

BALLINAMORE & DRUMREILLY LOWER PARISH NEWSLETTER

5th March 2023 *Mar 8th International Women's Day* 2nd Sunday of Lent

Feast Days: Mar 7th St Perpetua & St Felicity, Mar 8th International Women's Day, St Senan, & St John of God, Mar 9th St Frances of Rome, Mar 10th St John Ogilvie & Mar 11th St Aengus

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Join us live, at churchtv.ie Select Leitrim, and then Aghnasheelin, Ballinamore or Corraleehan Church

Ballinamore Church: Sat & Sun 11am, Mon 7pm, Tues, Wed & Thurs 7.30am & Fri 9am

Sat 4th March 11am Tony McKiernan (High Street)

Sun 5th March 11 am Mollie Prior (Lisacarn) and her son Micheál

Sat 11th March 11 am Mary and Bernie McKiernan (Railway Terrace) and also deceased members of the Whelan and Casserly families.

Sun 12th March 11 am Gerry Brady (Ardrum)

Bridget, William, and Charles McWeeney (Longstone)

JP and Margaret O'Hara (Kilrush)

Eucharist Ministers: 5th March Michael Duignan, Peggy Ferguson, & Dympna McTague 12th Mar Paddy O'Connor, Thomas Kelly, & Gerard Mc Cartin 19th Mar Patricia Griffin, James Maguire & James Óg

Ministers of the Word: 5th Mar Mary Corby 12th Mar Gerard Darcy 19th Mar Ann Gillen 26th Mar Patricia McGoldrick

Door Collectors: 5th & 12th March Brendan Sweeney, Sean Kavanagh, and Damien Hamill 19th & 26th March

Seamus McTague, Micheal Gillen, PJ Duignan and Eugene Maxwell 2nd & 9th April Group 1 Felim Maxwell & Co

Collection Counters: Please ensure that collections are counted weekly, and bag each collection separately

Aghnasheelin, St. Mary's Church:

Fri 7pm & Sat 8 pm

Mass Intentions

Sat 4th March 8 pm Ann (Nan) Callaghan (Derrinkeher Roycroft) **Months Mind**

Sadie and Francie Mulvey, their grandson Donie Greene and deceased members of the Shanley and Mulvey families.

Fri 10th Mar 7 pm Packie Joe and Brigid McCabe (Gubnaveigh) and all deceased family members

Paddy Joe and Celia Mulvey (Aughlin)

Sat 11th March 8pm Micheal and Eileen Maguire (Gubnaveigh) their son Micheal Francis (Longford) and all deceased family members.

Frank McNulty (Kiltybarden) and his parents Francis and Alice, and his brother Christy.

Stations of the Cross to take place each Friday evening after 7pm Mass during Lent. Stations will be led by a lay Person each evening, if you could be part of this, call Breda **086 376 3809** to arrange a Friday to suit you. Thank You

Eucharist Ministers: 4th Mar Caroline Sammon & Kerry Meehan 18th & 25th Mar Maura Mulvey & Maureen Conway

Ministers of the Word: March Confirmation Class

Door Collectors: March Peter Flynn, Brendan Reynolds, and Brian O'Dowd

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Eucharistic Adoration Wednesday 11am to 12 noon, and 8 to 10 pm

Corraleehan St. Brigid's Church:

Wed 9:30 & Sun 9:45 am

Mass Intentions

Sun 5th Mar 9:45 am Bridgie and Thomas Patrick Mc Niffe (Drumgowna) and all deceased family members

Sun 12th Mar 9:45 am People of the Parish

Altar Society March Mary McGovern and Helen McGovern

Eucharist Ministers: March Annie McManus and Teresa Maxwell

Ministers of the Word: March Helen McGovern and Sean McNiff

Door Collectors: March Gerry Meehan and Joseph McNiff

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Eucharistic Adoration Wednesday 10 am to 8 pm, All Welcome

Aughawillan St Patrick's Church:

