

BALLINAMORE & DRUMREILLY LOWER PARISH NEWSLETTER

17th St Patrick's Day & 20th March 2022 - 3rd Sunday of Lent,

Feast Days 19th St Joseph & 25th March the Annunciation of the Lord

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Ballinamore St. Patrick's Church:

Church closed until further notice

We ask Eucharistic Ministers, Ministers of the Word, and Door Collectors, who are listed for Ballinamore Church to make themselves available for the 11 am Mass on Sundays in St Mary's Church Aughnasheelin.

Eucharist Ministers: 17th Mar Sean Creamer, Deirdre Harvey, and Pdraig McAodh 20th Mar. Philomena Early, Mary McWeeney, Aileen Wisely 27th Mar. Michael Darcy, Maeve Sharpley, and Noel Dolan

Minister of the Word 17th Mar Alan Banks 20th Mar Leigh Murphy 27th Mar. Raymond McHugh

Door Collectors: 20th & 27th Seamus Earley, Austin Quinn, Michael Fanning and Camillus Martin.

WEEKLY OFFERTORY AND MONTHLY DUES ENVELOPES: can continue to be left in the safe of Ballinamore Church, the weekly Parish Newsletter will also be available in the usual place in Ballinamore Church, while the main church door will be left open we ask you please not to enter the main body of the church.

THE IRISH CATHOLIC NEWSPAPER: is available in Aughnasheelin Church Porch, please €2.50 in the Candelabra

Aughnasheelin, St. Mary's Church:

Mon, Wed, Fri & Sat 7pm, Tues & Wed 7:30 am, Fri at 9 am, & Sat & Sun 11 am

Mass Intentions

Sat 19th Mar 7 pm Alfie Vickery, Mary and Michael Cunnion

Sun 20th Mar 11 am Bernie Clyne (Park Feá) **Months Mind**

Sat 26th Mar 7 pm John and Eileen Maguire (Gubnaveigh) and their son Michael Francis (Longford) Michael, Mamie, Francis, Josephine, Adrian and baby Ffion McGirl (Drumany)

Sun 27th Mar 11 am Michael and Maureen O'Hara (Ardrum) Phil and Lily McGovern (Tully), & all deceased members of the McGovern & Cosgrove Family Jimmy and Eleanor Leddy (Lahard) and Victor Burke (Dublin & Ballinamore)

Stations of the Cross for Lent: after 7pm Mass on Friday, 18th Mar. Kerry Meehan & 25th Mar. Philip Roddy

Eucharist Ministers: 19th & 26th Mar Peter Flynn and Margaret Murphy

Minister of the Word: 19th & 26th Mar Confirmation Class

Door Collectors: March 2022 Peter Flynn, Brendan Reynolds & Brian O'Dowd

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

Corraleehan St. Brigid's Church:

Mass Wed 9:30 am and Sun 9:45 am

Mass Intentions

Sun 20th Mar 9:45 am No Intention

Sun 27th Mar 9:45 am No Intention

Eucharist Ministers: Nora Dolan and Annie McManus

Minister of the Word: Michael Prior and Helen McGovern

Door Collectors: Gerry Meehan and Joseph McNiff

Eucharistic Adoration Wednesday 10 am to 8 pm, All Welcome

Aughawillan St Patrick's Church:

Mass Sat 8:15 pm

Mass Intentions

Sat 19th Mar 8:15 pm Jack and Christina Fox (Glendargen) and all deceased family members

Sat 26th Mar 8:15 pm Bernard Prior and his mother Molly Prior **Months Mind**

Patrick and Rita McCauley (Drumreilly)

Eucharist Ministers: Michelle Dolan and Mary Farrell Quinn

Minister of the Word: Doreen Flanagan and Donal Quinn

Altar Society: Michelle Dolan and Kate Meaken

Door Collectors: Paddy Deane and Gerry Flanagan

RECENT DEATH: Pray for the souls of all the recently Departed **May they Rest in Peace**

RECENT BAPTISM: We welcome Diniya Ozola to our Christian family, and congratulations to their Family on this joyous occasion.

TROCAIRE BOXES: Please collect your Trócaire Box. They are available in the porch of each church.

A SPECIAL COLLECTION WILL TAKE PLACE AT MASSES ON THE WEEKEND OF SUNDAY 27th MARCH:

The proceeds of this collection will be distributed to Churches in Ukraine by the Irish Episcopal Conference. Trócaire is currently responding to the crisis through its partners Caritas Ukraine & Caritas Poland who are present in the area.

CHURCH NOTES

WE ARE LOOKING FOR NEW EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS for Aughawillan and Corraleehan Churches, if you are interested or if you consider someone else to be suited to this ministry, please let Fr Sean or Fr Johnny know.

BALLINAMORE PRAYER GROUP: meet Tuesdays from 8:30 to 9:45 pm, in St Brigid's Parish Centre, all welcome
Ballinamore Church is closed for refurbishment, all scheduled Masses are transferred to Aughnasheelin.

