

## OUGHTERAGH & DRUMREILLY LOWER PARISH NEWSLETTER

25<sup>th</sup> May 2025 *Aughawillan - Aughnasheelin - Ballinamore & Corraleeahan*

*26<sup>th</sup> St Philip Neri, 27<sup>th</sup> St Augustine, 29<sup>th</sup> St Paul VI Pope,  
30<sup>th</sup> St Joan of Arc, 31<sup>st</sup> Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

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### BALLINAMORE – St. PATRICK'S CHURCH

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

Sat 24<sup>th</sup> May 11am

James Dooner

Sun 25<sup>th</sup> May 11am

**Peter Martin** (1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary) and his wife **Eileen Martin** (Lahard).

**Sweeney family** (Tullyoscar) and **Felix McGoldrick** (Ardrum).

**Sonnie & Kathleen Maxwell** (Dromore) and all deceased family members.

Sat 31<sup>st</sup> May 11am

Carmel McTeague (Kiltygerry) and her grandparents John James & Annie and Mary & Packie McTeague.

Sun 1<sup>st</sup> June 11am

Margaret, Patsy & Gerry McKeon and deceased members of the McKeon and Hanley families.

Paddy O'Connor (Killaneen).

Francis Duignan and deceased members of the Duignan family (Main St).

Bernadette McLoughlin (Church St).

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

#### Eucharist Ministers

25<sup>th</sup> May, Brendan Sweeney & Eilis O'Dell 1<sup>st</sup> June, Michael Duignan, Peggy Ferguson & Máirín Martin, 8<sup>th</sup> June, Thomas Kelly, Mona Creamer & Deirdre Harvey

#### Ministers of the Word

25<sup>th</sup> May Kay Maguire, 1<sup>st</sup> June John D'Arcy, 8<sup>th</sup> June Siobhan Dolan, 15<sup>th</sup> June Alan Banks

#### Door Collectors:

25<sup>th</sup> & 31<sup>st</sup> May John O'Connell & David McBrien, 1<sup>st</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> June Damien O'Brien, Andy O'Rourke, Rory O'Rourke, 15<sup>th</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> June, Seamus Earley, Michael Fanning & Camillus Martin.

### AUGHNASHEELIN - St. MARY'S CHURCH

Mass times: Fri 7pm Sat 7pm

#### Mass Intentions

Fri 23<sup>rd</sup> 7pm

No Intention

Sat 24<sup>th</sup> 7pm

**!Change of mass time! May Sammon**

(Mass will take place at St Patrick's Well to mark Jubilee Year)

Fri 30<sup>th</sup> 7pm

No Intention

Sat 31<sup>st</sup> 8:15pm

People of the Parish

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

**Eucharistic Ministers:** 24<sup>th</sup> & 31<sup>st</sup> May Mary Rooney & Breda Mulvanerty, 7<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup> June Caroline Sammon & Kerry Meehan, 21<sup>st</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> June Maura Mulvey & Maureen Conway

**Readers:** (June) Kerry Meehan, Siobhan Earley

**Door Collectors:** (June) Brendan Sammon, Brendan Meehan, Niall Faughnan

### CORRALEECHAN - St. BRIGID'S CHURCH

Mass times: Wed 9:30am Sat 8:15pm

#### Mass Intentions

Sat 24<sup>th</sup> May 8:15pm

**!Change of mass time!**

**Pat & Francie Fox** and their parents **Mary Susan and Patrick Fox.**

Sat 31<sup>st</sup> May 7pm

Paddy & Margaret McTague (Stroke) and their son-in-law Patsy Guinan.

Deceased members of the McTague and Reilly families.

John & Mary Brigid Duignan (Derradda) and deceased members of the Duignan & Gilmore families.

**June: Eucharistic Ministers** Annie McManus & Teresa Maxwell **Altar Society** Kathleen McTague & Phyllis McTague

**June: Ministers of the Word** Damien Gilheany & Tracy McTague **Door Collectors** Pat Joe McNiffe & Damien Gilheany

### AUGHAWILLAN – St. PATRICK'S CHURCH

Mass times: Sun, 9:45am

#### Mass Intentions

Sun 25<sup>th</sup> May 9:45am

Pee, Brigid, Jack, Frank and Peter Prior (Lecken).

Celia & John Maxwell (Crockawaddy) and all deceased family members.

Sun 1<sup>st</sup> June 9:45am

Rita & Thomas Campbell (Aughawillan).

Mae & John Gallagher (Killaphort) and all deceased family members.

