Year Enrolments for the 2027/28 School Year. Digital Application Forms will be available from November 12th on the school website. All enrolment details have been distributed in advance to local primary schools. To complete the digital enrolment student's relevant documentation will be required (Eircode, birth cert, PPS number, educational reports).
SCOIL CHLANN NAOFA, BALLINAMORE: has commenced accepting applications for admission to our school for the 2027/2028 school year. Please contact the school: email the school at info@scoilchlannnaofa.com or on 071 9645001 for an enrolment pack. Application forms are also available to download from www.scoilchlannnaofa.ie.
BALLINAMORE LIBRARY EVENTS: **Family Festive Fortnight at Ballinamore Library -** Saturday, November 28th – Saturday, December 12th**. 1) The Great Christmas Jumper Swap & Design Competition – Saturday November 28th 10-1pm.** Swap your pre-loved or outgrown Christmas Jumper for a token to exchange for a brand-new-to-you one. Christmas Jumper Design Competition: design your dream jumper and win a prize for the best (*Winners announced on December 12th).* **2) Paint Your Own Christmas Ornaments Family Friendly Workshop - Saturday, December 5th 11-12.30pm.** Booking: Essential Call 071 965 0476 or email ballinamorelibrary@leitrimcoco.ie. **3) Festive Storytime & "Jumper Day" - Saturday, December 12th 11-1.** Collect your new-to-you jumper and wear for a cozy social winter story-time.
CAVAN INSTITUTE INFORMATION DAY: Saturday 28th November, 11:00AM –1:00PM. Explore PLC, Apprenticeship & Tertiary Degree options, meet staff and students, and discover pathways to further study and employment. Your future starts here! www.cavaninstitute.ie Tel: 049 433 2633
ISLAND THEATRE: **27th Nov @ 8pm** ABBA Forever, **5th Dec @ 8pm** Greatest 80s Show, **13th Dec** Christmas Fair – 12-4pm, **18th & 19th Dec @ 8pm** A Christmas Carol – Breffni Players. For further details go to: www.islandtheatre.ie.

REFLECTION

Lord, when I meet those who are hungry, lonely, sick, or burdened, help me to see Your face in them. May my heart be moved to love and serve You in others with generosity and compassion, so that one day I may hear Your words: "Come, you whom my Father has blessed." 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

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO ASSISI: There are still a number of places available on this pilgrimage which takes place from Tuesday 24th to Sunday 29th November 2026 to mark the 800th anniversary of the death of St Francis of Assisi. Bishop Martin Hayes will lead the pilgrimage and Fr Seán Kelly OFM Cap. will be the Spiritual Director. Anyone wishing to participate in the pilgrimage should contact Marian Pilgrimages directly and as soon as possible on (01) 878 8159 as places are limited, especially for those seeking single room accommodation. The fare (including hotel accommodation on half-board basis, flights etc is €1,495 per person sharing and the single room supplement is an extra €450 per person). Please see poster on the church noticeboard. For further information, please contact the Diocesan Pastoral Centre in Cavan on 049 4375004 (Extension 102).

MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS: In November we remember and pray for the faithful departed. In all our churches masses will be offered for deceased members of our families. You can leave your list of the dead in the special box or basket on the altar in each church, ***do not include money with your list*** but instead, please place your donation into the November Offerings envelope provided in your church envelope boxes. These will be taken up during the offertory collection at mass. Alternatively, you may place your November Offerings in the safe in Ballinamore Church.

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 **30th November, 2026** after 7pm Mass in the Prayer Room in Ballinamore Church. All are welcome.

DATES FOR YOUR 2027 DIARY: Confirmation: Saturday 29th May St. Patrick's Church Ballinamore @ 11am. **First Holy Communion: AUGHAWILLAN**: Sunday 25th April @ 9.45am Mass. **AUGHNSHEELIN**: Saturday May 8th 12pm mass. **BALLINAMORE**: Saturday 15th May @ 12pm mass.

ANNUAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS 2025: please do not hesitate to contact the Parish Office if you require your 2025 acknowledgement by emailing: ballinamore@kilmorediocese.ie and requesting it. Alternatively, you may wish to call to the Parish Office during opening hours and request a printed copy.

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

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.***

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. To book your Masses please email ballinamore@kilmorediocese.ie or phone 0719644039.

BALLINAMORE COMMUNITY DEN EVENTS: Mondays: Foróige @ 6pm. Tuesdays: Cumann na bhFiann @ 7pm. Wednesdays: Assorted Fitness with Michelle 0879390980. Fridays: Pilates with Edel 0873140951

5 STEP SUPPORT SERVICE: Are you affected by the misuse of alcohol or other drugs by another individual? 5 Step Support can help you; it is a free, non-judgemental, one - one service. Putting your needs and wellbeing first, helping you manage often stressful, difficult and emotional issues. If you would like further information or an appointment, please contact 071 9150578 / 085 875 9319 or email sligoleitrim@alcoholforum.com. You don't have to be addicted to suffer from addiction!

BALLINAMORE LIBRARY EVENTS: ▪ **Craft in Company**: Join a friendly group of needle crafters every Thursday at 11-1pm for problem solving and a chat at Ballinamore Library. Refreshments Served. ▪ **Mum2Mum Breast Feeding Support Group** Meets on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of every month at Ballinamore Library 10-12pm. All new mums welcome (whether breast feeding or not). Refreshments served. For more information contact Nadia 086 8618460.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED URGENTLY: ALONE is currently seeking volunteers in your area. Full training and ongoing support are provided. To get involved, please sign up at: https://alone.ie/volunteers/
For more information, please contact Collette on 086 192 1505 or email Collette.Ferguson@alone.ie

THE IRISH CANCER SOCIETY: is seeking compassionate volunteer drivers to join our pool of drivers. If you can spare 2 days per month, have a valid driving licence, and a safe, reliable vehicle, you are the perfect candidate to make a significant difference. For further information, please contact Monica or Emily at volunteer@irishcancer.ie

LEITRIM YOUTHREACH: provides education and training opportunities for young people aged 15-20 who are looking to re-engage with education and build their future. Enrolment for LCA Programme now open. For further information, please contact: **Karen Murray** 071 968 6018/karenmurray@msletb.ie

WALKING FOR ALL: Free Weekly Walk organised by Leitrim Sports Partnership, funded by PEACEPLUS, meets TUESDAYS 10AM at THE BASIN BALLINAMORE. Accessible & social local walks lead by trained leader. Register at www.walkingforall.com. More information from dillon.keane@leitrimcoco.ie.

ALZHEIMER SOCIETY OF IRELAND – LOCAL SERVICES: A Day Service runs every Friday (9.30am–2.15pm) in Carrick-on-Shannon. The service offers dementia-specific care, including social activities, gentle therapeutic programmes, and support in a safe, friendly and welcoming environment. For details, contact Sinéad: 087 068 071

AUGHAWILLAN WHIST: second Tuesday of the month, 8:30pm in Aughawillan hall. New members welcome.

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

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

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.

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.

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-judgmental 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

SENIORLINE: a national telephone service for older people opens 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

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