

BALLINAMORE & DRUMREILLY LOWER PARISH NEWSLETTER

4th February 2024

5th Sunday in OT

Feast Days: 5th Feb St Agatha, 7th Feb St Mel,

8th Feb St Jerome Emiliani, St Josephine Bakhita of Sudan, & 10th Feb St Scholastica

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Join us live, @ churchtv.ie Select Leitrim, then Aughawillan, Aughnasheelin, Ballinamore or Corraleeahan

Ballinamore Church:

Sat & Sun 11am, Mon & Wed 7 pm, Tues, Thurs, & Fri 9 am.

Sat 3rd Feb 11 am Feast of St. Blaise (Blessing of Throats)

Patsy and Mary Galligan (Dromore) and all deceased family members

Sun 4th Feb 11 am John and Bridie Milton (Aughadark)

Ann (Gallagher) O'Connor (Lahard)

Mon 5th Feb 7 pm

Val McGovern (Legnaderk, Corlough) recently deceased in London

Wed 7th Feb 7 pm

Katie and Willie Sweeney (Drumnamore & Church Street)

Thurs 8th Feb 9 am

Joe Donohoe

Sat 10th Feb 11 am

Padraig Flanagan (Church Street), and his parents Rita and John James Flanagan (Lisacarn)

Sun 11th Feb 11 am Annie and Jimmy Flanagan (Tráthnóna)

Paddy and Rosaleen Joyce (Anville Court) and all deceased members of the Joyce and Cosgrove families

Eucharistic Adoration:

Fridays 9.30am –10.30am

Eucharist Ministers: 4th Feb Máirín Martin, Mona Creamer & Liam McGovern 11th Patricia McGoldrick, Marian

Quinn & Leigh Murphy 14th Feb Deirdre Harvey & Padraig McÁodh 18th Feb Philomena Earley,

Ministers of the Word 4thFeb Patricia McGoldrick 11th Philomena Early 18th Feb Patricia Griffin

Door Collectors: 4th Feb John Curran, John O'Connell and David McBrien 11th & 18th Feb Damien O'Brien, Andy O'Rourke & Rory O'Rourke. 25th Feb & 3rd Mar Seamus Earley, Michael Fanning & Camillus Martin.

CONFESSIONS AVAILABLE: Saturdays after the 11am Mass in Ballinamore Church, and on request at any time.

Aughnasheelin, St. Mary's Church:

Fri 7pm & Sat 8:15.

Mass Intentions

Fri 2nd Feb 7 pm

Candlemas Day, Blessing of St Brigid's Crosses, Candles and Throats

Pat McGovern (Gubnaveigh & Ballinasloe) and all deceased members of the Burns and McGovern families.

Sat 3rd Feb 8:15 pm

Tommy and Carmel Meehan (Derrinkehir McDonald)

Margaret Cafferty (Stralongford) and all deceased family members (**Blessing of Throats**)

Fri 9th Feb 7 pm

Micheal McCabe (Pottore)

Sat 10th Feb 12 pm

Seamus McWeeney (Miskawn)

Sat 10th Feb 8:15 pm

Ann and Ivan Higgins (Bogguan)

Eucharist Ministers: 3rd&10th Feb Detta McNiffe and Tom Prior 17th & 24th Feb Margaret Murphy & Volunteer

Ministers of the Word: Shirley Sammon & the Gunn family **Door Collectors:** John Pat Creamer & James McCaffrey

Corraleeahan St. Brigid's Church:

Wed 9:30 am & Sun 9:45 am.

Mass Intentions

Sun 4th Feb 9:45 am No Intention (**Blessing of Candles and Throats**)

Sun 11th Feb 9:45 am No Intention

Eucharistic Adoration: **Wednesday** 10 am to 4pm & 6pm to 8pm

Eucharist Ministers: Carmel McNiffe & Philomena Dolan

Altar Society: Nell Prior and Bernie Dolan

Ministers of the Word: Claire McNiffe & Laurence Fee

Door Collectors: Packy Maguire & Michael McGovern

Aughawillan St Patrick's Church:

Sat 7pm.

Mass Intentions

Sat 3rd Feb 7pm

Rosaleen McHugh (Boeshill) also her husband Packie and all deceased members of the McHugh and Maguire families (**Blessing of Candles, St Brigid's Crosses, & Throats**)

Sat 10th Feb 7 pm

PJ and Celia McGovern (Lisgrudy)

William and Mary Gormley (Boeshill) also Stephen and Liam Gormley

Eucharist Ministers: Patricia Deane and Des Quinn

Altar Society: Bernadette Mahon and Caroline McGovern

Ministers of the Word: Kate McCauley and Aisling Quinn **Door Collectors:** Charlie Kelly and Patsy McGovern

BALLINAMORE PRAYER GROUP 8 pm on Tuesday night at the Parish Centre. Come along and invite your friends.

