

## **BALLINAMORE /DRUMREILLY LR. PARISH NEWSLETTER**

*Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> April 2020 (Divine Mercy Sunday)*

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**All Weekend and Week Day Masses**  
**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 churchtv.ie**

**Select "Ballinamore" & join us live at the above mass times**

### **Church Notes**

**Recent Deaths:** We pray for the souls of Mai Burns (sister of Sr. Anna Ballinamore,) Angela Masterson sister of Fr. Oliver O Reilly , Ballyconnell, Brendan Kelly brother of Fr. Oliver Kelly Manorhamilton. Patsy McKenna, Bronx, New York, brother of Andrew McKenna , Edentenny, Ballinamore, who died recently in the US, Margaret Quinn Aughawillan whose funeral took place last Monday and Thomas Cosgrove Dunleer Co.Louth (formerly Church St & brother of Rosaleen Joye & the late Lilly McGovern). May they rest in peace. Our sympathy to their families.

**Baptism:** We welcome Cian Francis O'Brien into our Christian Community as he received the sacrament of Baptism last weekend. Congratulations to his parents.

**Eucharistic Adoration** : Adoration has been cancelled in all churches. People are welcome to call to the church for individual prayer, make a visit to the blessed sacrament or light a candle. We advise all parishioners to please use hand gel or wipes when entering or leaving the church which are available in the porches.

#### **Trocaire Donation.**

Donations to the Trocaire collection box in the church porch were recently forwarded to Trocaire , Maynooth, total donation of €173.70 has been acknowledged and appreciated.

**Due to the times we are currently living in, we would ask you when remembering Trócaire this year, please drop contributions into Fr Seán's, Parochial House, Convent Rd. Thank you**

#### **Capuchin Missions.**

To Ballinamore Parish – Sincere thanks to you all for your contributions to the Capuchin Missions in the amount of €184.15 , with every good wish and Blessings, Br. Joe Gallagher, OFM CAP, Raheny Friary.

(All donations to the St. Anthony's collection box in the church porch go to the Capuchin Missions.)

**Feast of Divine Mercy** : This Sunday is Divine Mercy Sunday and The Novena ends with blessing and veneration of Divine Mercy Image ,chaplet prayers and adoration in Ballinamore church beginning at 2pm. You may join us on line by logging into Church tv.ie and select Ballinamore. On mercy Sunday Our Lord asked that the image of the merciful Saviour be blessed and venerated and that Sr.Faustina have an image painted with the words;" Jesus , I trust in you" so as to draw mercy from the infinite ocean of God's mercy.

**A Word of Thanks:** A sincere word of thanks to all who assisted in any way in our churches in the lead up to and during Holy Week and Easter Ceremonies.Our thanks to the sacristans, the organist, singers, readers and to all who participated in our online ceremonies. A special thank you to all who decorated the churches so beautifully and so appropriately for each ceremony.

**Collection of Trocaire , Offertory and Dues Envelopes:** While we are well aware that these are difficult and challenging times and a strain on financial resources for many families. Some parishioners have expressed a wish to continue to make their normal contributions and wonder how this might be done . A few suggestions were made to me during the week, The most practical one I think is that if the collectors in each church area would arrange to be in their church between 8 to 8:30pm of a Saturday evening and parishioners come along then to the church and hand in their contributions. This arrangement could also take place in Ballinamore Church again after the 11am mass on a Sunday. Thanks to the parishioners who have already left in their contributions especially the Trócaire envelope to the parochial House Convent Road.

**Collectors for April 26<sup>th</sup>**

**Ballinamore :** April 26<sup>th</sup> & May 3<sup>rd</sup>: Seamus McTague, Michael Gillen, PJ Duignan, Eugene Maxwell

**Aughnasheelin :** Seamus McWeeney, Paddy Beirne, Philip McTeigue

**Corraleeahan:** Frank McCabe & Peter Prior

**Aughawillan:** Frank Kelly & Ciaran McBrien

**St.Patrick's Church Aughawillan** is looking splendid after its recent internal painting and restoration. Well done to the Church Committee and thanks for all the positive comments. While it awaits external painting and a few items to complete its restoration please feel free to visit the church BUT OBSERVE THE COVID 19 restrictions.

The restoration of the Stations of the Cross has attracted most people's attention and I think all will agree that this is a work of art and restores the stations to their original appearance.

Donations towards the restoration of the stations and other items connected with the refurbishment of the church are very much appreciated. The cost of restoration of each station is €300. The Committee wish to thank those who have already made a donation. If you or your family would like to make a donation in memory of a loved one please contact Fr.Sean or any member of the committee. A suitable plaque with the names of those you wish to be remembered will be placed in an appropriate place in the church.

**Parish Office:** The Parish Office will be closed to the public but still contactable by

Phone 071 9644039 or email: [ballinamore@kilmorediocese.ie](mailto:ballinamore@kilmorediocese.ie)

### **Community Notices**

**Need help in Leitrim during the COVID-19 crisis.** A COVID-19 Community Outreach Champion is now available in your county to link local community groups and volunteers to those people cocooning or in need of support at this time. You can contact your local Champion for County/City, Karen Dolan, on 0877167593 or email [kdolan@ldco.ie](mailto:kdolan@ldco.ie). The Local Authority helpline is 071-9650473 and is open from 8am-8pm 7 days a week.

**Accord:** Conscious of those who are experiencing difficulties in their relationships and family lives during the COVID-19 pandemic, Accord has set up a support line where callers can talk to experienced couples and relationship counsellors. Please contact 01 5313331 Mon to Friday 9am -8pm

**Béal an Átha Móir Seán Ó hEislin Help if needed**

Folks as part of the response to the COVID emergency BSOH are working with Leitrim county council to help provide support to people in our community. We have compiled a list of volunteers from the club who will try and assist you if required. Don't be afraid to call on any of the following members who will help where possible. Michael McTague (086) 390 6791, Ber Hamill (086) 898 5997, Joe Feeley (086) 830 1169, Anthony O'Donnell 087 931 7983, Joe Honeyman 086 3823199, Fiona Reynolds 087 251 7248, Patsy Connaughton 087 6846578, Anne Shanley 086 853 8412, Celia Donoghue 087 6662111, Denis Dolan 085 730 3163, John Fanning 087 649 0198, Conor Harte 086 1706271, Helena Darcy 087 237 8514, Janet McManus 086 8490497. If anyone else would like to offer assistance Patsy Connaughton is coordinating and will forward those names to leitrim county council as part of the local community response. Anyone interested send him your details to (087) 684 6578 and please forward to any other club members.

**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.

### **Reflection**

*O Christ, our Morning Star,  
Splendour of Light Eternal,  
Shining with the glory of the rainbow,  
Come and waken us from the greyness of our apathy,  
and renew in us your gift of hope.*

***(Prayer of St Bede the Venerable)***