

OUGHTERAGH & DRUMREILLY LOWER PARISH NEWSLETTER

2nd Nov 2025

Aughawillan - Aughnasheelin - Ballinamore & Corraleeahan

31st Sun OT

2nd Nov All Souls' Day, 3rd Nov St Malachy, 4th Nov St Charles Borromeo,

5th Nov St Martin de Porres, 6th Nov All the Saints of Ireland, 7th Nov St Willibrord

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BALLINAMORE ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH Mass times: Mon & Wed 7pm, Tues, Thurs & Fri 9am, Sat & Sun 11am

Mass Intentions

Sat 1st Nov 11am

Feast of All Saints

Michael & Eileen Doherty & their son Michael (Church St).

Sun 2nd Nov 11am

Feast of All Souls

Kitty McManus (Willowfield Rd) and her brother John Slevin (died in England) and all deceased members of the McManus family. Francis & Mary Curran (Tarmon) and all deceased family members. Matthew & Rose Dolan (Foxfield).

Weekday Masses are offered for the Faithful Departed

Wed 5th Nov 7pm

Michael & Lucy Mawn, Glenfarne

Sat 8th Nov 11am

Jackie Gallagher (Church St., Ballinamore)

Sun 9th Nov 11am

Charlie & Mary McHugh (Killaneen)

Philip & Philomena Murphy (St. Brigid's St.) and all deceased members of the Murphy & Turbitt families.



Eucharistic Adoration:

Fridays, 9:30 – 10:30am

Ministers of the Eucharist: 2nd Nov Máirín Martin, Mona Creamer & Liam McGovern, 9th Nov Patricia McGoldrick, Marian Quinn & Leigh Murphy, 16th Nov Philomena Earley, Mary McWeeney & Aileen Wisley

Ministers of the Word: 2nd Nov Marie Sweeney, 9th Nov Thomas Kelly, 16th Nov Sylvia Dolan, 23rd Nov Marie O'Connor

Door Collectors: Nov 2nd & 9th Felim Maxwell & John Galligan, 16th & 23rd Francis McTague, Alan Banks & Sean McKeon

AUGHNASHEELIN

ST. MARY'S CHURCH

Mass times: Fri 7pm - Sat 8:15pm

Mass Intentions

Fri 31st Oct 8.15pm

Vigil Mass – All Saints Day

Sat 1st Nov 8:15pm

Vigil Mass All Souls James & Annie O'Dowd (Mayo) & all deceased family members

Fri 7th Nov 7pm

Margaret & James Prior (Lisculfee)

Tom & Margaret Reynolds (Drumkeen) and all deceased members of the Reynolds and McKeon families.

Sat 8th Nov 8:15pm

Pat Gilhooley (Foxwood) and his parents Betty & Mick.

Ann & Ivan Higgins

Eucharistic Adoration:

Wednesdays, 11am - 12noon and 8pm - 10pm

Eucharistic Ministers: 1st Nov Caroline Sammon & Kerry Meehan 8th & 15th Nov Maura Mulvey & Maureen Conway

Readers: Philip Roddy & Monica Ward

Door Collectors: Michael James Creamer, Sean Mahon & Liam Prior

CORRALEECHAN

ST. BRIGID'S CHURCH

Mass times:

Wed 9:30am

Sun 9:45am

Mass Intentions

Sat 1st Nov 9.45am

Feast of All Saints

Sun 2nd Nov 9:45am

All Souls Day

Oliver & Mary Plunkett (Stroke) and all deceased members of the Plunkett family. John & Rose Curnan, their son John & deceased family members.

Wed 5th Nov 9:30am

Weekday Mass is offered for the Faithful Departed

Sun 9th Nov 9:45am

Gus & Mary Ellen Gilheany (Drumcroman)

Eucharistic Adoration:

Wednesdays, 10am - 8pm (please come along and join us, everybody welcome)

Eucharistic Ministers: Carol McNiff & Bernie Dolan

Altar Society: Mary Meehan & Gerry Meehan

Ministers of the Word: Paul Prior & Sean Prior

Door Collectors: Seamus McGovern & Éadán McNiff

AUGHAWILLAN

ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH

Mass time:

Sat 7pm

Mass Intentions

Fri 31st Oct 7pm

Vigil All Saints

Sat 1st Nov 7pm

Vigil All Souls Eileen Prior (Lecken)

Sat 8th Nov 7pm

People of the Parish

Eucharistic Ministers: Michelle Dolan & Mary Farrell Quinn

Door Collectors: Michael Quinn & Michael Darcy

Altar Society: Jillian Warren & Maureen McGovern

Ministers of the Word: Ciaran McBrien & Mark Stringer

RECENT DEATHS: We pray for Mary Harte (Lahard), whose funeral took place during the week. May her soul rest in eternal peace.