RECENT DEATHS: Please pray for all the souls of the Faithful departed.

May They Rest in Peace

MEDJUGORJE IRISH CENTRE PILGRIMAGES APRIL - OCT 2024: 7 Nights B&B from €273 per person sharing.

Airport transfer available on request. Contact us for details Tel. **01 4434510** Medjugorje: **00387 36 651 518** Ireland:

00353 1 443 4510 or email: reservations@med-irishcentre.com and Website: www.med-irishcentre.com

THE REPORT ON THE RESPONSES FROM PARISH MEETINGS OF AUTUMN 2023: has been made available to parishioners and can be found on the Diocesan Website www.kilmorediocese.ie it is accompanied by a Message from Bishop Martin indicating immediate next steps in response to the Report.

WAYS OF SUPPORTING THE PARISH FINANCIALLY: The traditional way of supporting your parish is contributing through your weekly envelope collection. Thanks to all who do so so generously each week. If you haven't picked up your box of envelopes please do so as soon as you can. If you are new in the parish and would like to contribute please contact parish office on **071 964 4039** email address ballinamore@kilmorediocese.ie. In recent times some people prefer to set up a standing order and pay in that way, again contact parish office for details. You can also support the parish and priests by contributing on line as detailed below.



OUGHTERAGH & LOWER DRUMREILLY PARISH: Allows people to light a candle, pay contributions, and make donations online. Scan this QR code with your smart phone, <https://churchtv.ie/> and follow the links for your Church to make a donation. The light a candle feature allows you to light a candle instantly in Ballinamore Church from anywhere in the world 24/7.

BIBLE STUDY AND LECTIO DIVINA IN LENT: An introduction to the Gospel of St. John, with prayerful reading of Gospel passages (Lectio Divina), led by Bishop Emeritus Leo O'Reilly, takes place on Thursdays during Lent, 7.30 pm to 9 pm. in the Kilmore Diocesan Pastoral Centre, Cullies, Cavan H12 E5C7, from 15th Feb. until 21st Mar. All are welcome.

For further information **049 4375004**

ST. BRIGID'S WELL. Well done to all that made the Pilgrimage to St Brigid's Well on Thursday 1st of February. It was wonderful to see so many people out from early morning till night time, following in the footsteps of our ancestors as they prayerfully made their pilgrimage. May the intercession of St Brigid bring them many Blessings. Thanks to Gerard and Pauline Mc Cartin, and to Sean and Gertrude McCaffrey for allowing pilgrims to walk through their land. A special thank you to Gerry Keegan, Francis Murphy, Gerry Conway and James Maguire of the RSS, for their essential work in preparing the well and path way for pilgrims.

MASS FOR TEMPERANCE SUNDAY & WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE SICK: will be broadcast next Sunday 11th February 2024 at 11am on RTÉ TV & Radio.

COMMUNITY NOTES

AUGHAWILLAN NS: are now Enrolling for Sep '24, Enrolment forms available by calling **071 9644246** or e-mailing: aughawillanns@gmail.com

AUGHNASHEELIN SOCIAL DANCING CLASSES Wed. 8pm in the Community Centre, lots of dances. All welcome.

AUGHNASHEELIN FOROIGE CLUB: are fundraising for the development of our club. We are having a Valentines raffle with many prizes sponsored by local businesses. Raffle lines are €2 per line or 3 for €5. Club members will be outside Tesco in Ballinamore on 10th of Feb. 10 am, selling raffle lines. All support is greatly appreciated.

BALLINAMORE ATHLETIC CLUB: Training continues Tuesday and Thursday at 7 pm new members and 2024 renewals each evening. Leitrim under 7 to under 14 Indoor Championships in Carrick Sports hall next Sunday.

BACC CLG - "Better Together – Níos Fearr Le Chéile" require a Part-Time Administrator 14 hours per week. Ability to create Cheque Journals/Accurate Bank Reconciliations/Funding Claims essential. Please email your Letter of Application and Curriculum Vitae to mairinmartin26@gmail.com closing date 16th February 2024.

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

BALLINAMORE BADMINTON CLUB: Tues at 8pm Ballinamore Sports Complex. €3 per night, PAYG. All welcome.

CORLOUGH LINE DANCING: starts Tues Jan 30th in Corlough Community Centre at 8pm, admission €7 all welcome

SET DANCING CLASSES: Shortts Bar on Thursdays, call **086 850 6696** for more information.