Wed & Sat 6:30 pm

Mass Intentions

Sat 4th March 6:30 pm Rosaleen McHugh (Boeshill) **Months Mind**

Sat 11th March 6:30 pm Jack and Christine Fox (Glendargan)

Bridie Stringer (Boeshill)

Altar Society: March Michelle Dolan and Katie Meekin

Eucharist Ministers: March Sinead Kiernan and Bernadette Mahon

Ministers of the Word: March Doreen Flanagan and Donal Quinn

Door Collectors: March Paddy Deane and Gerry Flanagan

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

RECENT DEATHS: Pray for the soul of Mary O'Brien (Strandhill) sister of Bernie Cryan RIP **May she Rest in Peace**

BALLINAMORE PRAYER GROUP 8 pm on Tuesday nights. Come along and invite your friends.

THE CATHOLIC CHAPLAINCY QUB & Order of Malta QUB invites you to join in **Conversations for the Common Good** initiative and welcome: **Caroline Haughey OBE KC** - '*The Evolution of Modern Slavery in the 21st Century & the Church's Response*'. On 7th March 7pm @ the Catholic Chaplaincy QUB, 28 Elmwood Ave, Belfast BT9 6AY

KNOCK SHRINE MUSIC EVENT: A celebration of Irish music, heritage and culture! A Concert to Celebrate Saint Patrick in Knock Basilica 8.30pm Thurs. 16th March '23. Admission free and all welcome. <https://www.knockshrine.ie>

KNOCK SHRINE LENTEN REFLECTIONS: Uplift Your Spirit and Nourish Your Soul with weekly talks - 7th, 14th & 21st March in St. John's Welcome Centre & online from 8.15pm – 9.15pm. For details: <https://www.knockshrine.ie>

PRECIOUS LIFE AND OTHER PRO-LIFE GROUPS: Rally for Life on Saturday 11th March, 2.00pm in the Custom House Square, Belfast. Preceding the Rally, 'Mass for Life' will be celebrated in St Patrick's Church, Donegal Street, at 12.30pm. Those who support a culture of life, please pray for the protection of babies and make an effort to attend.

DONATIONS TO NEW STAINED GLASS WINDOWS IN ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH BALLINAMORE: Please check the copy of the plaque on display in the church porch for your details. If there are corrections required please contact Fr. Seán ASAP. If you wish to make a donation contact Fr. Seán, as the Plaque will be finalised very soon.

TRÓCAIRE: this year we celebrate the 50th Anniversary of the foundation of Trócaire. Trócaire means mercy. We show mercy when we show kindness, compassion and forgiveness. For 50 years Trócaire has worked to support the world's most at risk communities, no matter who or where they are. Please collect your Trócaire Box, help save lives, and support communities to rebuild their lives in a sustainable way.

EVANGELISATION AND VOCATION CONFERENCE: takes place on Tues 25th April in Maynooth 10am - 4pm. The Keynote speaker is Archbishop Rino Fisichella from Rome. The focus is on a Diocesan Priesthood vocation within the wider context of Evangelisation and Vocation, for more information please follow this link [Evangelisation and Vocation Conference | National Vocations Office](#) or phone +353 (0)1 505 3118 or Email: eric.cooney@vocations.ie

COMMUNITY NOTES

BALLINAMORE ATHLETIC CLUB: training continues at the Sports Hall and St Felim's on Tues & Thurs at 7 p.m.

BALLINAMORE AREA COMMUNITY GAMES: All interested in helping with this year's team or individual events are invited to attend a meeting at the Scouts Den, Ballinamore on Thurs. 9th Mar. 9 pm. A list of Individual and team events are available on www.communitygames.ie Parishes included in the area; Aughawillan, Aughnasheelin, Ballinamore, Drumreilly and Fenagh.

AUGHNASHEELIN SOCIAL DANCING CLASSES with Rina Bannon, Wednesdays at 8 pm, all welcome.

