



BALLINAMORE & DRUMREILLY LOWER PARISH NEWSLETTER

Sunday 12th of December 2021

Third Sunday of Advent

Feast Days, Dec 13th St Lucy, Dec 14th St John of the Cross, Dec 18th St Flannan

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"St. Patrick's Ballinamore, St. Mary's Aughnasheelin or St Brigid's Corraleehan"

Ballinamore St. Patrick's Church: Mass Mon & Wed at 7pm, Tues, Thurs, & Fri, 9am, Sat & Sun 11am

Mass Intentions

- Sat 11th Dec 11 am** Vera & Jim McTague (Lahard) & deceased family members of the Smyth & McTague families
Frank and Eileen Logan (Saint Brigid's Street) and all deceased family members
- Sun 12th Dec 11 am** John Joe and Kathleen Smyth (Ballyduff)
- Wed 15th Dec 7 pm** Mass in celebration of Mary McCaffrey (Knockvicker), on her **100th Birthday**
- Thurs 16th Dec 9 am** Patrick and Margaret McGoldrick (Lisnatullagh)
- Sat 18th Dec 11 am** Claire Creamer (Stradermot) **Months Mind**
- Sun 19th Dec 11 am** Barney Breen (Aughadark), and Paddy & Pam McGovern
Joseph and Mary Gormley (High Street)
Janie McCormack & Thomas Galligan, and all deceased family members
- Mon 20th Dec 7 pm** Paddy Crossan (Tully) **(1st Anniversary)**
- Eucharist Ministers** **Dec 12th** Evelyn McHugh, Marion Sharpley, PJ Mc Loughlin. **Dec 19th** Brendan Sweeney,
Tommy Moran, Bridie McCafferty, Ellis O'Dell
- Ministers of the Word** **Dec 12th** Marie Sweeney **Dec 19th** Thomas Kelly **Christmas Eve** and **Christmas Day** Marie
O'Connor, **Dec 26th** Gabriel Cronin
- Door Collectors** **12th&19th** Felim Maxwell, Dominic McGovern, John Galligan, **Group 2: 26th Dec & 2nd Jan**
Francis McTague, Brendan Brennan, Sean McKeon, & Alan Banks.
- Eucharistic Adoration** suspended while work continues in the Prayer Room

Aughnasheelin, St. Mary's Church: Mass Friday and Saturday 7 pm

Mass Intentions

- Sat 11th Dec 7 pm** Pat and Katie Sammon and John and Rosanne Murphy
Ann Higgins nee Prior (Gubnaveigh & England) **Months Mind**
Johnny Mahon (Buggaun), also John Joe & Ellen Mahon and all deceased family members
- Sat 18th Dec 7 pm** Nora Flynn (Corrabeeagher) **Months Mind**
Tommy & Bernadette Harvey (Auglin) and deceased members of the Harvey & Gilhooly families

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

Corraleehan St. Brigid's Church: Mass Wednesday 9:30 and Sunday at 9:45 am

Mass Intentions

- Sun 12th Dec 9:45 am** Cosmos Prior, Bernie & Katie Prior and all deceased family members
- Sun 19th Dec 9:45 am** People of the Parish

Eucharistic Adoration **Wednesday** 10 am to 8 pm, All Welcome

Aughawillan St Patrick's Church: Mass Saturday at 8:15 pm

Mass Intentions

- Sat 11th 8:15 pm** People of the Parish
- Sat 18th 8:15 pm** Margaret Martin (Drumarigna) and deceased members of the Martin and Gallagher families

RECENT DEATH: We pray for the soul of **Steve Williams** (brother of Maura Sweeney) who died this week in
England **May He Rest in Peace**

CHURCH NOTES

CHRISTMAS MASSES 2021

Christmas Eve: Aughnasheelin 6pm: (Special Children's mass for all parishioners) Ballinamore 7pm, Aughawillan
8.15pm, Ballinamore 9.30pm

Christmas Day: Aughnasheelin 10am, Corraleehan 11am, Ballinamore 12pm

Sunday Dec 26th (St Stephens Day) Corraleehan 9.45, Aughawillan 11am, Aughnasheelin 11am, Ballinamore 12pm

Confessions for Christmas: Confessions will be available in the sacristy or some other suitable location after all
masses during the week before Christmas or anytime on request.

VISITATION OF THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND WILL TAKE PLACE THIS WEEK: Aughawillan, Aughnasheelin
and Corraleehan on the morning of Thursday Dec.16th, Ballinamore rural area in the afternoon, Ballinamore town
area on Friday morning. Fr. Sean and Fr. Johnnie will be in contact before their visit.

