

BALLINAMORE/DRUMREILLY LOWER PARISH NEWSLETTER

Sunday 21st March 2021 (5th Sunday of Lent) (Feast Days) 25th March the Annunciation of the Lord

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St. Mary's Church Aughnasheelin

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Ballinamore St. Patrick's Church: Mon at 7pm, Tues, Weds, and Fri, at 9am, Sat, & Sun at 11am

Mass Intentions

- Sun 21st Mar. 11 am** Phil and Lily McGovern, and deceased members of the McGovern Family
Alfie Vickery, and Michael and Mary Cunnion
Mary Kate and Andrew Heavey, Moher, and deceased members of the Heavey Family
- Mon 22nd Mar 7 pm** John and Mary Bridget Duignan, Derradda
- Sat 27th Mar. 11 am** Maria Harte/Hanifan, Lahard
- Sat 27th Mar. 1 pm** Joseph Cryan (**Months Mind**), Kiltymooden
- Sun 28th Mar. 11 am** Michael and Maureen O'Hara, Aghadark
Patrick and Margaret Wynne, Drumrane, their daughters Philomena Kelly and (son) Philip,
and Noreen and (husband) Peter Cody
Micheál Prior (1st Anniversary) Lisacarn/Tráthnóna, Ballinamore
- Mon 29th Mar. 7 pm** Margaret and Tommy Costello (Anniversary Mass), Ardrum

Aughnasheelin, St. Mary's Church: Wednesday, Friday and Saturday at 7pm

Mass Intentions

Sat 20th Mar. 7 pm Sadie and Francie Mulvey, Donnie Green

Sat 27th Mar. 7 pm People of the Parish

Lenten Retreat: "Journeying with Jesus" every Wednesday after 7pm In Aughnasheelin Church (webcam)
This is followed by adoration from 8:30pm to 10:30pm.

Adoration & Stations of the Cross every Friday after 7pm mass in Aughnasheelin Church.

Recent Deaths: Please pray for the souls of **Jean O'Brien, Tráthnóna**, who's funeral took place on Tuesday last, and **Sean McNiff, Corraleehan**, who's funeral takes place at 12 noon (Sunday) in St Bridget's Church, Corraleehan. **May they Rest In Peace**

Church Notes

PARISH OFFICE CLOSURE

Due to Covid restrictions the office is closed. Contact us on 071 9644039 email: ballinamore@kilmorediocese.ie

On leaving a message please leave details and a contact number so we can return your call.

All masses have been cancelled to the public, but we will continue to broadcast masses live from Ballinamore and Aughnasheelin Churches. Weekend Masses booked for Aughawillan are included in the Aughnasheelin mass on the Saturday evening 7pm, and Corraleehan intentions are included in the Ballinamore Sunday mass 11am. If you want to cancel your family mass for another time then please let us know. The weekly newsletter will continue, and is available each weekend in all churches. **God Bless and Stay Safe.**

VISITATION OF THE SICK FOR EASTER The priests will contact you in advance and arrange a time with you. In the meantime, please feel free to contact any of the priests if you so wish.

ENVELOPE COLLECTION IN ST PATRICK'S CHURCH AUGHAWILLAN

On Saturday 27th March between 7 -7.30 pm. Collectors Paddy Deane and Gerry Flanagan

TRÓCAIRE: A gentle reminder to collect your Trócaire Box, available in the porch of each church.

PARISH LENTEN RETREAT - 'JOURNEYING WITH JESUS' Our Lenten retreat, 'Journeying with Jesus' continues each Wednesday night starting with mass at 7pm from St. Mary's Church, Aughnasheelin. This week our scripture passage is 'the raising of Lazarus' and you will find it in your bibles in John 11:1-45. Please join in with us if you can. Any questions/queries or comments can be emailed to martinapastoralworker@gmail.com

SUNDAY 28TH MARCH PALM SUNDAY

Blessed palm: Palm Sunday marks the beginning of Holy Week. Traditionally people place blessed palms in their homes and out houses. . Blessed Palm can be collected in the porch of each church on Sunday 28th.

CHANGE OF MASS TIMES. Normally we have a change of mass times on the first weekend of April. This will not happen this year until public worship is allowed and mass resumes in each church.

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER CEREMONIES.