BADMINTON: is back Tuesdays at 9 pm. Ballinamore Sports Complex. All standards welcome. €3 per person.

BALLINAMORE B'MORE HENS SHED: meet in the Island Theatre every Monday at 11:30am, all welcome

ISLAND THEATRE: Ballinamore Drama Festival 5th - 12th March. **'9 to 5' the Musical** 24th, 25th, 26th, 29th, 31st March & 1st April. **Well - Pat & Faye Shortt** 15th April. & **Last Prime Minister of Ireland** 6th May.

41st BALLINAMORE DRAMA FESTIVAL: commences in the Island Theatre, this Sunday March 5th & runs for seven nights, at 8pm until Sunday March 12th. Season Tickets, are €55 for 7 nights, are on sale in Murphy's shop, St. Brigid Street, or at the ticket office. Admission nightly is €10. Our adjudicator is Paddy Farrelly. Paddy is Technical Manager at the Ramor Theatre Virginia & Townhall Theatre Cavan. There are three groups, Pomeroy, Clontarf & Glenamaddy, competing in the Confined Section and groups from Dalkey, Lifford and two from Wexford, in the Open Section. We look forward to welcoming all our patrons to another enthralling festival week. Your support is greatly appreciated.

9 to 5 THE MUSICAL: presented by Ballinamore Musical Society in the Island Theatre, 24th, 25th, 26th, 29th, 31st, & 1st April at 8pm, doors open 7:30 pm. Tickets at the Tourism Office 0719644513 or www.islandtheatre.ie

YOUR TOWN NEEDS YOU It's time to plan our **St. Patricks Day Parade Ballinamore, at 4pm on Friday 17th of March 2023**, but we can't do it without **YOU!** We are looking for volunteers to join our committee. If you are up for the challenge, we need to hear from you. Please send an email to ballinamoretourism@gmail.com or you can pop into the Tourist Office on Thursdays or Fridays. We are also asking all Businesses and Community Groups to put a float into or walk in the parade, please contact Martina in the Tourist Office ballinamoretourism@gmail.com

CAREER IN CHILDCARE: This Childcare Programme is managed by Leitrim Development Company and will help long-term unemployed to get training and work experience in childcare. Partly with QQI training in childcare, and partly with work experience. This is a P/T position. Applicants must be in receipt of a social welfare payment. For more information contact: Leitrim Dev. Company Tel: **086 391 4399** or **071 9641770** Email: schemes@ldco.ie

SEAN O'HESLINS: Club Draw, Thanks to all involved in last Sat nights monthly draw held in Priors. Tickets for March draw can be bought online, or in Murphy's, Priors, from Phillip Farley, and Alan Banks in Fresh today. All proceeds go towards running the club and your support is greatly appreciated. **GAELIC4GIRLS** Sean O'Heslins are hosting a fun 10-week programme designed to encourage girls to start playing, or return to playing, develop existing player's skills, and promote the social benefits of playing football. Open to girls born 2015-2011. Starting Monday 6th March 6-7pm. Contact Michelle **087 2977687** or Jenny on **087 2958837**

U11 BOTS TRAINING: is Thurs. 6pm to 7pm. For Boys born on or after 1/1/2012. Contact Jenny **087 2958837**

MNÁ LE CHEILE FUND-RAISING CAR WASH: The Mná Le Cheile ladies will be washing cars on Sat. 4th of March at 1pm at Wesley's Car Wash, all proceeds to Mná Le Cheile ladies' team, your support is greatly appreciated.

OLD SIGNS: from 'round the pitch, which were replaced, need picking up or disposal, call Seán on **087 6821566**.

REFLECTION:

To place faith in something other than one's self requires an element of Courage. Yet those who have put faith in God can testify that even greater courage – along with peace of mind – is to be found in doing so.

All New items for the Newsletter should be dropped into the Parish Office, Convent Road or emailed before 12 noon Thursdays to ballinamore@kilmorediocese.ie.

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