FREE HORTICULTURE COURSE (QQI Level 4) F/T Horticulture Course commencing on the 26th Feb. Drumshanbo for 45 weeks. Training Allowance available. Contact Linda on **086 2031664** or email LindaLogan@msletb.ie

LEITRIM VOLUNTEER CENTRE OUTREACH OFFICE: based in The Island Theatre Ballinamore, working with volunteers and organisations to promote and enhance volunteering across Leitrim. For more information and to register your group or as an individual contact Claire on **087 769 6514** or e mail claire@volunteerleitrim.ie

SING TOGETHER at the ISLAND THEATRE Monthly drop-ins **11am-12.30pm**. Pay as you go/can. Dates **27th Jan, 24th Feb, 23rd March & 20th April 2024**. Call Sarah for more information **087 762 0523** / sarah@sarahgarden.ie.

Everyone is welcome and you don't need to an experienced singer, this is a chance to sing songs from every genre.

ISLAND THEATRE - UPCOMING EVENTS: Donal O'Connor & Dr Matteo Cullen. Sat. 10th Feb. 8pm (doors 7.30pm) Support by BUGS Ballinamore Ukulele Group. Tickets: www.islandtheatre.ie, via the Tourism Office or on the door.

Upcoming Events are as follows: Feb 13th, 14th, 16th & 17th 7.30pm- The Wizard of Oz (children's musical)

March 2nd to 10th 8pm - Ballinamore Drama Festival, March 16th 8pm - The Empty Nest (play) by Oisín Flores Sweeney, March 21st 8pm - Pat & Faye Shortt 'Knuckle Down' (comedy), March 24th 2pm - Born to be Wild (children's show). Tickets and more info available at www.islandtheatre.ie

SEAN O'HESLINS – Membership 2024: is now open on the Foireann website. Membership prices are as follows; Adult GAA Member Born before 01/01/2006 €60, Adult LGFA Member Born before 01/01/2006 €75, Family Membership See description on Foireann €120, Youth GAA Member Born After / before 01/01/2006 -31/12/2014 €40, LGFA Member Born After / before 01/01/2006 / 31/12/2014 €50, G4M&O N/A €35. **Nursery & U9** Born After 01/01/2015 €30, **Nursery & U9** Max Fee/Family Born After 01/01/2015 €80, LGFA Mentor €25, Gym Membership €150, Scor Membership €60. **MONTHLY DRAW:** Tickets for January's monthly draw are still available and can be purchased from Smyth's, Priors, Murphy's, Fresh today, Phillip Farrelly and online. The draw will take place on the 3rd Feb. Smyth's Siopa OI with €550 in prizes money up for grabs. Your support with the draw is greatly appreciated.

REFLECTION

Give to those in need. One day you may benefit from the kindness of someone who does likewise.

5 STEP SUPPORT SERVICE: Are you affected by the misuse of alcohol or other drugs by another individual? 5 Step Support can help you; it is a free, non-judgemental, one-one consultation service. Putting your needs and wellbeing first, helping you manage stressful, difficult and emotional issues. For more information please contact **071 915 0578/085 875 9319** or email sligoleitrim@alcoholforum.com you don't have to be addicted to suffer from addiction!

GENTLE REMINDER: to update your church contributions for 2023. Offertory contributions for the upkeep of your church are made payable to the local church. All Dues contributions towards salaries for priests are made payable to Ballinamore Catholic Church 2 ACC

CALLING ALL TUTORS! Leitrim Development Company are creating an up-to-date list of tutors and speakers, who are available to offer courses, talks and workshops on many subjects. If you would like to be added to the list for 2024, please email your name, contact information (phone & email) and a brief description of what you do to annamctiernan@ldco.ie Community Groups will contact you directly to make arrangements for course/talks delivery.

BALLINAMORE LIBRARY OFFERS ONE-TO-ONE DIGITAL SUPPORT: to adults on their own devices - iPads, smartphones, tablets, and laptops. This service is free with experienced friendly tutors, will assist people to overcome issues they are facing using digital technology. To obtain more information about the project call **071 964 5566**, or email ballinamorelibrary@leitrimcoco.ie to book a class or call into the library for a chat with a member of staff.

TEMPLEPORT DAY CENTRE resumes on Wednesdays. Usual transport arrangements, new members welcome. Looking forward to seeing you all again.

IRISH CONVERSATION CLASSES. The very successful Ciorcal Comhrá, or Irish Conversation Circle in Ballinamore Library is on Tues. 8 pm. Different levels/classes apply. Admission free. Ring or text **087 682 1566** to book a place.

