

BALLINAMORE & DRUMREILLY LOWER PARISH NEWSLETTER

10th September 2023.

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Feast Days: 12th Most Holy Name of Mary, 13th St John Chrysostom Thurs 14th The Exaltation of the Holy Cross Fri 15th Our Lady of Sorrows, Sat 16th St Cornelius and St Cyprian

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

Ballinamore Church:

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

Sat 9th Sep 11 am No Intention

Sun 10th Sep 11 am Tommy, Mae and Geraldine Kellegher (Main Street & Seán Beallach)

Tom and Alice McGovern (Ballyduff) and Mary Travers (Railway Road)

Wed 13th Sep 7 pm John and Alice Maher, John Joe Maher, Ann Maher Duddy, Norah Maher Brady, Alice Teresa Maher McCarthy and Peter Maher.

Sat 16th Sep 11 am Lena and Francis McGovern (Aughoo East)

Sun 17th Sep 11 am Tom, Madge and Margie Gilheany (Aughaleague) and all deceased of the Gilheany family
Mathew and Rose Dolan (late of Fenagh)

Francis, Katie and Josephine McGarry (St Bridgets Street)

Eucharist Ministers: 10th Marian Quinn & Padraig McAodh 17th Philomena Early, Mary McWeeney & Aileen Wisley
24th Micheal Darcy, Maeve Sharpley & Noel Dolan 1st Oct Alice Costello, Raymond mcHugh and Marcella McKiernan

Ministers of the Word 10th Ciara Creamer 17th Sep Niamh Griffin 24th Sep Kay Maguire 1st Oct John Darcy

Door Collectors: 10th Sep Vera Brennan, Tommy McWeeney, Micheal Hanly & Joe Murphy 17th & 24th Liam McGovern, Pat Joe Dolan & Dessie Wisely 1st & 8th Oct Philip Murphy, John Conway, Pat Ferguson & Dan Gallogly

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

Aghnasheelin, St. Mary's Church:

Fri 7pm & Sat 8:15

Mass Intentions

Sat 9th Sep 8:15 pm People of the Parish

Sat 16th Sep 8:15 pm Micheal Murray (Killaneen) and all deceased family members

Eucharist Ministers: 9th Sep Laura Creaven and Garry Prior 16th & 23rd Sep Detta McNiffe and Tom Prior

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

Corraleeahan St. Brigid's Church:

Wed 9:30 am & Sat 7pm

Mass Intentions

Sat 9th Sep 7 pm: Gerard Maxwell (Kiltyhugh) 4th Anniversary

Sat 17th Sep 7 pm: Rose, Micheal and Hugh Maguire (Corraleeahan) and deceased family members.

Eucharistic Adoration Wednesday 10 am to 8

Aughawillan St Patrick's Church:

Sun 9.45am

Mass Intentions

Sun 10th Sep 9:45 am: Annie Foster (Drumreilly, Garadice)

Sun 17th Sep 9:45am: Monica Prior (nee Gallagher) and all deceased members of the Prior and Gallagher families
John and Mary Maguire (Corramahon) and all deceased family members

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

RECENT BAPTISM: we welcome into our Christian family, and congratulate her parents on this joyous occasion.

RECENT WEDDINGS: Congratulations to Daniel Hughes and Allana Kaiser also Tara Creamer and Gary Notley on their recent weddings. We wish them every good health and happiness in their future lives together.

RECENT DEATH: please pray for the souls of Noel Smith (High Street & London), Alacoque Kelly (née Wisley) (Ballinamore & Foxrock), Gerard O'Haire Aughawillan, Sean (John) Flynn (Aghnasheelin and Rathfarnham) and Pat Gallogly (Drumreilly) and all those who have recently departed.

May they Rest in Peace

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING: Tuesday 12th Sept in parish centre at 9pm.

