

Aughawillan - Aughnasheelin - Ballinamore & Corraleeahan

29th July St Martha, St Mary & St Lazarus, 31st July St Ignatius, 1st Aug St Alphonsus

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BALLINAMORE - ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH

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

Mass Intentions

Sat 25 th July 11am	Bernadette Dolan (High St) Daniel Taylor (Months Mind)
Sun 26 th July 11am	Sean & Nora Gildea (Kiltymooden) Tommy (Spike) McCormack Jnr
Mon 27 th July 7pm	Sheila Cumiskey (Months Mind)
Wed 29 th July 7pm	Teresa Wood (Lahard) Memorial Mass
Sat 1 st Aug 11am	Johnny & Maura Beirne (Corrachole) and deceased members of the McGowan & McGovern families Bernadette McLoughlin (Church St)
Sun 2 nd Aug 11am	John Gooheen (2 nd Anniversary)

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

Ministers of the Eucharist: New Rota available in Sacristy. 26th July Máirín Martin, Mona Creamer & Liam McGovern, 2nd Aug Patricia McGoldrick, Marian Quinn & Leigh Murphy, 9th Aug Philomena Earley, Mary McWeeney & Aileen Wisley

Ministers of the Word: 26th July Mary Conlon, 2nd Aug Mary McKiernan, 9th Aug Michael Dolan

Door Collectors: 26th July John McWeeney, David Prior & Michael Duignan, 2nd & 9th Aug Michael Dolan & Louis Creamer

AUGHNASHEELIN

ST. MARY'S CHURCH

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

Mass Intentions

Fri 24 th July 7pm	Thomas Cafferty (formerly Stralongford & Luton) Memorial Mass
Sat 25 th July 8:15pm	Mick Prior (Gubnaveigh) his parents Michael & Celia Prior and all deceased family members
Fri 31 st July 7pm	Peter Reynolds (Aughlin) and deceased members of the Reynolds & McTigue families
Sun 2 nd Aug 12noon	Mass and Blessing of the Graves

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

Eucharistic Ministers: 25th July Maura Mulvey & Maureen Conway, 1st & 8th Aug Mary Costello & Sheila O'Dowd

Ministers of the Word: Terence Boyle & Karen Walsh

Door Collectors: Ollie Cull & Jerome McWeeney

CORRALEECHAN

ST. BRIGID'S CHURCH

Mass times: Sun 12noon, Wed 9:30am

Mass Intentions

Sun 26 th July 12noon	Mass and Blessing of the Graves
Sat 1 st Aug 7pm	Tommy Cassidy (Drumgowna) 1 st Anniversary
Eucharistic Adoration:	(Wednesdays 10am – 8pm, please come along and join us)

Eucharistic Ministers: Carol McNiff & Bernie Dolan

Ministers of the Word: Sean McGovern & Volunteer

Door Collectors: Declan McNiffe & John Carthy

AUGHAWILLAN

ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH

Mass time: Sun 9:45am

Mass Intentions

Sun 26 th July 9:45am	Geraldine Forde
Sun 2 nd Aug 9:45am	People of the Parish

Eucharistic Ministers: Des Quinn & Breege McCauley

Door Collectors: Gene Maguire & Seamus Quinn

Altar Society: Margaret Maguire & Eileen McTeague

Ministers of the Word: Kate McCauley & James Stringer

KILMORE DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK: Kilmore Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine will take place on **Saturday, the 8th of August 2026**. The Stations of the Cross and the Rosary will be celebrated at 2pm. Mass and the Anointing of the Sick will take place 3pm. Bishop Martin Hayes will be the Principal Celebrant. Oughteragh and Drumreilly Lower Parish will participate in the liturgy and the Sacred Music will be provided by the St Mary's Church Choir, Aughnasheelin, Co. Leitrim.

Bus to Knock will depart Ballinamore Church at 9am on the 8th of August.

Please contact Mary 087 7541234 to book your seat. Cost is €15 each.

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 **27th July, 2026** after 7pm Mass in Prayer Room Ballinamore Church. All are welcome.

PARISH FIVE FIRST SATURDAYS: 100-year Anniversary of Five 1st Saturdays Devotion 1926 – 2026 - Parish celebration continues with our third Saturday devotion on, **Saturday 1st August 2026**. We will have our usual Saturday morning Mass at 11am, followed by Confessions, Rosary and a 15-minute meditation. Our Lady promises that there will be *PEACE* and that *MANY SOULS* will be saved through this devotion.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCILS: As we prepare for the renewal of our Parish Pastoral Council this autumn, we continue our weekly series exploring the role, purpose and importance of the council in the life of our parish.

SHARED RESPONSIBILITY: The Parish Pastoral Council works in collaboration with the parish priest and supports a spirit of shared responsibility. It recognises that the life of the parish is not carried by one person alone, but by the whole community. By working together, the council helps create a sense of belonging and shared mission within the parish.

ANNUAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS 2025: please contact the Parish Office if you require your 2025 acknowledgement by emailing: ballinamore@kilmorediocese.ie and requesting it, or call to the Parish Office (opening hours below) and request a printed copy.

