

OUGHTERAGH / DRUMREILLY LOWER PARISH NEWSLETTER

23rd February 2025

Aughawillan - Aughnasheelin - Ballinamore & Corraleeahan

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BALLINAMORE – St. PATRICK'S CHURCH

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

Sat 22nd Feb 11am Maureen Dolphin & Tommy Dolphin
Eithne & Paddy Smyth (High Street)
Sun 23rd Feb 11am Sr Miriam Maloney (formerly Church St, and Sacred Heart Sisters, New Jersey) and
deceased members of the Maloney family.
Wed 26th Feb 7pm James Mawn (Glenfarne & Boston) Fr Mick Lally (Mayo)
Sat 1st Mar 11am Patsy & Mary Galligan (Dromore) and deceased family members.
Sun 2nd Mar 11am Miriam Martin (High Street) Months Mind
JP & Margaret O'Hara (Kilrush)

Eucharistic Adoration: Fridays 9.30am –10.30am

Eucharist Ministers 23rd Feb Patricia Griffin, James Maguire & James Óg Maguire, 2nd Mar Máirín Martin, Mona
Creamer & Liam McGovern, 9th Mar Patricia McGoldrick, Marian Quinn & Leigh Murphy

Ministers of the Word 23rd Feb Mary Conlon, 2nd Mar Mary McKiernan, 9th Mar Michael Dolan

Door Collectors: 23rd Feb Brendan Sweeney & Sean Kavanagh. 2nd & 9th Mar Seamus McTeague & PJ
Duignan. 16th & 23rd Mar Felim Maxwell & John Galligan

AUGHNASHEELIN - St. MARY'S CHURCH

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

Mass Intentions

Fri 21st Feb 7pm Joe & Imelda Lynch
Sat 22nd 8:15pm Terence Boyle (Tullybawn) and Terence & Brigid Boyle.
Fri 28th Feb 7pm Tom & Mary Prior, their daughter Mary Varilly and deceased family members.
Eileen Boyle (Tullybawn) and deceased members of the Boyle family.

*Stations of the Cross after 7pm Mass each Fri in Aughnasheelin for the Lenten period. Commencing Fri 7th Mar. Stations
will be led by lay persons. If interested in helping out please call Breda Mulvanerty 083763809.*

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

Eucharistic Ministers: 22nd Feb Mary Costello & Sheila O'Dowd, 1st & 8th Mar Laura Creaven & Gary Prior
Readers - Shirley Sammon & Maureen Keaney **Door Collectors -** John Pat Creamer & James McCaffrey

CORRALEECHAN - St. BRIGID'S CHURCH

Mass times: Wed 9:30am Sun 9.45am

Mass Intentions

Sun 23rd Feb 9:45am Thomas Patrick & Brigid McNiffe (Drumgowna) and all deceased family members
Sun 2nd Mar 9:45am Fr Larry Karney (Laragh) former C.C. of Corraleeahan

Eucharistic Ministers Teresa Maxwell, Annie McManus **Altar Society** Joanne Curnan, Bernie Dolan
Ministers of the Word Claire McNiffe, Laurence Fee **Door Collectors** Packie Maguire, Michael McGovern

AUGHAWILLAN – St. PATRICK'S CHURCH

Mass times: Sat 7pm

Mass Intentions

Sat 22nd Feb 7pm Bernie & Monica Prior (Glennanmore) and deceased members of the Prior and
Gallagher families
William, Mary, Stephen and Liam Gormley (Boeshill)
Sat 1st Mar 7pm Kathleen Campbell and deceased members of the Gallagher family, Killaphort.

Eucharistic Ministers Sinead Kiernan & Bernadette Mahon **Altar Society** Bernadette Mahon & Caroline McGovern
Ministers of the Word Kate McCauley & Aisling Quinn **Door Collectors** Charlie Kelly & Patsy McGovern

RECENT DEATHS: We pray for Peter Canning formerly of Lisnatullagh who died Sat 15th Feb in London. May his
soul rest in peace.

CONTACT DETAILS: If you are a Minister of the Word, Eucharistic Minister, Door Collector, Counter or you kindly
volunteer your time in any way in our parish, we would ask you to please supply your contact mobile phone number.
This information can be emailed to ballinamore@kilmorediocese.ie or phone the office, Mon, Thur or Fri with your
details. These numbers will only be used by the office to contact you. Thank you.

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

CHURCH ENVELOPES 2025 are available for collection in all churches. It would be appreciated if you would kindly collect your box of envelopes at your earliest convenience as they have been in use since the 5th January. Perhaps you would like to take one for your neighbour. If you are new to the parish please call the Parish Office on 071-9644039 or email, ballinamore@kilmorediocese.ie and we can assign you your own church envelopes. CHY3 forms are available in each church porch. They can be returned to the parish office. Thank you.

LAY PASTORAL MINISTRY JOURNEY BEGINS: On Saturday, February 15th, twenty-one dedicated participants of the Lay Pastoral Ministry Programme took their first step on a six-month journey of discernment at St. Aidan's, Derrylin. Representing over 19 different parishes, the group consists of eight men and thirteen women. As these individuals take this time to discern their call to ministry, let us keep them in our prayers. May they walk this path with courage and faith, secure in the wisdom of God, our loving Father.