CEMETERY SUNDAY 2023: Congratulations to all families on the way the graves were prepared and suitably adorned for the occasion. A special word of thanks to those who prepared the Liturgy in each Church area, and to all who participated in the Liturgy on the day. Thanks also to our Organists and Choirs for the beautiful way they enriched celebrations in each Church area. We are also grateful to our Sacristans, Altar Servers, Traffic Attendants, those who provided Sound Systems, Collectors and Stewards. Our grateful appreciation to our Volunteers, Cemetery Care takers, and to Gerry Keegan and the Rural Social Scheme members who provide an essential service in the maintenance and upkeep of our cemeteries. Thank you to all who helped in any way and for your ongoing co-operation. Please do not dump waste wreaths or any litter on cemetery grounds. Thankyou.

THE TOTUS TUUS MEN FOR CHRIST CONFERENCE 2023 - a Catholic Conference for Men will be LIVE & EXCLUSIVE on Radio Maria Ireland Saturday 16th Sept. @ 2 pm. Speakers for this years Conference are Fr. Billy Swan, Fr. Chris Hayden, Anthony Crossey & Fr. John Harris OP further information from Fiona Kiely 086 876 0058

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 we suggest that you 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. For practical reasons Masses should be booked via email / Office phone number please.

ANNAGH PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL – BELTURBET, DRUMALEE & REDHILLS: will mark the Golden Jubilee of **Fr. John Mc Tiernan's** Ordination with a Special Mass of Thanksgiving **7 pm Friday, 22nd September**, in the **Church of the Immaculate Conception, Belturbet**. Refreshments will be served afterwards in the Seven Horseshoes. Friends, Colleagues & Acquaintances are cordially invited.

COMMUNITY NOTES

AUGHNASHEELIN HALL Social Dancing classes with Rena Bannon resume Wed 13th Sept. 8.30 pm. All welcome.

SOCIAL DANCE Fri 15th Sep with Michael O'Brien and Philomena McGovern. Dancing 9.30-11.30pm. All Welcome.

BALLINAMORE YOUTH MUSICAL SOCIETY: announce our first musical production of 'The New Wizard of Oz' to be staged in the Island Theatre, February 2024. This production will be open to children from 3rd class - 2nd year. An information meeting will be held in the Island Theatre this Monday, 11th September @ 8.30pm sharp for **children accompanied by their parents/guardians**. We look forward to seeing you there!

SING TOGETHER at the ISLAND THEATRE Monthly drop-ins from Saturday 23rd Sep 11am-12.30pm, refreshments afterwards. Pay as you go/or can €5/€10/€15. Follow on dates are 21st Oct, 18th Nov, & 16th December. Call Sarah on **087 762 0523** or sarah@sarahgarden.ie for more information. Singing together is a great way to build community, lift spirits and make friends. Everyone is welcome (over 12s - 123!) and you don't need to have ANY experience with singing. Session is facilitated by Sarah Garden, and is a chance to sing songs from around the world and every genre

IRISH MUSIC CLASSES FOR TIN WHISTLE AND FLUTE: classes for both tin whistle and flute will be resume in the Seán O'Heslin's GAA club Fri. 29th October @ 7pm weekly. For information by call **087 6821566** after 5pm

BALLINAMORE GREENWAY PARKRUN & WALK: every Saturday at 9.30am - looking forward to seeing you there.
CANAL BANK WALK: meet at the Basin opposite SuperValu at **7pm on Mondays**, all welcome.

GARDENING COURSES STARTING IN BALLINAMORE ETB CENTRE:

QQi Level 4 Plant Identification every Wednesday from 10am-2pm. **QQi Level 3 Garden Planning** every Thursday from 10am-2pm. Both courses are free to everyone over 18. To register call or just call up to Seamus **087 916 8087**.

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@leirimcoco.ie to book a class or call into the library for a chat with a member of staff.

MOHILL COMPUTER TRAINING (SEPTEMBER 2023) An opportunity to upskill, gain employment or access third level education with our full time QQI Level 5 and a part time QQI Level 4 computer courses. You may be entitled to a training allowance. ↑ 390 CAO points for our F/T course. Call **071 9632024** or email margaret@mct.ie for information.