1st April **Holy Thursday: Mass of the Lords Supper** 7pm Aughnasheelin and 8pm Ballinamore

2nd April **Good Friday: Celebration of the Lord's Passion** 3pm Ballinamore and 7pm Aughnasheelin

3rd April **Holy Saturday: Easter Vigil** 7pm Aughnasheelin and 8:30pm Ballinamore

4th April **Easter Sunday: Easter Sunday Mass** 10am Aughnasheelin and 11 am Ballinamore

CONFESSIONS: Due to Covid 19 restrictions we cannot hold our usual penitential service on the evening of Palm Sunday in preparation for Easter. However at 7pm mass on Monday March 29th in Ballinamore and the 7m pm mass on Wednesday March 31st in Aughnasheelin a short guided penitential service will take place and those watching on line will be invited to make a personal act of contrition as they express sorrow for their sins.

Community Notes

AFFORDABLE LIVE-IN HOMECARE

Provides live-in care for the elderly in your area. If you are looking for a live-in Carer for your relative, please call **Eileen or Tom** on **087 9916791 or 087 7440729**. Our website is www.alhomecare.ie

FREE JOB HUNTING & INTERVIEW TIPS AND TECHNIQUES WITH LEITRIM LIBRARY

Join a FREE Lunchtime Webinar with Joe Morris from CATTs Ireland, **Wednesday 24th March 12.30 – 1.30pm** online via Zoom. Topics to include: Deciding which jobs to apply for, Preparing for interview (what to do in advance, and on the actual day), online and in-person, Suggested approach to interview, Suggested after the interview checklist. To book your place call: **071 9645582** or Email: leitrimlibrary@leitrimcoco.ie

ALSO, TAKE THE STRESS OUT OF WORKING FROM HOME: avoid pitfalls, tips, and good practices, lunchtime webinar! Wednesday, 31st March 12:30 - 1:30pm, online via Zoom with Joe Morris from CATTs Ireland. In this Webinar learn quick, easy and effective strategies for making changes to your day to day work from home life that will reduce anxiety and stress plus give you back more time. Start 'working from home' and stop 'living at work'. To book your place call: **071 9645582** or Email: leitrimlibrary@leitrimcoco.ie

CARERS ON-LINE COFFEE MORNING

Calling all Carers in the Diocese of Kilmore: We are aware of the strain and stress that Covid placing on Carers. We would like (if there is enough interest) to set up an online support group to support Carers, giving them an opportunity to befriend and support each other. **Please email** martinapastoralworker@gmail.com indicating your interest. Don't hesitate to contact Martina, she would love hear from local Carers.

DIGGES BEEKEEPERS' ASSOCIATION BEGINNERS COURSE IN PRACTICAL BEEKEEPING

Our annual beginners course is due to start tomorrow, 22nd March at 7 pm via Zoom, enquiries from those interested in registering, contact Kathleen Kearns on **086 3802292** or Email kathkayok@gmail.com

COVID-19 SUPPORT LINE FOR OLDER PEOPLE ALONE have a national support line and additional supports for older people who are facing difficulties relating to COVID-19. Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary, 7 days a week, 8am - 8pm, by calling 0818 222 024

SEAN O'HESLINS ANNUAL DRAW WINNERS AND NOTE OF THANKS

Scór Liatroma hosted a virtual Scór event on St Patrick's Day, we have some wonderful entries so far you can view Séimí Barra Mac Murchaidh, Sadhbh Ní Shúilleabháin agus Roibeard Ó Súilleabháin excellent performances on our Facebook page. We would like more club members to take part, anyone interested can contact **Michael** on **086 390 6791**, and we can share your prepared video with the Scór Liatroma page.

REFLECTION

We conclude our week of prayer and begin the special year which Pope Francis has dedicated to the 'The Joy of Love' in family life.

Our reflection today is on Saint Joseph the protector. We pray especially for protection for all families from Covid-19. During the pandemic, we have observed the dedication and generosity of health care professionals, and many other frontline workers as they treated, comforted and served many sick, elderly and vulnerable people in our communities. Many families have shared their appreciation for the gift of human life in all its stages and the lengths to which we go to protect and save life. As we begin the Family Year may we always be called and inspired to guard and protect all human life as sacred and sacrosanct.

In Scripture we read: "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I set you apart; I appointed you as a prophet to the nations." **Jeremiah (1:5)**

In conclusion of the Week of Prayer, we ask for God's protection for all families through the intercession of Saint Joseph.

WE PRAY HIS MEMORARE:

Remember, O most pure spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary, my great protector, Saint Joseph that no one ever had recourse to your protection, or implored your aid without obtaining relief. Confiding therefore in your goodness, I come before you. Do not turn down my petitions, foster father of the Redeemer, but graciously receive them.

AMEN.

I offer you a final reflection from Pope' Francis on the family:

"The spirituality of family love is made up of thousands of small but real gestures. In that variety of gifts and encounters which deepen communion, God has his dwelling place." (Amoris Laetitia, 315)

God bless all families.

AMEN

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