**June: Eucharistic Ministers** Michelle Dolan & Mary Farrell Quinn **Altar Society** Mairead O'Flaherty & Mary Farrell Quinn

**June: Ministers of the Word** Mary Quinn & Roisín Sexton Smith **Door Collectors** Pat McCauley & Peter Quinn

**MASS AT ST. PATRICK'S WELL AUGHNASHEELIN:** it is planned to celebrate a mass at St. Patrick's Well (weather permitting) on **Saturday May 24<sup>th</sup> at 7pm** and to keep in the spirit of a pilgrimage it is suggested that (for those who are able) to walk from the church to the well. Mass in Corraleeahan church that evening will be at 8:15pm.

**MARIAN MOVEMENT OF PRAYER FOR PRIESTS & FAMILIES:** as requested by Our Lady via interior Locutions to Fr Stefano Gobbi will take place on the **last Monday** of each month starting on June 30<sup>th</sup> 2025 after 7pm Mass in the Prayer Room, Ballinamore Church. All are welcome.

**ROSARY RALLY:** Knock Shrine, June 7th. Bus organiser Monica Tuite 086 8281727. Bus €20.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION:** Congratulations to all our children who made their First Holy Communion over the last couple of weeks. Thanks to all parents, teachers, choirs, organists and everyone who helped to make these celebrations so enriching for all present. A special word of gratitude to Breda, Marian, Terri and Patricia of, "Children of the Eucharist" who introduced the children to Eucharist Adoration. We invite all our First Communicants from our 3 schools along with their families to come along at 11am to Ballinamore church on 22<sup>nd</sup> of June (Feast of Corpus Christi) and join in the procession after mass. Mass for First Holy Communion children and their families in Knock Basilica at 12noon on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> June.

**FEAST OF PENTECOST:** On Pentecost Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> of June all families who have had a baby baptized since 1<sup>st</sup> of January 2024 to the present time are invited to attend 11am mass in Ballinamore Church. We also invite those who were confirmed in 2025 and their families to attend. At this mass, we celebrate the great Feast of Pentecost and the Birth of the Church. A special blessing will be administered to all the newly baptized and those confirmed in 2025.

**REV. FR JOHN PHAIR P.P. AND FR THOMAS KEOGAN:** Fr John Phair is celebrating his Golden Jubilee next month having been ordained to the Priesthood in 1975. To mark the occasion there will be a Concelebrated Mass in Kinlough on Sat 7th June at 7pm. Bishop Martin Hayes will be in attendance. The Concelebrated Mass on 7th June will be a Dual Celebration. We will also be celebrating the 60th Anniversary of our former Parish Priest, Fr Thomas Keogan's Ordination to the Priesthood. Fr Keogan has strong links to the Ballinamore area, having been Principal of St Felim's in the 1970s. After 7pm Mass there will be refreshments and presentations in local Community Centre in Kinlough.

**MARY'S MEALS:** A huge thank you to each and everyone who contributed to the collection for Mary's Meals last weekend. A total of €880 was collected. This means that 40 children will be provided with a meal in a place of education for a whole school year thanks to your generosity.

**GRATITUDE:** AONTÚ LIATROMA would like to most sincerely thank the generous contributors to their April church-gate collections in Carrick, Drumshanbo and Ballinamore.

### COMMUNITY NOTES

**ATHLETIC CLUB:** All are welcome to visit the enhanced Athletic Club 60th Anniversary Photographic exhibition in the Leitrim School of Art Building at the Junction as part of the Ballinamore Gathering project.

**AUGHNASHEELIN 5KM/10KM MAY WALK:** This Annual May Walk in aid of Cancer Research/North West Hospice will take place on **Sun May 25<sup>th</sup>** from Aughnasheelin Community Centre at **1pm**. Your support would be greatly appreciated. Registration is €10.00. Please join us in the Community Centre after the event for refreshments.

**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.

**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.

**COMMUNITY SERVICES HUB** from 10am-12noon in the Den, N41R522. Upcoming dates: 3<sup>rd</sup> June, 17<sup>th</sup> June, 1<sup>st</sup> July, 15<sup>th</sup> July, and 29<sup>th</sup> July.

🎵 **SUMMER CAMPS** 🎵: Teen Music Camp, for 12-16yrs, 1<sup>st</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> Jul, 10am 2pm, Fenagh Community Centre. 🎵  
🎵 Children's Music Camp, from 5yrs upwards, 15<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> July, 10am -1pm in Scoil Chlann Naofa, Ballinamore. For more details please contact: Susan on 0873178169 🎵

**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.

**SCIENCE SUMMER CAMP:** for 7 - 12yr olds in Ballinamore from the 21st - 24th July. Text or Ring 0861925895 for more details or to book your place. [www.stemtacular.ie](http://www.stemtacular.ie)

**GENTLE EXERCISE CLASS:** Exercise sessions conclude on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> June at 10am. In Ballinamore Old Primary School (beside the old convent & new national school), All welcome.

