

OUGHTERAGH & DRUMREILLY LOWER PARISH NEWSLETTER

4th May 2025 *Aughawillan - Aughnasheelin - Ballinamore & Corraleeahan*

5th May, *Blessed Edmund Rice*, 8th *Blessed John Sullivan*, 9th *St George Preca*,
10th *St Comgall*,



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BALLINAMORE – St. PATRICK'S CHURCH

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

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

Thurs 8th May 9am Tommy & Rose Farrelly (Cornageeragh)

Sat 10th May 11am No Intention

Sun 11th May 11am Tessie & Fancie Flynn and their daughter Teresa Dowd

Brigid & Con Gallogly (Drumrane)

Eucharistic Adoration: Fridays 9.30am – 10.30am

Eucharist Ministers 4th May, Maeve Sharpley, Mona Creamer & Deirdre Harvey 11th May Alice Costello,

Raymond McHugh & Marcella McKiernan, 18th May, Evelyn McHugh, Marian Sharpley & PJ McLoughlin.

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

Door Collectors: 4th May Michael Dolan & Louis Creamer, 11th & 18th May James Maguire, Seamus McGrath, Declan Cumiskey, 25th & 31st May John O'Connell & David McBrien

AUGHNASHEELIN - St. MARY'S CHURCH

Mass times: Fri 7pm Sat 8:15pm

Mass Intentions

Fri 2nd May 7pm No Intention

Sat 3rd May 8:15pm Peter Shanley

Charlie Egan (Aughlin) and all deceased members of his family

Fri 9th May 7pm Mary Creamer (Drumbibe)

George White (Derrinkeher McDonald) and all deceased family members

Sat 10th 8:15pm John, Mary & Pat Creamer (Castleroggy)

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

Eucharistic Ministers: 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.

CORRALEECHAN - St. BRIGID'S CHURCH

Mass times: Wed 9:30am Sat 7pm

Mass Intentions

Sat 3rd May 7pm No Intention

Sat 10th May 7pm Colette Prior (Derradda)

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 4th May 9:45am **First Holy Communion** – John & Annie McGovern (Lambfield, Garadice)

Frank McTague (Stralohan) and deceased family members

Sun 11th May 9:45am No Intention

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

NEW EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Our thanks to all Eucharistic Ministers who serve in our parish community. We wish to expand our panel of Eucharistic Ministers in the four church areas. Nomination slips are available at the rear of the church. Please return your nomination slip to the parish office or to the priest at weekend masses. The ministry is open to any person aged 16 years or older. The Diocese will provide training for all new Eucharistic Ministers at the end of May/early June

PUBLIC ROSARY: In honour of our Lady of Fatima there will be a public recitation of the Rosary at 3pm on Saturday 10th May, outside St Patrick's Church, Ballinamore. Please come along and join in praying for our Blessed Lady's intentions and for the success of the Papal Conclave and election of a new Pope.

MASS AT ST.PATRICK'S WELL AUGHNASHEELIN: As part of our celebrations for the Jubilee Year of Hope it is planned to celebrate a mass at St. Patrick's Well (weather permitting) on Saturday May 24th. This will coincide with The Aughnasheelin Gathering Event which takes place that weekend. The mass is scheduled for 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. More details next week. Mass in Corraleehan church that evening will be at 8:15pm.

THE MARIAN MOVEMENT FOR PRIESTS: is a church movement founded in 1972 by Italian, Fr Stefano Gobbi. This is a worldwide movement including priests and laity who gather once a month to pray for vocations, imploring the help of Mary and the Holy Spirit to renew the church. All are invited to attend the first meeting of the cenacle, (a word for the upper room where Mary and the Apostles gathered before Pentecost) which will take place in St Brigid's Prayer room in Ballinamore Church on Wed 21st May following 7pm mass.

BALLINAMORE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT: The Capuchin Missions wish to Acknowledge and sincerely thank all parishioners for the recent contribution to the Irish Capuchin Missions in the amount of **€615.00**. With every good wish and Blessings, Br. Joe Gallagher, OFM CAP, Kilkenny Friary. Your generosity to our missions in Zambia and South Africa is of immense value to the Christian communities we serve there.

TROCAIRE BOXES: A final 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.

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 - **Priest's Graves:** Sept.7th following 11am mass.

PADRE PIO PETITIONS: A box for petitions, will be left in the Padre Pio side altar this weekend. All petitions will be brought to the tomb of Padre Pio and offered up during Mass which is being said there in the course of pilgrimage taking place from the 20th to 28th May.

OUGHTERAGH PARISH - LOUGH DERG: One day retreat for our parish takes place on Sat 23rd August 2025. For more information or bookings contact the parish office 071-9644039 or 087-9610911.

COMMUNITY NOTES

*****CAKE SALE***** Takes place directly after 11am mass on Sun 4th in Ballinamore, opposite the church at the courthouse. Proceeds to Irish Motor Neuron Disease Foundation. Your support is greatly appreciated.

CONGRATULATIONS: and best wishes to Ballinamore Athletic Club on the occasion of their 60th Anniversary.

ATHLETIC CLUB: Ballinamore Athletic Club 60th Anniversary Celebrations on Monday 5th May. Commencing at 1pm with the unveiling of a Commemorative Plaque to Bill Britton at the AIB. Then, at 1:45pm presentations to former club officers and International Athletes plus photographic exhibition in The Den. Afterwards, at 2pm Track & Field Sports at St Felim's. All 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.

DARKNESS INTO LIGHT: Ballinamore Community School is proud to once again host the annual Darkness Into Light Walk. While the event is organised by the school, it is a whole-community occasion, open to all. The walk takes place at 4.15am on Saturday 10th May 2025 starting and finishing at the school. Together, we walk 5km towards the sunrise to show our support for everyone in our community who is affected by mental health challenges. This powerful event reminds us that there is hope, help, and light even in the darkest moments. Register now at: www.darknessintolight.ie

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.

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.

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

Gracious and loving God, we thank you for the gift of our priests. Through them, we experience your presence in the sacraments. Help our priests to be strong in their vocation. Set their souls on fire with love for your people. Grant them the wisdom, understanding, and strength they need to guide their flock in following the footsteps of Jesus. **Amen** Ref: Prayer for Priests | USCCB

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

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, 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 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.

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.

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.

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.

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@stmarysnaughnasheelin.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

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

76THE 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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