LEGION OF MARY: It would be wonderful to see a revival in the Legion of Mary in our Parish. If you have an interest in becoming involved please contact Oliver Donohue 087-6860663 and he will be glad to assist.

YOUTH 2000 SUMMER FESTIVAL | 13TH–16TH AUGUST: Calling all young people aged 16–35! Join us at the Youth 2000 Summer Festival in Newbridge College, Co. Kildare. This is a donation-only event, with **free buses available across the country and all meals included**. Expect inspiring talks and workshops, Youth Mass, music, prayer, and plenty of opportunities to chill out and meet other young Catholics. Whether you are new to the faith or looking to be refreshed, all are welcome. To register or find out more, visit youth2000.ie or follow @Youth2000Ireland.

CARE OF CREATION: Bishop Martin encourages every parish and church area to take initiatives to transform underutilised church grounds into biodiversity havens. With this in mind, we invite and encourage each church area to form a Care of Creation Team.

† **MULLAGHGARVE MASS ROCK MASS:** This Mass Rock is located on Sliabh an Iarainn, between Drumshanbo and Ballinamore. Mass will be celebrated there on Monday, August 3rd at 12 noon. A bus service will operate from Liscarban Hall (N41 K129), departing from 10am onwards, to Mass Rock Carpark. Walk to Mass Rock will begin at 11.15am. Walk in the footsteps of our ancestors who during Penal times gathered around these hidden altars to pray and keep their faith alive.

DRUMCONG BLESSING OF THE GRAVES: takes place following 11:30am mass on 2nd August.

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.

As we begin the annual blessing of the graves in our parish, it would be appreciated if family plots were tidied up in advance of Cemetery Sunday. Please bring a small bottle of Holy Water to bless your family graves.

COMMUNITY NOTES

ATHLETIC CLUB: Entries are now being taken on line through Eventmaster for the Festival Open 10K and 5K Roadraces on Sunday August 9th at 1.00pm. Early entry is advisable to ensure good competitions and prizes. Children's Under 10, 12 & 14 X 1500m entries taken that morning at the Island Theatre.

WOMEN'S WRITING GROUPS WITH JANE GILHEANEY: Ballinamore, Co. Leitrim, Thursdays, 6.30pm–8.30pm. €150 for a block of six sessions (usable over eight weeks). Advance booking essential – spaces are limited.

Contact: janegilheaney@gmail.com, 087 9412262 or www.facebook.com/janegilheaney.

BAWNBOY COMMUNITY FESTIVAL 31st JULY – 3rd AUG: **Friday** - car treasure hunt, festival opening, table quiz. **Saturday** - children's treasure hunt, pet show, fancy dress show. **Sunday** - vintage family fun day, music on the day. **Monday** - boat trip to St. Mogue's Island, Jampa Ling Buddhist Centre open day, ending with festival raffle. All funds raised go to cancer charities & local community services check Facebook Bawnboy community festival.

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 Ballinamore/Aughnasheelin/Aughawillan and Corraleehan areas. 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 Collette.Ferguson@alone.ie

MSLETB SEPTEMBER COURSE - MOHILL: We continue to take registrations for our new course, Future Skills with AI and Digital Business, starting September at Mohill Computer Training. This fully-funded course offers future-ready skills for employment, entrepreneurship and progression to further education. Contact us now to secure your place. Email eileen@mct.ie or call 071 9632024. Mohill Computer Training is on Local Link route 564, Eircode N41 Y4C0.

REFLECTION - PRAYER FOR VISITING A GRAVE IN A CEMETERY

God of our ancestors, Lord of the living, who visited Jesus within his grave and filled him with the fullness of eternal life, hear our prayer this day, as we come to this burial place.

With reverence, we visit this sacred shrine where our loved ones are placed within the womb of the earth, to await the final day of Glory. Lord, we have come on this pilgrimage of prayer to keep the flame of love alive within our hearts. As we read the names upon these grave stones, we rejoice because those names have been written for all ages in the palm of Your Divine Hand.

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 fourth Saturday devotion on 1st August after 11am mass.

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.**

ABIDE IN HIS LOVE WOMEN'S CONFERENCE: The Great Northern Hotel, Bundoran, 20–22 November 2026. Join women from across Ireland for a faith-filled weekend with inspiring speakers including Sarah Swafford, Danielle Noonan, Fr Mark Wharton, Fr Barry Braum, Fr Oisín Martin, the Dominican Sisters of Nashville, Bishop Fintan Gavin, and more. A conference not to be missed! Register now: <https://abideinhislove.eventbrite.com/>

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.

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

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

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

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

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 in Aughawillan hall. New members welcome.

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@scoilchlannnaofa.com for the enrolment pack. Application forms are also available to download from our website www.scoilchlannnaofa.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@stmarysnsaughnasheelin.com or contacting the office on 0719644868.

ISALAND THEATRE: 17th July - Kings of Kilburn High Rd.

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.

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@alzheimier.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

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.

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.

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.

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

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

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