BALLINAMORE / DRUMREILLY LR. PARISH NEWSLETTER

Sunday 3rd May 2020 (Fourth Sunday of Easter) Fr. Sean Mawn P.P. 087 6869040, (071) 9644039 (Office) Fr. Johnnie Cusack C.C. (071) 9644050/0872408409, Fr. John Mc Mahon 049-4339610 / 086-2126582 (Carrigallen Parish) Email Address <u>ballinamore@kilmorediocese.ie</u> Website: ballinamoreparish.com



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

Recent Deaths: We pray for the soul of Eddie Canning, Birmingham (Brother of Ambrose Canning) Late of Kiltymooden Ballinamore who died during the week also Sissie McManus nee McKeon, Oxford & formerly Lisacarn who died on the 15th March. May they rest in peace. Our sympathy to their families.

Capuchin Missions.

To Ballinamore Parish – Acknowledgement and Sincere thanks to you all for your contributions to the Capuchin Missions of 28th April in the amount of €557.41, 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.)

<u>Collection of Trocaire , Offertory and Dues Envelopes</u>: 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 . It was suggested the most practical one 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 will operate only once a month and is entirely voluntary. Please follow Covid 19 restrictions. Thank you to all who dropped off their offertory & Dues envelopes at the weekend.

We will have another collection drop the last weekend of May 30th /31st. Thanks to the parishioners who have already left in their contributions especially the Trócaire envelope to the parochial House Convent Road. Contributions can be left in at any time to the Parochial House, Covent rd.

Due to the Covid-19 Pandemic, the 150th Anniversary Celeberations of Aughawillan Church and the Golden Jubilee of Msgr Thomas McGovern have both been canceled for this year. Rearrangments will be made for Summer 2021.

Parish Office: The Parish Office will be closed to the public but still contactable by Phone 071 9644039 or email: ballinamore@kilmorediocese.ie Confirmation & First Holy Communion: We are awaiting update on Covid 19 restrictions of the provided of the p

<u>Confirmation & First Holy Communion:</u> We are awaiting update on Covid 19 restrictions due to be announced in May with a view to rescheduling possible dates for our ceremonies.

Message from Pope Francis

It is traditional in this month of May to pray the Rosary at home within the family. The restrictions of the pandemic have made us come to appreciate all the more this "family" aspect, also from a spiritual point of view. For this reason, I want to encourage everyone to rediscover the beauty of praying the Rosary at home in the month of May. This can be done either as a group or individually; you can decide according to your own situations, making the most of both opportunities. The key to doing this is always simplicity, and it is easy also on the internet to find good models of prayers to follow. I am also providing two prayers to Our Lady that you can recite at the end of the Rosary, and that I myself will pray in the month of May, in spiritual union with all of you.

(A copy of these prayers are available in the porch of each church)

Community Notices

<u>Accord</u>: 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

<u>A COVID-19 Community Outreach Champion</u> 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 Leitrim, Karen Dolan, on 0877167593 or email <u>kdolan@ldco.ie</u>. The Local Authority helpline is 071-9650473 and is open from 8am-8pm 7 days a week.

Béal an Átha Móir Seán Ó hEislin: 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 assistive 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 Connaghton 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.

DARKNESS INTO LIGHT is postponed at moment but hoping to reschedule to October. Pieta House is open for people to access it Free 24 Hour Support. Talk to a therapist now. ***Text Help to 51444** Call now on 1800 247 247

Rosary Prayer

O Mary,

You shine continuously on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope.

We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick, who, at the foot of the cross,

were united with Jesus' suffering, and persevered in your faith.

"Protectress of the Roman people", you know our needs, and we know that you will provide, so that, as at Cana in Galilee, joy and celebration may return after this time of trial. Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform ourselves to the will of the Father

and to do what Jesus tells us. For he took upon himself our suffering, and burdened himself with our sorrows to bring us, through the cross, to the joy of the resurrection. *Amen.*

<u>Reflection</u>

When things go Wrong

When troubles come and things go wrong, and days are cheerless and nights are long, We find it so easy to give into despair by magnifying the burdens we bear. We add to our worries by refusing to try to look for the 'the rainbow' in an overcast sky- and the blessings God sends in 'darkness disguise'. Our troubled heart fail to recognise God sends these things not to distress us but to strengthen our faith, to redeem us, and bless us. Amen

(Helen Steiner Rice)

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