RECENT BAPTISM: We welcome Ella Angela Creamer into our Christian community and congratulate her family on this joyous occasion.

RECENT MARRIAGE: Congratulations and best wishes to Shauna Cullen & Nicolas Moorhead who were recently married in St. Patrick's Church Ballinamore. We wish them every happiness in their married life.

VISITATION OF THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND: Fr Seán will be in touch prior to his visit on Tuesday November 4th and Fr Moses will be in touch prior to his visit on Thursday 6th November.

MASS OF CONSOLATION: for the bereaved takes place in Aughnasheelin Church on Friday November 21st at 8pm.

MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS: In November we remember and pray for the faithful departed. In all our churches, masses will be offered for deceased members of our families. You can leave your list of the dead in the special box or basket on the altar in each church, **do not include money with your list** but instead, please put your donation into the November Offerings envelope provided in your church envelope boxes. These will be taken up during the offertory collection at mass. Alternatively, you may put your November Offerings in the safe in Ballinamore Church.

NOVEMBER INDULGENCES: details regarding gaining indulgences are available in the porch of each church.

THE REMEMBRANCE TREE: as a way of remembering deceased loved ones, we invite you to write the names of loved ones on a label and put it on the remembrance tree in Ballinamore Church. Please sit and pray for a while.

PIONEER PLEDGE for THE MONTH of the HOLY SOULS: A short-term pledge gives spiritual support and encouragement to people and their families who are living under a shadow of addiction. Contact the Pioneers on **01 805 4226** or via www.pioneers.ie/pray

FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTIONS: To ensure your contributions for 2025 are accounted for in the 2025 financial year, we encourage all parishioners to submit their weekly offertory envelopes by 28th December and dues envelopes by 7th December. Thank you for your continued generosity and support throughout this year.

LEITRIM COUNTY COUNCIL: Mass for the deceased Members and Staff of Leitrim County Council takes place in St Mary's Church, Carrick-on-Shannon on Monday 3rd November 2025 at 8:00 PM.

CONFIRMATION 2026: The Sacrament of Confirmation will take place in Ballinamore at 12 noon on 28th March 2026

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2026: The Sacrament of First Holy Communion will take place in: **Aughawillan on 3rd May 2026 at 9:45am, Ballinamore on 9th May 2026 at 12 noon and Aughnasheelin on 16th May 2026 at 12 noon.**

COMMUNITY NOTES

ATHLETIC CLUB: Well done to all who represented the Club at both the Connacht Even Ages Cross Country in Enniscrone and, the Dublin City Marathon. The Connacht Uneven ages Cross Country Championships will be in Ballinrobe next Sunday and training continues next week.

DEMENTIA CARERS COURSE: This **7-week face-to-face course** - **Venue:** The Landmark Hotel Carrick-on-Shannon, **Date/Time:** Tuesdays from 4th Nov to 16th Dec 2025, from 7pm-9.30pm, **Tutor:** Eadaoin Murray. Further details email, familycarertraining@alzheimers.ie or phone Christine 0860441251

ST PATRICK'S NATIONAL SCHOOL CORLOUGH PARENTS ASSOCIATION: would really appreciate your support! If you have plastic bottles or cans with the Re-turn symbol and are willing to donate them to raise funds for the children of St Patrick's Corlough, you can place them in the yellow Re-turn bin located in the Chapel car park at Corraleehan or Corlough church. Alternatively, there is a bin in the school.