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

**SEAN O'HESLIN'S:** Cúl camps are sold out! Please contact Jenny 0867295883 to be added to the waiting list.

**MNÁ LE CHÉILE:** are delighted to announce that they are hosting the Connacht Gaelic4Mothers&Others Festival of Football 2025! Date: Saturday 21st June 2025. Venue: Ballinamore, Seán O'Heslins GAA, Co. Leitrim, N41 R7P1. Contact Michelle, Connacht Ladies Games Development Officer, email [gdo.connacht@lgfa.ie](mailto:gdo.connacht@lgfa.ie), for further details and to register.

### REFLECTION



Holy Spirit, dwell within me and guide me towards complete obedience to God's will.  
Grant me clarity when I face life's decisions, allowing me to discern Your voice above all else. Teach me to trust in Your plan, reaffirming my faith in Your unwavering provision. Ref: prayerguidelines.com

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## ADDITIONAL PARISH AND COMMUNITY ITEMS

**CEMETERY SUNDAY DATES:** **Corraleehan:** Sun July 27<sup>th</sup> mass at 12pm - **Aughnasheelin:** Sun Aug 3<sup>rd</sup> mass at 12pm - **Aughawillan:** Sun Aug 10<sup>th</sup> Mass at 9.45am - **Oughteragh:** Sun Aug 17<sup>th</sup> mass 1pm - **Priest's Graves:** Sept.7<sup>th</sup> following 11am mass.

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**TRINITY ISLAND – TRINITY SUNDAY:** In this Jubilee Year of Hope Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Martin Hayes on Trinity Island on Trinity Sunday, 15<sup>th</sup> June 2025 @ 3.00pm.  
All are welcome, particularly people from the Cavan Deanery. Information about other events for the Jubilee Year around the Diocese will be available soon.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION:** Mass for First Holy Communion children and their families in Knock Basilica at 12noon on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> June.

**YOUTH DIOCESAN TRIP TO KNOCK:** We are inviting young adults (ages 18–30) to *Dare to Hope*, a special faith event taking place on Sat, June 14<sup>th</sup> at the Youth Village, Knock Shrine. Enjoy a day filled with inspiring workshops. Guest speaker Fr. Conor McDonagh OP – Dominican friar and popular YouTube creator with the Irish Dominicans. Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Fintan Gavin. All details on the Knock website page. Phone: Jenny Harte: 087 922 5666 or email Martina Gilmartin, Co-ordinator of Ministry to Young People: [pastoralservices@kilmorediocese.ie](mailto:pastoralservices@kilmorediocese.ie)

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



**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](mailto: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.

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

**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.

**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](mailto: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](mailto:lindahalstead@homeyouthliaisonservice.ie) or 087 7917000

**PRE-MARRIAGE COURSE Dates 2025:** Next date is Friday 10<sup>th</sup> October 2025 7.30pm – 10.00pm & Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> Oct 10am–5pm. Courses take place in the Kilmore Diocesan Pastoral Centre, Cavan H12 E5C7. To book: [www.accord.ie](http://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](http://www.familycarers.ie).

**AUGHNASHEELIN GATHERING EVENT:** The Leitrim gathering weekend takes place from 23rd-25th May in the whole county, and here in Aughnasheelin we will have our local event on **Saturday 24th May**. This is a day to highlight old traditions of the area and will include demonstrations on boxty making and brown soda bread for anyone who would like to learn including the younger generation, so we don't lose the knowledge. These **demonstrations will run from 10am to 1pm**. Booking essential as places are limited. Text 086-6083516 to reserve a spot or book on Eventbrite. **The Ciorcal na mBan Group** will have their community coffee morning at 1pm. We will have a celebration of the work of our **Group Water Scheme in the 1960s**, including a video presentation, photos and memories. The weekend will continue on the Sunday with the **annual May Walk in aid of the North West Hospice & Irish Cancer Society at 1pm** - another nice community event that everyone is welcome to join in. Registration is €10.00 and it will finish off the weekend with a cuppa and treats in the community centre after walk.

**BALLINAMORE CAMINO:** 12<sup>th</sup> July. Registration is through [islandtheatre.ie](http://islandtheatre.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.

**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](mailto: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](mailto: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@stmarysnsaughnasheelin.com](mailto:office@stmarysnsaughnasheelin.com)

**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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**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](http://www.ivol.ie) or contact Claire @ [claire@volunteerleitrim.ie](mailto:claire@volunteerleitrim.ie)

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