A minibus service will collect Sunday Mass attendees, from St Patrick's Church, **leaving the Church @ 10:45 am**, to transport them to Mass in Aughnasheelin. **Service is subject to demand, call 071 9644 039 to book a seat.**

CONVERSATION ON OUR FUTURE IN FAITH: (synodality) we hope you have received a letter during the week from Fr Seán on behalf of the Parish Pastoral Council. The purpose of the letter is to get your views on the future of our Faith, our Church and our Parish. We would appreciate you taking some time to answer the questionnaire and return it to St Brigid's Parish Centre or leave in a special designated box in each Church. If you did not receive the letter additional copies are in the office and in the porch of each Church, please return before 25th March.

ELECTION OF PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL: Bishop Martin has issued a pastoral letter on the role of the Parish Pastoral Councils, as new Parish Pastoral Council elections will take place shortly, it is important for us all to reflect on the role of the Pastoral Council and to think of suitable persons who will serve on the councils for the next term.

COMMUNITY NOTES

1ST LEITRIM SCOUTS ARE NOW ENROLLING: Cubs (age 8-11years) & Scouts (age 12-15years). New and existing members welcome. Program starts 6th April (days and times will vary), activities include hiking, camping, kayaking, learning basic first aid, map reading and survival skills, treasure trails, games, guest speakers, educational visits and more. Please enrol before 31st March by email scouts1stleitrim@yahoo.com or text/WhatsApp **087 288 8805**, including child's name and age and contact number, and one of our Scouters will contact you with further details.

ATHLETIC CLUB Winter training continues on Tuesdays & Thursdays 'til 7th April, summer training begins April 26th.

AUGHNASHEELIN BINGO: this Thurs @ 8.30pm, €445 on last page every night, come along & try your luck.

AUGHNASHEELIN COMMUNITY CENTRE SOCIAL DANCING WITH RINA BANNON: Wed 8pm Call **086 8506696**

AUGHAWILLAN WHIST DRIVE @ COMMUNITY CENTRE: Tues. 8th Mar 8:30 pm. All whist players welcome.

BALLINAMORE BOCCIA (INDOOR BOULES) CLUB: Wednesdays in Community Hall 11am to 1pm, all welcome.

ST BRIGIDS LFGA 5KM FUN RUN/WALK: - will take place on Saturday 2nd April in aid of St Brigid's LGFA. Donations will also be made to Marie Keating Foundation Registration from 10am at Ballinamore Sports Complex and will the 5km Run/Walk starting at 11am. €10 per entry, family entry €20.

BALLINAMORE LIBRARY: 'Digital Support for Older People Project' provides digital support across Leitrim Libraries, in a weekly, 'drop in' manner. This training is on a **1-to-1 basis, 2-3 hour slot and is free** to those who wish to learn about using (smartphones, tablets, & iPads). Guidance regarding texting, using email, downloading apps, looking up information, online shopping/banking, making appointments, accessing government and health information, using social media, and online safety and scams. Contact **(071) 96 45566**

DECADE OF CENTENARIES OPEN CALL FUNDING - 2022: is open, anyone considering making a funding app. can email the Library Service leitrimlibrary@leitrimcoco.ie for details and questions regarding the application process.

CUAN CANCER SUPPORT CENTRE: is a social support & wellness group for those with a cancer diagnosis & their family members. We offer a free & confidential counselling service by appointment. Check out Cuan Centre Website (www.cuancavancancer.ie) or contact the Mon, Wed & Fri. 10am-1pm & 2-4pm. **086 455 6632** email: cuan@cavan.ie

SPECIAL AWARDS PRESENTED, FOR SENIOR MENS & FOR LADIES PLAYER OF THE YEAR as voted by fellow players. Congratulations to Megan McGovern and Oisín McCaffrey on their well-deserved awards.

BALLINAMORE PATIENT COMFORT FUND: are raising money for the Residents of the Ballinamore Nursing home. This is a chance to win either a Signed Ballinamore or Leitrim jersey. Cards are in local businesses. Please Support.

CÚL CAMP: This year's Cúl Camp is 25th to 29th of July. More information on booking will be available soon.

MOTHERS AND OTHERS: sessions 7:30 pm on Mondays at Sean O'Heslins grounds, contact Celia **(087) 666 2111**

Fr Seán & Fr Johnny and the Parish Pastoral Council wish all parishioners and visitors a Happy and Blessed St Patricks day and weekend.

REFLECTION – IT CAN'T BE CARRIED ALONE

How can we not feel shock or rage at what is happening to the people of Ukraine?

As we watch their suffering unfold in real time from an unfair distance.

Who of us does not feel inept or powerless before such manifest evil? In this, at least, we are united.

Our partisan divisions now appear small and trivial.

Remember what we teach: both evil and goodness are first of all, social phenomena.

The Body of Christ is crucified and resurrected at the same time.

We stand faithfully inside both these mysteries (in contemplation)

In loving solidarity, we each bear what is ours to carry,
the unjust weight of crucifixion, in expectant hope for God's transformation.

May we be led to do what we can on any level (action) to create resurrection!

The people of Ukraine have much to teach the world.