BALLINAMORE LIBRARY EVENTS: □ **Tae agus Plé First Saturdays (Nov 1st, Dec 6th), 10–12pm.** Irish-friendly meet-up for young families. Info: Ciara 087 661 4706. □ **Smart Eating for Perimenopause & Menopause Fri 21st Nov, 7.30pm.** Talk by Maj Cunningham & guided practice with Julie Smith. All welcome. □ **Build a Stronger, More Mobile You Fridays, 2.30–3.30pm.** With DK Personal Training. Booking: 071 965 0476. □ **Craft in Company Thursdays, 11–1pm.** Needlecrafters welcome for tea, chat & help with tricky stitches. □ **Writers Group Saturdays, 10am.** All welcome.

CIORCAL NA MBAN AUGHNASHEELIN EVENTS: 🍁 **Halloween Potluck Party & Fundraiser** - Community Centre on Saturday, 1st Nov from 9:00–11:00 PM. Join us for a fun-filled evening and help raise funds for **Breast Cancer Ireland**. All are welcome - drop in and show your support!

COMMUNITY SERVICES HUB: The Den, Ballinamore. Every second Tues from 11am-1pm Tuesdays: 4th & 19th Nov, 2nd, 16th & 30th Dec.

MENS SHED BALLINAMORE: On Sunday Nov 2nd after 11am mass Shed Members will have a display of various Christmas items, all hand-made, at the Courthouse. The public can view and place orders, with small deposits, and have their order filled in good time for Christmas. The Men's Shed will hold a **Table Quiz** in Smyth's Siopa Ól on Friday Nov 7th at 9pm. Tables of four €10 per person. Funds will go to support Men's Shed activities.

DRUMEELA GARDEN CLUB: We are marking the 30th anniversary of the Club with the 'Drumeela Garden Club Gala Celebration' in the Cornmill Theatre on Fri Nov 28th at 8pm. Grand Raffle of €500 online garden design consultation with Leonie and floral arrangements. Refreshments served. Ticket bookings www.cornmilltheatre.com

BEREAVEMENT INFORMATION EVENING: on Wed 5th November at 7pm in Sligo Park Hotel, F91 Y762. Free information evening on how to care for yourself and others when grieving. No booking required. All welcome.

THE LEITRIM HANDBALLBOARD: will hold its annual church gate collection Saturday, November 1st and Sunday November 2nd at the following churches throughout the county: **Aughawillan, Aughnasheelin and Ballinamore.**

🎵 **ISLAND THEATRE UPCOMING EVENTS:** I had to go for Counselling **1st Nov doors at 7pm.** Legends of American Country Show **9th Nov doors at 7pm.** Details on www.islandtheatre.ie

Parish Office Hours: **Open – Mon, Thur & Fri 9am-4pm.** Closed – Tue & Wed.
Phone: 071-9644039
ballinamore@kilmorediocese.ie

REFLECTION

We give them back to You, oh Lord, who first gave them to us;
and as You did not lose them in the giving,
so we do not lose them in the return.

ADDITIONAL PARISH AND COMMUNITY ITEMS

MARIAN MOVEMENT OF PRAYER FOR PRIESTS & FAMILIES: as requested by Our Lady of Fatima via interior Locutions to Fr Stefano Gobbi will take place on the **last Monday** of each month. Our next date is **24th November, 2025** after 7pm Mass in Prayer Room Ballinamore Church. All are welcome.

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY: A heartfelt thank you to all who have already contributed to our Mission Sunday collection. Your generosity supports vital missionary work around the world. If you haven't yet had the chance to send in your donation, we kindly invite you to do so in the coming days. Every contribution, no matter the size, makes a meaningful difference and helps bring hope and support to communities in need.

MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY: Pope Leo is asking Catholics, individuals, families and communities throughout the world to pray the rosary during this month of October for peace.

CHARITABLE DONATIONS FORM: We wish to thank those who have taken the time to complete the CHY3 form which is being sent with the annual acknowledgement letters at present. Whether you are self-employed or a PAYE tax payer, you can help the church in your area by completing the CHY3 form and returning it to the parish office. This does not give us access to any of your tax details or your personal tax data in any way. If you donate in excess of €250 per annum to the church and pay tax to Revenue, the CHY3 form can be used by the church to reclaim some of the tax you pay, and any money reclaimed is paid directly to the church account for your area.



