BALLINAMORE /DRUMREILLY LR. PARISH NEWSLETTER

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All <u>Weekend and Week Day Masses</u> are cancelled until further notice.

Live Streaming of Mass

From St. Patrick's Church, Ballinamore

Mon & Wed 7pm, Tues Thurs & Fri 9am, Sat 11am & 7pm, Sun 11am (Please note an extra online mass from Ballinamore Church on *Saturday evening at 7pm*. This is only a temporary arrangement until Covid 19 restrictions are lifted on indoor gatherings.)

Log on to <u>churchtv.ie</u> Select "Ballinamore" & join us live at the above mass times

Church Notes

<u>Parish Office:</u> The Parish Office will be open Tuesday & Friday. Please contact 071 9644039 or email: ballinamore@kilmorediocese.ie

<u>Deaths</u>: We pray for the soul of John Owens, Corlough (brother of Gabriel Owen) whose funeral took place during the week. Our sympathy to his family.

Return to Mass: Public Worship in Ireland is now due to return on Monday June 29th. The following weekend of July 4th /5th we hope to celebrate a public mass with limited numbers in all our churches at the usual times. As we look forward in joy and hope to the reopening of our churches we need patience, perseverance and self-sacrifice.

We hope that the return of communal worship will give new heart to our priests and parishes and that in spite of the inevitable limitations to our celebrations we may all be confirmed in faith and in our ministry.

For our familie, our domestic churches this has been a difficult time, especially in homes where the joyful celebrations of First Communion, Confirmation and other sacraments had been happily anticipated. In our own parish here following consultations with the teachers we will then hope to announce dates for Confirmation and First Communion.

Last Tuesday the Bishops of Ireland issued a framework document (some of which is included in the above item) outlining the various measures that need to be implemented in each church before the commencement of public masses.

They suggest that each church should have a group of volunteers who will help to plan, implement and manage the transition back to full parish life and the celebration of the sacraments. In this regard they appeal particularly to the younger members of our parishes. Their energy, creativity and enthusiasm are gifts that our communities need more than ever.

With this in mind Church area meetings are planned for the following dates:

Aughnasheelin: Monday June 15th 8.30pm in Church. Ballinamore: Wednesday June 17th 8.30pm in Church. Corraleehan: Thursday June 18th 8.30pm in Church. Aughawillan: Monday June 22nd 8.30pm in Church.

<u>Tax Rebate Forms for Aughawillan & Corraleehan</u>: Aughawillan & Corraleehan parishioners were issued with new Tax Rebate Forms along with their annual statement of contributions to the church. We would ask you to kindly please complete & return them to the Parish office, Convent rd, Ballinamore as soon as possible so we can make our annual return & claim this valuable income from any Tax Rebates available on church donations.

<u>Kilmore Diocesan 'Virtual' Pilgrimage to Knock</u> will take place on Sunday, the 21st of June. Pilgrims are welcome to join the afternoon ceremonies from their homes. The schedule for the afternoon will include the praying of the Rosary at 2.30pm, followed by Mass and Benediction at 3pm. In advance of the day, pilgrims may place their petitions online on the Knock Shrine website and these will be placed on the altar for the Mass. Many pilgrims light candles for loved ones and their intentions during their visit to Knock Shrine and this service is also available online. A candle will be lit at the outdoor candelabra for each request received. The pilgrimage will be streamed live on www.knockshrine.ie and Radio Maria (Saorview TV Channel 210) will also broadcast the pilgrimage.

Community Notices

COVID-19 Support Line for Older People

ALONE has launched a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to the outbreak of COVID-19 (Coronavirus). Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open seven days a week, 8am - 8pm, by calling 0818 222 024.

Mohill Computer Training

QQI Level 5 Computing Programme - Starting September 2020

Are you looking to upskill, gain employment or access further education? Mohill Computer Training are here to help. We are now recruiting for our full-time QQI Level 5 Computer Applications for the Workplace starting in September 2020. Training allowances available for eligible participants.

Part Time level 3 Computer Literacy – Starting September 2020

Are you looking to upskill? Then our part time QQI Level 3 is just for you. Gain the confidence to operate a computer safely, learn key terminology and obtain a basic understanding of how to use a computer including getting online.

Email info@mct.ie or call 0719632024 for further information.

Reflection

Let your boat of life be light, packed only with what you need –
A homely home and simple pleasures, one or two friends worth the name,
Someone to love and to love you, a cat, a dog,
enough food to eat and enough to wear

Jerome K Jerome

All New items for the Newsletter should be dropped into the Parish Office, Convent Road or emailed before 12 noon Thursdays to ballinamore@kilmorediocese.ie. The editor reserves the right to edit or omit items according to suitability of content & space in the newsletter