

BALLINAMORE & DRUMREILLY LOWER PARISH NEWSLETTER

19th November 2023

World Day of the Poor

33rd Sunday in OT

Feast Days: 21st The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, 22nd St Cecilia,
23rd St Columbanus, 25th St Colman of Cloyne, & St Clement 1, Pope & Martyr

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

Ballinamore Church:

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

Sat 18th Nov 11 am Noel Smith **Months Mind**

Sun 19th Nov 11 am Patsy and Sheila Wrynn (Stradermott)

McGourty families from Aghnasheelin and Co. Meath, the Earley's from Mohill, and all deceased family members

Mon 20th Nov 7pm Bernadette (Detsy) Beirne (Aughoo) **1st Anniversary**

Tues 21st Nov 9 am **Faithful Departed**

Sat 25th Nov 11 am **Faithful Departed**

Sun 26th Nov 11 am Ann McCaffrey (Park Féa)

Patrick Rehill (Drumcroman) **2nd Anniversary**

Eucharistic Adoration Fridays 9.30am -10. 30am

Eucharist Ministers: 19th Brendan Sweeney, Tommy Moran, and Ellis O'Dell. 26th Nov Micheal Duignan and Peggy Ferguson 3rd Dec Thomas Kelly and Gerard Mc Cartin

Ministers of the Word 19th Mary McKiernan 26th Nov Micheal Dolan 3rd Dec Marie Sweeney

Door Collectors: 19th&26th Nov Felim Maxwell, Dominic McGovern, and John Galligan 3rd&10th Dec Francis McTague, Brendan Brennan, Sean McKeon and Alan Banks 17th 24th John McWeeney, Micheal Duignan, David Prior

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

Aghnasheelin, St. Mary's Church:

Fri 8pm & Sat 8:15

Mass Intentions

Fri 17th Nov 7 pm Faithful Departed

Sat 18th Nov 1 pm Pdraig Mulvey **Months Mind**

Sat 18th Nov 8:15 pm Nora Flynn **2nd Anniversary** also her husband Micheal Flynn (Corraleeahan)

Fri 24th Nov 8pm **Mass of Consolation for the Bereaved**

Sat 25th Nov 8:15pm Robert Boyle Months Mind

Thomas and Matilda Reilly (Cornabrone) and all deceased family members

Eucharist Ministers: 18th Nov Terence Boyle & Kealin Mulvanerty 25th & 2nd Dec Mary Rooney & Breda Mulvanerty

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

Corraleeahan St. Brigid's Church:

Wed 9:30 am & Sun 9:45 am

Mass Intentions

Sun 19th Nov 9:45 am Jack and Rita Walsh (Derradda) and all deceased family members

Wed 22nd Nov 9:45 am **Faithful Departed**

Sun 26th Nov 9:45 am

Faithful Departed

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

Aughawillan St Patrick's Church:

Sat 7pm

Mass Intentions

Sat 18th Nov 7 pm Noel McGovern (Boeshill) and all deceased members of the McGovern family.

Sat 25th Nov 7 pm Faithful Departed

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

RECENT DEATHS: Please pray for Patricia Gill (née Smith) Buggaun, Nuala McGovern (née McGoldrick), and May Hetherington (née Molloy), mother of Ann Marie McTague, and Margaret Lawrence (Ballinamore and Mohill)

May They Rest in Peace

MASS OF CONSOLATION FOR THE BEREAVED: Takes place in Aghnasheelin Church on 24th November at 8pm

PARISH MEETING: Thank you to all who attended last Monday nights meeting in the assembly hall in Ballinamore community school. Over 100 people attended, thank you to all for your participation and contribution in the discussion. A special word of thanks to Martin Kennedy who facilitated the meeting in a very professional manner. A report of the meeting is now being prepared by the notekeepers on the night and will be available to parishioners when completed. A copy will also be sent to Bishop Martin. Finally our appreciation to Mr. Diarmuid McCaffrey and the staff of Ballinamore Community School for preparing and making the assembly hall available to us to hold the meeting in.

THE REMEMBRANCE TREE: is a way of remembering deceased loved ones, please write the names of loved ones on a label and hang on the remembrance tree in Ballinamore Church. Please sit and pray for a while.

CHAPLAINCY DEPARTMENT - CAVAN GENERAL HOSPITAL: are holding a Remembrance Mass, Mon. 27th Nov, at 10 am, for those who passed away in the hospital during the past year and also for deceased relatives and friends of Staff. Mass will be in Cavan Cathedral and online at 10 am <https://www.churchservices.tv/cavancathedral>

KILMORE YOUTH MINISTRY CHRISTMAS ART COMPETITION. Primary school students in Kilmore Diocese are asked to "draw a picture of the first Nativity" Entry by 12th Dec. to Youth Ministry Office, The Conaty Centre, CoCavan

A MISSIONARY GROUP FROM BETHLEHEM - THE HOLY LAND are visiting Ballinamore & Drumreilly Lower Churches on the 25th & 26th of Nov. to sell religious articles (Crucifixes, Nativity cribs, and Plaques) made out of olive wood from Bethlehem to help support the poor Christian families living there, your help and support is much appreciated.



LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS: While families are welcome to invite outside soloists and musicians to perform at liturgical celebrations, for eg. Funerals or Weddings in our Churches, please advise them that they need to bring their own sound systems. The sound systems in our churches are fixed at particular settings, and any tampering or interfering with these settings puts the system out of sync and may need a professional to reset them.

BALLINAMORE PARISH: has setup an online interactive portal. This 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 hours a day, 7 days a week.

A MEMORIAL MASS AND HEALING SERVICE: will take in St Brigid's Church Killygarry, Cavan on Thurs. 23rd Nov. Celebrant Fr John Walsh, Limerick. Remembering all loved ones who have died. Confessions 6.15pm, Rosary 7pm, Holy Mass 7.30pm. The evening concludes with Benediction. Water, Salt and Oil will be blessed.

COMMUNITY NOTES

ATHLETIC CLUB training continues Tues & Thurs 7pm in the Sports Hall and St Felim's until Dec 14th, emphasis is on preparation for forthcoming Indoor Championships and Primary Schools Sports Hall Athletics.

AUGHNASHEELIN YELLOW RIVER DRAMA PLAYERS: Are hosting their launch night for their next production next **Tues. 21st Nov. in Aughnasheelin Hall at 8.30pm.** So if you are interested in getting involved, whether it be on stage, back stage, or helping out in any way, please come along, everyone welcome.

AUGHNASHEELIN COFFEE MORNING. Monica Ward thanks everyone who donated to the Coffee Morning held in Aughnasheelin Community Centre on 30th September. A total of €670 was raised for North West Hospice, Sligo.

POLICING AT NATIONAL AND LOCAL LEVEL IN POST FAMINE IRELAND: interesting Decade of Centenaries lecture presented by Padraig Griffin, in **Ballinamore Library on Fri. 24th Nov. at 8pm**, entitled 'Policing at National and Local level in post famine Ireland'. It includes information about the Royal Irish Constabulary, Civic Guards, An Garda Síochána, the Dublin Metropolitan Police and the Ulster Special Constabulary. Free event, and all welcome.

HO HO HO! it's that time of year again. Santa will turn on the Christmas Lights in Ballinamore on **Sat. 2nd Dec 5.30pm** We are so excited. He will not be doing his walk around town. He will be back with his grotto and elves.

BALLINAMORE BADMINTON CLUB: Tues at 9pm Ballinamore Sports Complex. €3 per night, PAYG. All welcome.

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

WALK ABOUT TOWN: meet at the Basin opposite SuperValu at **6 pm on Mondays** all welcome.

SCOIL CHLANN NAOFA: are accepting applications for admission for the 2023/24 school year. Please contact the school on **071 9645001** or email the school at info@coilchlannaofa.com for the enrolment pack. Thank you

COMHALTAS CEOLTÓIRÍ EIREANN: The monthly traditional Irish music session takes place on Sunday, 19th Nov. 6-7:30pm upstairs in the Island Theatre, Ballinamore. All musicians welcome & refreshments served. **087 762 0523**

THE CHERRY BLOSSOM CENTRE: RehabCare Ballinamore are having a fundraising coffee morning on **Wed. 22nd Nov. at 11am.** On the day we will be having a bake sale, raffle and our Drama Group will be performing their play "Keeping up appearances". All money raised will stay local. We would appreciate your support, All welcome.

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 – 8:30pm in the island Theatre, Ballinamore. A number of our high profile authors will be in attendance. Refreshments will be served throughout the evening, and will run from **5pm – 8:30pm in the island Theatre, Ballinamore.**

Fri 24th Nov - Celebratory event 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**

SEAN O'HESLINS AGM takes place in the clubrooms on Sun. Nov. 26th @ 6pm Nomination Forms and other Documents will be circulated in due course Spread the word.

REFLECTION:

Dear God, help us to avoid the business mentality of loss and profit in Divine worship.

Our relationship with God has no thought of loss or gain, but only of mutual love, respect, and the common good.