BALLINAMORE PRAYER GROUP: meet Tuesdays from 8:30 to 9:45 pm, in St Brigid's Parish Centre, all welcome.

COPIES OF THE IRISH CATHOLIC NEWSPAPER: are in Ballinamore Church Porch. Put €2.50 in the Trócaire Box

BALLINAMORE CHURCH: Work continues in the prayer room; we thank you for your co-operation.

WHILE WE HAVE FULL CAPACITY IN OUR CHURCHES: it is important that we **remain CoVid19 vigilant**, respect each other's space, **observe social distancing, use face masks, sanitise our hands** when entering and leaving the church, and refrain from physical contact. To prevent the spread of CoVid19 and with respect for the bereaved families and relatives **please do not shake hands** when sympathising in Church.

GENTLE REMINDER: As the end of the year approaches it would be appreciated if your church contributions were bought up to date. Offertory contributions towards the upkeep of church are made payable to the church area where you reside. All Dues contributions towards salaries for priests are made payable to Priests Revenue A/C Ballinamore.

VISITATION OF THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND: dates to be confirmed next week in preparation for Christmas.

COMMUNITY NOTES

BALLINAMORE SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL (087 936 0562):

SVP donation envelopes are available in local churches, and our Annual Food appeal will take place in Tesco and SuperValu, December (15th - 24th) with donation boxes available in store, or donations can be made directly to the SVP account in Ballinamore Credit Union, IBAN:IE49BLRU99224009342021 and BIC: BLRUIE21, or manually in the Credit Union to Acc No 9320380, we appreciate your ongoing support.

SANTA SAYS HE REALLY ENJOYED HIS TRIP TO

BALLINAMORE: What a super fella! And he said we were all super too! We all say a really, really, big thankyou to Santa and all the Elves who walked the 2 ½ hours around town, during this very busy time for them. We also want to thank the Gardai and Firemen and all the other helpers on the night, our security car, camera man, and the social media folk, and most important of all, to all of you who Santa wanted to see! To all of you who turned up to make the evening extra special. Thank you so much.

BALLINAMORE HENS' SHED - CRAFTY CHRISTMAS MONDAYS 10.30 am – 1pm: A handmade gift is more precious than a last-minute buy. Learn and get support to craft in the company of other women. Bring your own materials and equipment, protocols in place to safely share. Old Tech, Ballinamore. For info call Sarah **087 762 0523**

ISLAND THEATRE BALLINAMORE: presents Cathál Roches North North-West Quartet (Conor Murray-Bass, David Little-Drums, & Phil Ronson-Guitar) Fri 18th Dec @ 8 pm admission €5, including complementary glass of mulled wine

BALLINAMORE COMHALTAS BEGINNER FIDDLE, FLUTE AND TIN WHISTLE CLASSES:

Class dates in line with demand. Instrument rental available. €10 per week. Fiddle, call Sarah on **087 762 0523**
Flute and Tin Whistle, call Saoirse **089 410 9156**

MEDITATION WITH ART: has concluded for 2021, we wish everyone a Happy & Healthy Christmas and we will resume in the New Year, if you wish to inquire about Art Meditation or Sound Meditation call Mary on **087 290 1913**

IN-CALF ROAN OR WORLDWIDE ROAM! Corlough GAA Fundraiser. Win an In-Calf Heifer, Holiday of Your Choice, OR a Centre Parks Getaway! All for €20. Tickets available online, @Corlough GAA Facebook page or any member.

SEAN O'HESLINS NEW YEAR DRAW: Tickets are now available. Please text **086 390 6791** or message us on our Facebook page, you can pay by Revolut, tickets are also available from club members.

DEEPEST SYMPATHY: We pass on our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of the late **Mary Boyle**. Please keep the Boyle and McGovern families in your thoughts and prayers at this time, and to the family and friends of **Pat Rehill**, Pat an accomplished hurler won a senior title playing in goals in 1987, and over the years he coached some of our underage teams. Also we regret the passing of **Louis Quinn**, Louis's family are tremendous supporters of the club and they have given so much help to us over the years. Please keep all deceased members, their families and friends in your thoughts and prayers at this difficult time. **A SPECIAL THANKS:** to all who supported our Christmas tea and cake stand at the Hall Christmas fair on Saturday, the support is greatly appreciated by our ladies' team.

REFLECTION

Today, the third Sunday of Advent is called 'Gaudete Sunday' which means 'Joy' or Rejoice'. The opening antiphon for today's liturgy asks us to **Rejoice is the Lord always; again, I say rejoice. Indeed, the Lord is near.** Today, on our Advent Wreath we light our pink candle to mark this day of joy.



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