NEW PARISH FACEBOOK PAGE: Our new **Oughteragh and Drumreilly Lower Parish** Facebook Page was launched recently. Please like our new page and share our upcoming events.

BOOKING ANNIVERSARY MASSES: As you are aware we have shared mass intentions in our churches at the weekends. We try to limit the number of intentions to a maximum of three. To maintain this arrangement please book anniversary masses well in advance of your preferred time. Priests are allowed one mass stipend or donation per day, when we have shared intentions the extra donations are sent to retired or missionary Priests, who celebrate the extra Masses. Please book your Masses via email ballinamore@kilmorediocese.ie or phone **071 964 4039**

EXCITING NEWS! Abide in His Love Women's Conference happening for a second year – November 21-23. A beautiful event for women exploring the beauty and gift of their feminine identity in Christ. Check out Eventbrite for tickets and more information.



WAYS OF SUPPORTING the PARISH FINANCIALLY: The traditional way to support your parish is by contributing through your weekly envelope collection. Thanks to all who do so, so generously each week. In recent times some people set up a SO/EFT to pay, please contact parish office at **071 964 4039** / ballinamore@kilmorediocese.ie, or you scan the QRcode with your smartphone, <https://churchtv.ie/>, follow the links for your Church to make a donation. The light a candle feature lets you light a candle in Ballinamore Church from anywhere, 24/7.

ST PATRICKS CHURCH BALLINAMORE: along with the Cathedral of St. Patrick & Felim, Cavan, St. Anne's Church, Bailieboro and St Clare's Church, Manorhamilton have been decreed as Jubilee Churches. You can obtain a Jubilee Indulgence by visiting one of these sacred spaces. Leaflets with more information on the how to obtain the Jubilee Indulgence and how to participate in Special Jubilee Activities are available in each church porch.

MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT WEEKEND: Facilitated by members of the Council for Marriage and The Family. Our next upcoming Weekend in The Focolare Centre, Curryhills, Prosperous, Co. Kildare, Nov. 7th-9th, 2025. Register to attend at www.marriageencounter.ie. Open to all married couples.

THE YOUNG PARENTS SUPPORT PROGRAMME: offers support to young parents who are expecting a baby or already have a child. This support can include but not limited to pre- and post-natal support, independent living and education/training. This is a free and confidential service. If you would like to get involved contact: lindahalstead@homeyouthliaisonservice.ie or 087 7917000

BALLINAMORE CREDIT UNION: Josie Martin Scholarship deadline is extended until 31st October. All 3rd level students who are Credit Union Members can pick up an application form in Carrigallen and Ballinamore branches.

BALLINAMORE GREENWAY PARKRUN & WALK: each Saturday at 9.30am - looking forward to seeing you there

AUGHAWILLAN WHIST: second Tues of the month at 8:30pm. New members always welcome.

BALLINAMORE WHIST DRIVE: first Thurs of each month at 8:30pm in the Island Theatre. New members welcome

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🎵 **ISLAND THEATRE UPCOMING EVENTS:** I had to go for Counselling **1st Nov doors at 7pm**. Legends of American Country Show **9th Nov doors at 7pm**. A Celebration of Fr Ted **15th Nov doors at 7pm**. Christmas Craft Fair **23rd Nov from 12 – 4pm**. The Bjorn Identity ABBA Tribute **29th Nov doors 7pm**. Johnny Cash Tribute **6th Dec doors at 7pm**. Little Bo-peep Christmas Mix-up Show **14th Dec starts 2pm**. Details on www.islandtheatre.ie

AUGHAWILLAN BREAKFAST CLUB AND AFTERSCHOOL: A new afterschool facility will open in Aughawillan Community Centre this coming September. We are putting out an appeal for some toys, books and board games that you may wish to donate to our new afterschool. Email aughawillancommunitychildcare@gmail.com to arrange drop off of donations. We're very grateful for all the support and thank you in advance.

HEDGE CUTTING SCHEME: This scheme is now open - to encourage the cutting of roadside hedges/trees along the Public Road Network. Open to individual applicants, communities and groups. **New grants available this year** so please contact roads@letirimcoco.ie or phone 071-9620005 Ext. 630. **Closing Date is 30th Jan 2026**.