TIN WHISTLE LESSONS: Fridays at 7pm for beginners and intermediate/advanced children. All newcomers welcome. Classes in Sean O Hsleins GAA clubroom for more information contact Sarah at **083 483 5881**

GENTLE EXERCISE CLASS: movement to music & stretching suitable for older adults. Starting Thurs 18th Jan 10am in Ballinamore Old Primary School (beside the old convent, pedestrian crossing & new national school). All welcome.

DANCE FIT & TONING CLASS: Mondays at 8pm in Ballinamore Community Hall, and Wed. 6.30pm in Ballinamore Old Primary School, fun exercise class with Michelle Fanning. For further information contact **087 939 0980**.

CAREER IN CARING FOR THE ELDERLY: Home Instead are always looking to recruit Caregivers. Whether you can work a couple of hours a week or want to work full time, we would like to hear from you. Experience and FETAC/QQI level 5 qualification in healthcare is an advantage but not compulsory as training is provided. Please contact Seyi or Ciara on **(071) 9317051** or recruitment-admin.sligo@homeinstead.ie for more information.

ALONE IS LOOKING FOR VISITATION VOLUNTEERS: in your area to make befriending visits to older people looking for extra social contact for 1 hr per week. *Volunteers needed* would you be willing to provide companionship visit or make friendly calls to Older People once a week for an hour or two? ALONE are seeking volunteers in your area. Full training and support provided, if interested please sign up here: <https://alone.ie/volunteers/>

THE BACKPACK FOR ADULTS will run Tues eves from Jan. 23rd for 8 weeks. It is a human & spiritual development program with topics such as Anxiety, Negative Looping Thoughts, Resilience Building, Self-Awareness, Boundary Setting & Healthy Relationship with Self, Others, and God. Apply cavaninstitute.ie/eveningcourses or **049 437 7940**.

SILENT RETREAT: Theme: "If you but knew the gift of God..." Preached by: Fr. Kilian Byrne, Foyer of Charity Venue: St. Mary's Accommodation, Knock, Co. Mayo Date: February 5th to 11th 2024 Cost: €540 full board Contact: Helen: **086 167 8027/** hellywilliams@gmail.com www.foyerofcharity.ie A privileged time to come away from noise and distractions, and listen to the Spirit of God, - Who is Love. Silence, prayer, teachings & liturgy of the Church.

NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE OF THE CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH ADULT STUDIES:

Our Catechism Youcat Workshop for 2024 takes place on Saturday 10th February at Our Lady's Shrine Knock with Spiritual Director: Fr. Vincent Twomey for more info please see the poster at the back of the Church. To book please contact: Máirín Ní Shúilleabháin B.A. Div. Coordinator, at mairin991@gmail.com Tel. Mob **087 795 0325**

BOOKING ANNIVERSARIES 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 donation is 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**

TOTUS TUUS MAGAZINE is a Catholic magazine, full of articles from Irish priests and laity, which aims to highlight the beauty and joy of our faith. It is now in its 7th year and is run by donations. If you haven't come across Totus Tuus Magazine and would like a free copy please contact Fiona Kiely on **086 876 0058**.

150th ANNIVERSARY OF THE OPENING OF THE ORIGINAL St PATRICK'S COLLEGE: Tuesday 12th of March 2024 will mark the opening of this iconic building which served as a college (up to its relocation to the new college building in 2012) and now houses the **Kilmore Diocesan Pastoral Centre since 2005**. Bishop Martin Hayes will be the principal celebrant of a special Mass to commemorate this milestone anniversary in the Cathedral of Saints Patrick & Felim, Cavan on Saturday 16th of March 2024 at 11am. Further details will be announced in due course.

ISLAND THEATRE, BALLINAMORE

EVENTS FEB - MARCH

DONAL O'CONNOR & DR MATTEO CULLEN

with support from
**BUGS - BALLINAMORE
UKULELE GROUP SINGERS**

Saturday 10th February 8pm
Doors 7.30pm

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THE WIZARD OF OZ - CHILDREN'S MUSICAL

Tues 13th, Wed 14th, Fri 16th & Sat
17th February
Nightly 7.30pm (Doors 6.30pm)



BALLINAMORE DRAMA FESTIVAL

Sat 2nd - Sun 10th March
Nightly 8pm (Doors 7pm)



THE EMPTY NEST - PLAY

Saturday 16th March
8pm (Doors 7pm)



PAT & FAYE SHORTT - KNUCKLE DOWN

Thursday 21st March
8pm (Doors 7pm)

BORN TO BE WILD - CHILDREN'S SHOW

Sunday 24th March
2pm (Doors 1.30pm)



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