LEITRIM LADIES GFA – A BIG THANK YOU: to all across Leitrim who contributed to our church gate collection. We were delighted with the support we received, it is an important contribution towards the running costs of the largest female sporting organization in the county. We have almost 1,900 playing members with over 1,300 of those underage. We raised close to €5,000 and this will be used for the support and development of Ladies Gaelic Football in Leitrim. Huge Thanks from all our members! Míle buíochas ónár mbaill go léir! 💎💎💎

SEAN O'HESLINS: Tickets for September Draw available online, or in Murphy's, Priors Bar, from Phillip Farrelly, and Alan Banks in Fresh today your support is appreciated. Results of last Saturday nights draw are 1st Prize €200 Lynda Harte. 2nd Prize €150 Adrian Smith. 3rd Prize €100 Gerard McCartin. 4th Prize €50 Marian Quinn. 5th Prize €50 Gerry Mahon. **SCÓR:** Leitrim Senior Scór takes place Fri 6th Oct in Leitrim Village Community Centre. Quiz 7:30 pm & Stage acts commencing 8:30pm. Closing Date for Entries is Monday 2nd October

CONGRATULATIONS TO NIAMH & CATHERINE SMITH who won the County final with (St Pats) Toronto last week.

TEMPLEPORT DAY CENTRE: re opens on Wed. next Sep. 13th. Usual transport arrangements. New members welcome. Please contact Kathleen **087 7921683** or Anne **087 285 7471**. Looking forward to seeing you all again.

SEASON OF CREATION: 1st September – 4th October. In accord with the theme for the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation 'Let Justice and Peace Flow', (Amos 5:24), Pope Francis calls us to be just in every situation, to harmonise with creation and to mindful of the victims of climate injustice. This year's theme highlights that by a little care for our water supply—our local streams and rivers—each of us can be tributaries to justice in our world. Our

Kilmore Care of Creation Group are involved in the preparation of 10am Mass to be celebrated by Bishop Martin in the Cathedral of St. Patrick & St. Felim, on Sunday 10th September 2023 to be broadcast on Northern Sound Radio

REFLECTION - A prayer for our earth [Laudato Si]

All-powerful God, you are present in the whole universe, and in the smallest of your creatures. You embrace with your tenderness all that exists. Pour out upon us the power of your love, that we may protect life and beauty. Fill us with peace that we may live as brothers and sisters, harming no one. O God of the poor, help us to rescue the abandoned and forgotten of this earth, so precious in your eyes. Bring healing to our lives, that we may protect the world and not prey on it, that we may sow beauty, not pollution and destruction. Touch the hearts of those who look only for gain at the expense of the poor and the earth. Teach us to discover the worth of each thing, to be filled with awe and contemplation, to recognise that we are profoundly united with every creature as we journey towards your infinite light. We thank you for being with us each day. Encourage us, we pray, in our struggle for justice, love and peace.

ALONE volunteers required: ALONE are looking for people to volunteer on their befriending program or telephone services, Mark McCollum - Volunteer Support Officer, would give a brief presentation on the work of ALONE to community groups. He can be contacted on **086 169 3024** or the Donegal Office: **074 932 1598** or you can begin your volunteering journey with ALONE via the website - <https://alone.ie/volunteer/> National Support Line: **0818 222 024**

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.

FREE QQI LEVEL 5 HEALTH NUTRITION & FOOD SCIENCE full-time Adult Education course starting at the Further Education and Training Centre, Drumshanbo, located in the Enterprise Centre on the Hilly Road, this September 2023, For more information please go to www.fetchcourses.ie, www.vtosleirim.ie, Facebook and Twitter @VTOSLeirim, email Seán Bailey at seanbailey@msletb.ie or call on **086-0624200**

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 sligoleirim@alcoholforum.com you don't have to be addicted to suffer from addiction!