MEITHEAL: is a Tusla led process for children and families who may need support. Meitheal enables families to identify what is working well - and no so well, and work towards changes they would like to see happen for their child or young person. For more information on Meitheal please call 087-6562844 or email meitheal.ppfs@tusla.ie

AN TOBAR NUA: We provide **confidential counselling nationwide** via telephone and Zoom. Our service is **donation-based**, because we do not want finances to prevent anyone from receiving support. If you are struggling with grief, anxiety, depression, or other life challenges, we are here to help, please telephone: 091-562 175

SING TOGETHER: Monthly, Saturday Morning Drop Ins at the Island Theatre 11-12.30pm, 15th Nov. All Welcome. No experience needed. More information 087-7620523.

AUGHNASHEELIN NS RE-TURN BIN: There is a yellow Re-Turn bin located on school grounds. All proceeds from the bottles and cans collected in this bin go directly to supporting our school and meeting the needs of our students. If you'd like to contribute, please consider disposing of your eligible bottles and cans in this bin. Your support would be greatly appreciated. Every donation helps, thank you.

FAMILY CARERS IRELAND: are currently **recruiting for Community Homecare Workers** to provide support to our clients. Work hours are flexible based on your availability. Essential Requirements: Qualifications – QQI Care of The Older Person and Care Skills Modules completed, must have own car and Full Driving Licence. Please send your CV to jobs@familycarers.ie or contact Carol on 049 8511031 or 086 4183949 for more information.

ALONE - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: ALONE are seeking volunteers for 1 hour per week, in your area. Full training and support provided. If interested, please sign up on <https://alone.ie/volunteers/> For more information, please contact Collette directly on: collette.ferguson@alone.ie or on 086 1921505.

YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE ADDICTED TO SUFFER FROM ADDICTION: M-PACT, a FREE eight-week, whole family support programme. Helping to improve relationships, communication and recovery. If interested or would like further information. Please contact 071 9150578 / 085 875 9319 or email sligoleitrim@alcoholforum.com

AUGHNASHEELIN ACTIVE RETIREMENT GROUP (AGE 50+ FOR MEN AND WOMEN): Interested in joining this new group in Aughnasheelin? This group has great plans for social activities, trips, being active, with new and exciting things to do, fostering community well-being and enabling members to get out and meet people in a social setting. Tea and chat - All welcome.

LIFE COACH: creating inclusive, uplifting gatherings where everyone is welcome—whether you move, sit, sway, or simply enjoy the moment. These events are designed to support your wellbeing, create connection, and lift your spirit. If this speaks to you, I'd love to hear from you. Please email transformationalyes@gmail.com with a "Yes" and the name of your townland.

SCOIL CHLANN NAOFA, BALLINAMORE: is accepting applications for admission to our school for the 2025/26 school year. Please contact **071 964 5001** or email info@scoilchlannnaofa.com for an enrolment pack. Thank you.

AUGHAWILLAN N.S. are now taking Enrolments for September 2025. Enrolment forms are now available by e-mailing: aughawillanns@gmail.com or contacting the office on 071 9644246.

ST. MARY'S N.S. AUGHNASHEELIN: is now accepting enrolments for September 2025. Enrolment forms are available by contacting the school at, 071 9644868 or by email to, office@stmarysnsaughnasheelin.com

SENIORLINE: a national telephone service for older people open every day 10am-10pm, Freephone **1800 80 45 91**. SeniorLine's older volunteers are trained to listen, to support, to discuss options and to other helpful services.

TEMPLEPORT SOCIAL SERVICES-DAY CENTRE: on Wednesdays. Usual transport schedule. Any queries contact Ann Maguire **087 765 5096** or Anne Smith **087 285 7471**. Looking forward to seeing you all.

LEITRIM CALLING: would like to hear from people willing to get involved as a volunteer on our Befriending Visitation Service - one hour per week commitment visiting an older person in their home for company and chat. Full training and support is provided. For further details, contact: Marion on 087 9585029 or e-mail leitrimcalling@gmail.com

MUVE HEALTHCARE provides homecare services in the local area. If you are looking for a carer or nurse for your relative or loved one, please contact Caroline O'Neill, Head of Homecare on **089 611 1647** for more details. Our website is www.muvehealthcare.ie

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