

BALLINAMORE /DRUMREILLY LR. PARISH NEWSLETTER

Sunday 17th January 2021 (2nd Sunday O.T)

(Feast Days :) Wed 20th St. Fabian & St. Sebastian, Thurs 21st St. Agnes)

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St. Mary's Church Aughnasheelin**

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Ballinamore St. Patrick's Church: Mon & Wed 7pm, Tue Thurs Fri 9am

Mass Intentions

Sun 17th Jan 11am	Brendan Gormley, Fohera (1 st Anniversary) Bernie & Mary Prior (Derrinever) and deceased members of The Prior & McGovern Families Patrick Francis McGovern, his parents Patrick & Roseanne McGovern & deceased family members (Drumderg) Fr Seamus Duffy
Mon 18th Jan 7pm	Lizzy Cafferty, Stralongford
Tue 19th Jan 9am	Patrick Joyce, Anville Court (2 nd Anniv)
Wed 20th Jan 7pm	Paddy Crossan, Tully (Months Memory)
Sat 23rd Jan 11am	Breda McGowan, England
Sun 24th Jan 11am	Frankie Beirne, High Street Pat & Molly (Mary) Creamer, (Lahard) their daughter Kathleen Rytter (Denmark) & granddaughter Annette Power, Limerick Michael Keegan (Lahard), granddaughter Saoirse & deceased family members

Aughnasheelin, St. Mary's Church: Fri & Saturday 7pm

Mass Intentions

Sat 16th Jan 7pm	Carmel McManus, Mullinasella
Fri 22nd Jan 7pm	Mick & Betty Gilhooley (Foxwood) & their son Pat Gilhooley
Sat 23rd Jan 7pm	Eileen Boyle nee Shanley (Tullybawn) Aileen & Frank Flynn (Derrynawana) & Tom Joe Flynn (Drumenawn)

Baptisms: We welcome Roslyn Kate Sheehan & Georgina Elizabeth Kavanagh into our Christian Community as they recently received the sacrament of Baptism. Congratulations to their parents.

Church Notes

Parish Office Closure

Due to Covid restrictions the office will remain closed for the coming weeks. All contact to be made via phone 071 96440039 or email : ballinamore@kilmorediocese.ie

When leaving a message please leave details and a contact number so we can return your call as soon as possible.

As you are aware all masses have been cancelled to the public again due to Covid restrictions but we will continue to broadcast masses live from Ballinamore and Aughnasheelin churches. All Weekend Masses booked for Aughawillan will be included in the Aughnasheelin mass on the Saturday evening 7pm and Corraleehan intentions will be included in the Ballinamore Sunday masses 11am. If you would prefer to cancel your family mass for another time then please let us know in advance of the date. We will continue to keep you updated with our weekly newsletter which is available each weekend in all churches. God bless and stay safe.

Survivors of Mother & Baby Homes

The head of the Catholic Church in Ireland has “unreservedly” apologised to the survivors of the country's mother and baby homes. Eamon Martin, the Archbishop of Armagh, said the Church was a part of a culture in which people were stigmatised. Following the publication of a report by the Commission of Investigation into Ireland's mother and baby homes on Tuesday, the senior cleric said the Church should acknowledge fostering what the report described as a harsh, cold and uncaring atmosphere.

“As a Church leader today, I accept that the Church was clearly part of that culture in which people were frequently stigmatized, judged and rejected,” he said.

“For that, and for the long-lasting hurt and emotional distress that has resulted, I unreservedly apologise to the survivors and to all those who are personally impacted by the realities it uncovers.”

Community Notices

Sean O’Heslin New Year Draw

AGM : This years AGM will take part on the 30th of January at 18:00. Due to Covid restrictions the AGM will be conducted remotely using Microsoft Teams. If you would like to attend the AGM please forward your email to club secretary Patsy Connaughton at pconnaughton@cavancoco.ie or Secretary ballinamoreseanoeheslins.leitrim@gaa.ie

Annual New Year Draw : Folks, In light of the current COVID restrictions we have reluctantly taken the decision to defer the draw that was due to take place on Saturday January 9th. We hope to be able to provide you with details on the new date in the coming weeks, tickets are still on sale and can be purchased from club members or by contacting Michael on 0863906791 all tickets purchased already are valid for when the draw takes place.

Leitrim 50 miles in January : Almost 1,000 people are doing it for Leitrim GAA, don't miss out as it's not too late to begin the Challenge and follow in the footsteps of many of our club mates. the facebook page is here:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/50milesinjanuarychallenge>

ATHLETIC CLUB

The training programme which the Club operated so successfully during the pre Christmas period is not now permitted under the enhanced Covid restrictions. When these are modified training will again resume and all interested will be notified.

Christmas Light:

As with Covid restrictions we were not permitted to hold our Annual Christmas lights collection.(we do hope to hold it during the year at some stage) if you wish to contribute to the lights fund. You can put your donation into the credit Christmas lights acc. Or simply put it in an envelope and post it into the Poor Scholar Pub. Please... if you choose put your name on it as we like to thank people.

To finish off we would like again to thank everyone involved in this super display.. our volunteers and those who supply the electricity needed to light the streets. Without all of these people this would not be possible. You will be glad to know like some other towns. We will be leaving some of our lights on to help you get through the month of Jan and this new lock down... You might do the same at home and add to help keeping things bright.

Wishing you all, all the best look after each other and keep safe. Christmas Lights Committee

Scoil Chlann Naofa is now accepting enrolments for September 2021. Due to Covid 19 restrictions we are asking parents who are enrolling their child this year to contact the school via email with their child's details and postal address. We will then forward the enrolment pack to you. Our email address is info@scoilchlannaofa.com. Many thanks.

Aughnasheelin N.S

St Mary's N.S Aughnasheelin are now taking enrolments for September 2021. Enrolment forms are now available by e-mailing: info@stmarysnaughnasheelin.ie or contacting the principal Jerome Quinn 087 9456887 Closing date for applications is Friday 29th January.

Aughawillan N.S

Aughawillan N.S are now taking Enrolments for September 2021, Enrolment forms are now available by e-mailing: aughawillanns@gmail.com. Closing date for applications is Friday 22nd January 2021.

FREE INTERNET CLASSES

Now more than ever it is important to have internet skills and to keep in touch with family and friends so Age Action is offering 5 hours of free remote tutoring by phone / video call to help older people use their smartphone, computer, tablet or ipad. The programme called Getting Started KIT takes place in your own home at a time that suits you and includes a free guide. For further information call 091 527831 or e-mail gettiingstartedgalway@ageaction.ie.

A Prayer for Healing

Lord, You invite all who are burdened to come to You.

Allow Your healing Hands to heal me.

Touch my soul with Your compassion for others.

Touch my heart with Your courage and infinite Love for all.

Touch my mind with Your Wisdom, that my mouth may always proclaim Your praise.

Teach me to reach out to You in all my needs, and help me to lead others to You by my example.

Most loving Heart of Jesus, bring me health in body and spirit that I may serve You with all my strength.

Touch gently this life which you have created, now and forever.

Amen.