STRIDES FOR LIFE: This is a walking programme for people recovering from cancer treatment. The programme aims to bring participants to a level of fitness where they can help reduce their risk of a recurrence and improve their health and quality of life. Recommended by the Irish Cancer Society, it is individualised for each participant's fitness level with a personal schedule which gradually increases every week over the 12 weeks. The course will begin in Cavan in September. Organised by the Cuan cancer social and support centre, the course is free and is suitable for all levels of ability. A friend or family member is also welcome to take part. Tea/Coffee after each walk and Pre-registration is required. Text/phone **087 648 6076** or Email mcaleernuala@gmail.com.

ISLAND THEATRE BALLINAMORE events this autumn/winter: **A WEE TAP** - Culture night '23 - 22nd September. **ANNE GILDEA:** 14th October. **THE DON TIDEY AFFAIR: THE KIDNAPPING** - book launch - 20th October. **JOE THE MAGICIAN:** - 29th October. **GREATEST 80s** 25th November, **THE BJORN IDENTITY** - tribute to ABBA in concert 9th December 2023. Bookings on www.islandtheatre.ie or at Ballinamore Tourist Office or phone **071 964 4513**

FEBRUARY 2024 SEES THE 2 Yrs. BETTER TOGETHER- NÍOS FEARR LE CHÉILE PIP COME TO A CLOSE:

There are 2 Events planned for November 2023; Thursday 23rd Nov – a Libraries Symposium, a one-off event to complete our Cross-Border Reading Project. The evening will comprise of a number of informative seminars, discussion groups, and culminates with a special roundtable event – Exploring the themes of the project; looking at similarities and differences from the books chosen related to borders/boundaries, good relations, equality and peace and reconciliation. A number of our high profile authors will be in attendance. Refreshments will be served throughout the evening, and will run from 5pm – 9pm in the island Theatre, Ballinamore.

Celebratory event – Friday 24th Nov – All welcome for an evening of celebration and recognition of the achievements of the **'Better Together – Níos Fearr Le Chéile Peace Impact Programme 2022 – 2024'** A celebratory evening in tribute to the accomplishments and achievements realised by the project and it's participants over the past 2 years. The evening will be an insightful experience, showcasing the journeys, efforts and contributions from all involved. Refreshments will be served throughout the evening, and will run from 3pm – 7pm in the Island Theatre, Ballinamore. For more information please call **087 383 5513**

Anne Gildea – Comedy October 14th @ 8pm How to Get The Menopause and Enjoy It has been wowing audiences and critics alike, and playing to packed theatres all over Ireland, since its sell-out launch last year. "The funniest, most honest, and real show I have ever been to!"

Joe the Magician - Children's Entertainment October 29th @ 3pm - its Joe the Magician from RTÉjr! And he's bringing his spectacular children's comedy magic and illusion show to the Island Theatre for one spectacular afternoon of mind boggling fun! Ages 4 - 12

Greatest 80s – Music November 25th @ 8pm - This high-energy show features all of your favourite hits from the decade of neon and big hair, including songs from iconic artists like Duran Duran, a-ha and Spandau Ballet to name just a few. Don't miss your chance to relive the decade that defined a generation.

Bookings on www.islandtheatre.ie or in person in Ballinamore Tourist Office or phone **071 964 4513**

CAIRDE CEANNABÓ 2023: Tickets now on sale for Cairde Ceannabó 2023 our supporters club draw. Cairde Ceannabó helps to fund all teams, nursery to adults - with €1,000 in prize money to be given away! You can buy tickets from club members or you can use Revolut to purchase by contacting Michael McTague on **086 390 6791** or Ruairi Sullivan **087 248 8875** Up Ceannabó!

NURSERY & U7 Sat @ 11am on the back pitch in the Pairc. All welcome. For more contact Jenny **087 295 8837**

U11 TRAINING boys Thurs. 6pm - 7pm. Boys born on or after 1/1/2012 are welcome. Jenny McTague **087 295 8837**

U13 TRAINING: boys Tues. 7pm-8pm (Ballinamore) and Thurs 7pm-8pm (Kiltubrid) Michael McTague **086 390 6791**