## BALLINAMORE / DRUMREILLY LR. PARISH NEWSLETTER

Sunday 22nd Nov 2020 (34th Sunday O.T)

(Feast Days: Mon 23rd St. Columban)

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Due to the present Covid 19 restrictions all masses will move online. The public are asked not to attend until further notice. People who have booked mass intentions have the option to have masses celebrated online or to transfer to a later date.

Online Mass is available From St. Patrick's Church Ballinamore & also St. Mary's Church Aughnasheelin

Log on to churchtv.ie Select "Ballinamore or Aughnasheelin" & join us live

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

Mass Intentions

Sat 21<sup>st</sup> Nov 11am Faithful Departed

Sun 22<sup>nd</sup> Nov 11am Hughie & Helen Dooner & deceased members of The Dooner Family, High Street.

Johnnie & Maureen O'Rourke & deceased members of The O'Rourke & Jordan Families

Therese Edwards, The Willows (1st Anniv)
Daniel Snevd. Stradermott (Months Memory)

Charlie & Babbie McTaque & deceased members of The McTaque & Walsh families

(Drumcroman)

Tues 24th Nov 9am: Faithful Departed

Sun 29<sup>th</sup> Nov 11am Alan & Ciaran Harvey, Dromore

Matthew Greenan, (Corraphort)

Michael & Brigid Flanagan & son Seán (Drumreilly Garadice)

Aughnasheelin, St. Mary's Church: Fri 8pm, Saturday 7pm

Fri 20th Nov 8pm Consolation Mass for Bereaved of The Parish

Sat 21st Nov 7pm Pee & Kathleen Roddy (Drumany)

Sat 28<sup>th</sup> Nov 7pm Annie, Jim, Seán & Josie (1<sup>st</sup> Anniv) Gallagher, Drumrackin

Pee & Margaret McNiff, Drumgownagh

Robert & Margaret Boyle & deceased family members (Tullybawn)

<u>Recent Deaths:</u> We pray for the soul of Noel McGovern (Boeshill) whose funeral took place on Thursday also the soul of Theresa Raymond nee Gallagher (formerly Glennon More Aughawillan) who died in England Last Tuesday. Our sympathy to their families.

# **Church Notes**

<u>Church Weekly & Dues Envelopes</u> to facilitate the collection of church envelopes, a safe has been located just inside the main doors of Ballinamore Church. Envelopes from all churches may be dropped in here where they will then be returned to their church of origin. We would ask if paying **DUES** for any of the four churches by cheque, please make cheque payable to "*Ballinamore Catholic Church Revenue A/c*" otherwise the bank will not accept it. In relation to Offertory payments, cheques should be made payable to each respective church e.g "Aughnasheelin Catholic Church". Thank you for your co-operation.

#### **Aughawillan 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 so Aughawillan Church Committee will hold a collection of envelopes from <u>Aughawillan Church on Sat 21st Nov between 7 & 7:30pm</u>. This arrangement is entirely voluntary. Please follow Covid 19 restrictions.

Confessions: Available after 11am mass on Saturday mornings or any time on request.

<u>Stained Glass Windows for Ballinamore</u>: A crucifixion scene of three stained glass windows has been installed in St. Patrick's Church Ballinamore. These are valuable windows and greatly enhance the sanctuary in the Church. If you or your family would like to donate towards the cost of a window please contact Fr. Sean. A plaque bearing the names of Donors or those in whose memory donations are made will be placed in an appropriate place in the church.

<u>Month of the Holy Souls:</u> In November we remember and pray for the faithful departed in a special way. A number of masses will be offered for the deceased members of our families in our parish. It would be appreciated if you would place the list of those you wish to be prayed for with your donation (envelope in your offertory Box) in the special safe inside the main door of Ballinamore Church or in the Parochial House Convent Rd, Ballinamore.

There are a number of leaflets in each church which contains a set of prayers for families & friends remember their dead and pray for those who mourn. Please feel free to take one.

<u>Parish Pastoral Councils</u> were due for renewal at this time but due to the impact of Covid 19 upon the pastoral life of the diocese Bishop Martin in discussion with the College of Consultors and the Diocesan Pastoral Council decided that it was best that all Parish Pastoral Councils remain in place for one more year. A letter from Bishop Martin to each council member will be sent out next week.

<u>Liturgical Arrangements for Christmas:</u> One member of the pastoral council from each church area met with Fr. Sean on Wednesday night to address urgent items and to discuss arrangements for Christmas. As we are unclear as to what level of restrictions will be in place by then we did not make any decision. Various options were looked at. Whenever we receive clarity from Government and directions at a Diocesan level we will proceed with arrangements.

Mass for Deceased Clergy: Bishop Martin will offer Mass for Deceased Clergy from the Cathedral of SS Patrick and Felim at 10:00am on Wed 25 Nov 2020. Mass will be available to view on https://www.churchservices.tv/cavancathedral Priory Retreat: Reflecting on the Gospels of Advent: We are taking registrations now for our Advent Retreat. It's a series of filmed reflections on the Sunday gospel readings of Advent. We are subsidising the production costs to encourage participation, the cost of the retreat is €40 and registration closes on Friday week, November 27. Maybe it's a sign of the times but it seems people are interested in looking at the 'big' questions especially coming up to this very unusual Christmas. https://prioryinstitute.com/events/2020-advent-retreat

#### **Community Notices**

Cash4Clobber: Scoil Chlann Naofa are holding a cash4clobber fundraiser on December 02, 2020. You can donate old clothes, paired shoes, trainers, handbags, belts. Duvets, pillows, sheets or bedding **should not** be included. Could you please drop the bags to the front of the junior school building on the morning (8:30 – 11:00) or afternoon (13:40 – 15:00) of the 30<sup>th</sup> and the 1<sup>st</sup> December or the morning of the 2<sup>nd</sup> December. Thanking you in advance for your kind support.

November Mass of Remembrance: The Chaplaincy Department of Cavan General Hospital are holding a Remembrance Mass, for those who passed away in the hospital during the passed year and also for departed relatives and friends of Staff. Usually, we are honoured to invite relatives to join us in person, but this year, like so much else in our lives, our mass must take on a different format. It will be held in the Cathedral of Saints Patrick & Felim, Cavan and although we can't ask you to join us in the Cathedral, you can watch online at https://www.churchservices.tv/cavancathedral and light a candle at that time in remembrance of your loved one. Cavan General Hospital Remembrance Mass 10.00am, Monday 30th November Cathedral of Saints Patrick and Felim, Cavan Co. Cavan

## Santa IS coming to town......

News just in... Santa has written to us and has informed us he will be coming to town on the 5th December. His visit will be different but he must adhere to the Covid restrictions on the night and it is important that we all keep safe. So please look out for notes in the paper and updates on Facebook.

# Reflection

## **The Merton Prayer**

Lord, I have no idea where I'm going. I do not see the road ahead of me. I cannot know for certain where it will really end. Nor do I really know myself. And the fact that I think I am doing your will, Does not mean that I am actually doing it. But I believe that the desire to please you. Does in fact please you. And I hope that I have this desire. I know that if I do this, You will lead me by the right road, Though I may know nothing about it. Therefore I trust you always. Though I may seem to be lost And in the shadow of death, I will not fear, for you are with me, And you will never leave me to face my perils alone.

Thomas Merton

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