OUGHTERAGH & DRUMREILLY LOWER PARISH NEWSLETTER

27th April 2025 Aughawillan – Aughnasheelin - Ballinamore & Corraleehan

28th Apr St Peter Chanel, St Louis Marie, 29th St Catherine of Siena, 30th St Pius V, 1st May St Joseph the Worker, 2nd St Athanasius, 3rd St Philip, St James.

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BALLINAMORE – St. PATRICK'S CHURCH

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

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**.
	Sonny Redican
Sun 27th Apr 2:30pm	***Devine Mercy Ceremony at 2:30pm, all welcome. (Confessions 2:00-2:30pm)***
Mon 28th Apr 7pm	**† Requiem Mass for Pope Francis, RIP. †**
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
Sat 3rd May 11am	No Intention
Sun 4th May 11am	Sean & Nellie Canning (Railway Terrace) and their daughter Olivia.
	Sonny & Rita McBrien (Curraghnawall)
	Charlie McCormack

Eucharistic Adoration: Fridays 9.30am –10.30am

Eucharist Ministers **27th Apr,** Philomena Earley, Mary McWeeney & Aileen Wisley. **4th May**, Maeve Sharpley, Mona Creamer **11th May** Alice Costello, Raymond McHugh & Marcella McKiernan, **18th May,** Evelyn McHugh, Marian Sharpley & PJ McLoughlin.

Ministers of the Word **27th Apr** Patricia McGoldrick, **4th May** Philomena Earley, **11th May** Patricia Griffin, **18th May** Ciara Creamer, **25th May** Kay Maguire, **1st June** John D'Arcy.

Door Collectors: **27th Apr & 4th May** Michael Dolan & Louis Creamer
11th & 4th May James Maguire, Seamus McGrath, Declan Cumiskey

AUGHNASHEELIN - St. MARY'S CHURCH

Mass times: Fri 7pm Sat 8:15pm

Mass Intentions

Fri 25th Apr 7pm	No Intention
Sat 26th 12 noon	Molly McTiernan (Miskawn)
Sat 26th 8:15pm	Paddy Flynn (1st Anniversary)
Sat 3rd May 8:15pm	Peter Shanley
	Charlie Egan (Aughlin) and all deceased members of his family

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

Eucharistic Ministers: **26th Apr & 3rd May** Sharon O'Dowd & Brandan Sammon,
10th & 17th May Terence Boyle & Kealen Mulvanerty, **24th & 31st May** Mary Rooney & Breda Mulvanerty.
Readers: Maedhbh McTeague, Cillian McWeeney & Daniel Murray
Door Collectors: Philip Roddy, Damien Kellegher & Thomas Prior.

CORRALEEHAN - St. BRIGID'S CHURCH

Mass times: Wed 9:30am Sat 7pm

Mass Intentions

Sat 26th Apr 7pm	Peter Prior (Months Mind)
Sat 3rd May 7pm	No Intention

St. Anthony's Collection Box: €313.62 paid forward to Franciscan Missions, Dublin. Many thanks for your donations.

Eucharistic Ministers Carmel McNiffe & Philomena Dolan **Altar Society** Damien Gilheany & Pat Joe McNiff
Ministers of the Word Assumpta Bohan & Kathleen McTague **Door Collectors** Gerard McGovern & Enda McNiff

AUGHAWILLAN – St. PATRICK'S CHURCH

Mass times: Sun, 9:45am

Mass Intentions

Sun 27th Apr 9:45am	Thomas Joseph Flanagan (Months Mind) formerly of Drumarigna and Kildare.
Sun 4th May 9:45am	**First Holy Communion –** John & Annie McGovern (Lambfield, Garadice)

Eucharistic Ministers Pat Stringer & Angela Sutherland **Altar Society** Patricia Deane & Mary O'Haire
Ministers of the Word Darragh Maxwell & Rachel Dolan **Door Collectors** Donal Flynn & Michael Flanagan

RECENT BAPTISM: We welcome Nicki Jules into our Christian Family and congratulate Nicki and her family on this joyous occasion.

NEW EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Any parishioner who would like to become a Minister of the Eucharist in their church area is invited to make contact with us at this time. Please phone Bernadette in the parish office on 071-9644039 or by email to ballinamore@kilmorediocese.ie. The Diocese will provide training for all new Eucharistic Ministers at the end of May/early June. If you wish to nominate a person you feel is suitable for this ministry, you are welcome to do so. We would be delighted to hear from you.

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

VISITATION OF THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND: Fr Sean will be in contact with you prior to his Thursday visit and Fr Moses will also be in contact prior to his visit on Friday.

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

TROCAIRE BOXES: **A gentle reminder to please bring in your Trócaire donations so that we can forward them to Trócaire. You can place your donations in the Trócaire envelope provided or in an envelope clearly marked for Trócaire. Your contributions are gratefully appreciated.**

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.

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

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION:

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

COMMUNITY NOTES

ATHLETIC CLUB: The track & field outdoor training season commences on Tuesday 29th with the Area Community Games at 6pm and full training for all Thursday at 7pm with new members welcome. ***The Club's 60th Anniversary celebrations take place on Monday May 5th starting at 1pm and all former club members welcome.***

****RETIREMENT CELEBRATION****: Veronica Smith, Postwoman is retiring after 40 years of dedicated service in our community. To mark this special occasion, a retirement function will be held on 10th May 2025 @ 9:30pm in Priors Bar, High Street. We invite everyone to come along and wish her well in retirement. Let's send Veronica off with the celebration she truly deserves.

COFFEE MORNING: Aughnasheelin Community Coffee morning takes place this Saturday 1-2pm in the community centre. All welcome

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.

TEA DAY: In support of the Alzheimer's Society, the Slieve Russell is hosting a Tea Day on Tues 29th Apr from 2.30pm to 4.30pm, to support those living with dementia and their families. Enjoy an afternoon of refreshments, live music, and warm company – all for a great cause. Everyone is welcome.

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

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.

ISLAND THEATRE: Leitrim County Fleadh 2025, Carlos Sweeney McCartin, Fri Apr 25th at 8pm. Tickets €20 adult, €8 child. Doors open 7pm.

GENTLE EXERCISE CLASS: Exercise session including seated and standing exercises for improved mobility, flexibility and balance. On Thursday's at 10am on the 8th & 22nd May and 5th June. 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, 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.

REFLECTION

As the disciples in the locked room reached out and touched you, let us reach out and touch you today, Lord Jesus. Let us feel your scarred hands and feet. Let us put our hands in your side. Let us be still and know that you are our Lord and our God. **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

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.

TRAINING FOR EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS AND MINISTERS OF THE WORD: Martina Gilmartin, Diocesan Director of Pastoral Development and Faith Formation will hold these sessions at the end of **May/June**. To ensure we can finalise the arrangements in good time, **please respond by email to pastoralservices@kilmorediocese.ie with your name and contact details before May 10th.**

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.

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 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.

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@stmarysnsaughnasheelin.com

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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