BIBLE STUDY: Lenten Programme. 'Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible' study will commence on Tues 4th Mar 2025 from 8.30pm to 10.00pm in St. Joseph's Community Centre, Leitrim Village, N41PY51. This is a seven week course. All are welcome. Participants will meet every week at the same time.

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.



IMPORTANT DATES FOR 2025:

CONFIRMATION: will be celebrated Sat 15th of March in Ballinamore Church @ 11am

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION:

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

COMMUNITY NOTES

ATHLETIC CLUB: Training continues on Tues and Thurs at 7pm with present emphasis on Sports Hall Athletics. No training next Thursday evening due to the Sports Hall being unavailable. New members always welcome.

SCOIL CHLANN NA OFA, BALLINAMORE: is accepting applications for admission to our school for the 2025/26 school year. Please contact **071 964 5001** or email info@scoilchlannaofa.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.

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

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

CIORCAL NA MBAN GROUP: is currently running in Aughnasheelin Community Centre, with lots of interesting activities planned for the year ahead. This month's activities include mindfulness workshops, pickle ball. New members always welcome.

BALLINAMORE WHIST DRIVE: first Thurs of each month at 8:30pm in the Island Theatre. New members 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: Join us every other Tuesday from 10am-12pm. Featuring information and signposting, free refreshments, a space to talk and socialise, sewing and mending clothes, basic bike repairs and a swap shop (clothes, toys, books and plants). The event is free and everyone is welcome.

Upcoming dates: 11th & 25th March.

DRAMA FESTIVAL BALLINAMORE: From 2nd – 9th March, Drama Festival. Line up announced, Sun 2nd Mar The Dry House - Pomoroy Players, Mon 3rd Mar, Drama - free night, Tues 4th Mar The Weir - Upstage Players, Wed 5th Mar, The Last Days of Judas Iscariot - Clontarf Players, Thurs 6th Mar, A Whistle in the Dark - Corn Mill Theatre Group, Fri 7th Mar, Skylight - Wexford Drama Group, Sat 8th Mar, The Weir - Corofin Dramatic Society, Sun 9th Mar, Class - Glenamaddy Players. Season tickets and nightly tickets available from Murphy's Newsagents, or on the door.

ISLAND THEATRE BALLINAMORE: Upcoming events - Sharon Shannon in concert on Sat 15th Mar. Tickets €30 + booking fee. 29th Mar 8pm Comedian Gearóid Farrelly in Gearóid Rage, Tickets €20+ fees, available online from islandtheatre.ie.

BALLINAMORE MUSICAL SOCIETY PRESENTS: Sister Act, the musical. At the Island Theatre, Ballinamore. Nightly at 8pm on February 21st, 22nd, 23rd, 26th, 28th, and March 1st. Tickets available at islandtheatre.ie

BALLINAMORE FORÓIGE: Youth Club for 12-18 year olds. Registration evening Monday 24th February in Afterschool building from 6pm. For further information please call Jason 086-1084116.

REFLECTION

Jesus, Prince of Peace, you have asked us to love our enemies and pray for those who persecute us.

We pray for our enemies and those who oppose us.

With the help of the Holy Spirit, may all people learn to work together for that justice which brings true and lasting peace. To you be glory and honour for ever and ever. Amen ref Catholic.org

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

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

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**

JUBILEE YEAR 2025: In preparation for the Jubilee Year 2025, themed Pilgrims of Hope, which officially began on Christmas Eve at 7.00pm with the opening of the Holy Door at Saint Peter's Basilica in Rome, the Catholic Bishops of Ireland have launched an official Jubilee page on **CatholicBishops.ie**. This dedicated page will serve as a central hub for all Jubilee-related updates about events and activities taking place both in Ireland and around the world.

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: Fri 7th Feb 7.30pm–10pm & Sat 8th 10am– 5 pm. Friday 11th April 2025 7.30pm–10pm & Saturday 12th April 10 am–5pm. 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

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.

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LEITRIM FLEADH 2025 - Ballinamore will host this year's Fleadh event from April 25th - 27th.

Entries are now being taken and the **closing date is strictly Friday March 7th** for competition entries. Entry forms can be found online but if you have any difficulty please contact your music/dance teacher or branch secretary to get a form emailed to you. Branch secretaries and music teachers are the point of contact for collecting entries.

Laisir Gilbride (Ballinamore CCÉ) - laisirgilbride@hotmail.com / 086-179-2121

Fiona O'Reilly (Carrigallen / Ceol Alainn CCÉ) - fionao.reilly@hotmail.com / 086-861-4290

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Siobhan Sweeney (Glenfarne CCÉ) - siobhan.mcmorrow@gmail.com / 086-370-5262

Patricia Lee (Drumsna CCÉ) - patricialeee030@gmail.com / 087-631-5769

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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

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.

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

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 consultation service. Putting your needs and wellbeing first, helping you manage stressful, difficult and emotional issues. You don't have to be addicted to suffer from addiction! **M-PACT** supports the whole family, helping to improve relationships, communication and recovery. If you would like further information please contact **071 9150578** or **085 875 9319** or email sligoleitrim@alcoholforum.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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