All New items for the Newsletter should be dropped into the Parish Office, Convent Road or emailed before 12 noon on Thursdays to ballinamore@kilmorediocese.ie the editor reserves the right to edit or omit items according to suitability of content & space in the newsletter

MARY'S MEALS CHRISTMAS GIFTS CAMPAIGN: With the cost of living crisis, times are that bit harder for us all. The Global School Feeding Movement Mary's Meals have launched our Christmas Gifts Campaign - giving gifts that have a real impact on those in need. From as little as €5.50, which will provide 50 meals for children in their place of education, you can make a big difference. Visit marysmeals.ie to download a gift or call **01-8535163 089-4339592**.

TEMPLEPORT DAY CENTRE: Due to reconstruction work in the Community Centre for the next few weeks. Day Centre activities are in the BallyMac Inn this week. Busses will go directly to the BallyMac Inn, so this is a reminder to anyone who usually drives to come to the BallyMac Inn at the usual time. Usual transport arrangements. New members always welcome. Further information from Kathleen **087 7921683** or Anne **087 285 7471**.

LINE DANCING CLASSES: We welcome John & Julie for Line Dancing classes in Corlough Community Centre at 8pm Tues eves 28th Nov. (not 21st Nov), Cost: €7 Adult & €4 under 18's must be accompanied by an adult.

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

GENTLE EXERCISE CLASS IN BALLINAMORE: chair exercises followed by movement to country music. Thurs 10am from 1st to 30th of November in Ballinamore old primary school beside the old convent. Call **087 939 0980**

BIBLE STUDY COURSE: Bishop-Emeritus Leo O'Reilly will deliver a six-week course on "Understanding the Gospel of St. Mark" in the Kilmore Diocesan Pastoral Centre, Cavan H12 E5C7 on Thursdays from 7:30 pm - 9 pm. Each evening will conclude with Lectio Divina, a meditative way of reading the Scriptures in which we let go of our own agendas and open ourselves to what God is trying to say to us through His Word. All welcome. A voluntary contribution each evening would be appreciated. For further information, please contact the Centre on **049 4375004** (Ext. 102) or by email to pastoralcentre@kilmorediocese.ie

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!

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.

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.

ELDERLY NAIL CARE @ HOME: Trimming, Shaping Finger and Toe Nails, Dry Skin Removal, Hand and Foot Massage. Home Visits available. Contact Sherry **085 725 7001** Leitrim and Longford areas

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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**

AN EVENING OF SONGS OF FAITH, HOPE AND LOVE IN KNOCK BASILICA – Fri. 1st Dec - 8pm, featuring Dana, John McNicholl, Margo, Philomena Begley and Marc Roberts with Úna Nolan & Schola Cantorum Basilicae choir. A fundraising concert for Victim Assistance Charity. Tickets from Ticketmaster.ie and Mary McNicholas, Victim Assistance HO, Aiden St., Kiltimagh, Co. Mayo **094 9000 251 & 086 3938871**. Email: support@victimassistance.ie

SING TOGETHER at the ISLAND THEATRE Monthly drop-ins **11am-12.30pm**, refreshments afterwards. Pay as you go/or can €5/€10/€15. Final date 2023 **16th December**. For more info call Sarah on **087 762 0523** or sarah@sarahgarden.ie. Singing together is a great way to build community, lift spirits and make friends. Everyone is welcome (over 12s to 123!) and **you don't need to have ANY singing experience**.

ISLAND THEATRE BALLINAMORE: GREATEST 80s 25th November, **THE BJORN IDENTITY** - tribute to ABBA in concert 9th Dec. 2023. Bookings on www.islandtheatre.ie or at Ballinamore Tourist Office or phone **071 964 4513**

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**

HEDGE CUTTING GRANT SCHEME 2023/2024: This scheme is now open and aims to encourage the cutting of roadside hedges/trees along the Public Road Network. Open to all, individual applicants, communities and groups. The Grant is €75 per km of the roadside hedge/overhanging trees which are cut back. Minimum length of road network per application is 1km. Further information and application forms are available from Leitrim Co Co website www.leitrimcoco.ie or by e-mail roads@leitrimcoco.ie or Tele **071 9620005** Ext. 630. Closing Date is 31st Jan. '24.

THEOLOGY ONLINE OPEN EVENING: The Priory Institute provides online Theology courses. Attend Sat lectures in Tallaght or from your own home. Click here or email enquiries@prioryinstitute.com for our Online Open Evening Wed 29th Nov. This is the link to register <https://prioryinstitute.com/events/2023-priory-institute-online-open-evening> If you have any further questions don't hesitate to email me, Frances O'Loughlin, www.prioryinstitute.com



2023 Priory Institute Online Open Evening

Starts: 7:00pm, Wednesday, November 29th, 2023

Ends: 8:00pm, Wednesday, November 29th, 2023

Is this for you? Why not attend our Online Open Evening and see

Take the opportunity to learn about what it would be like to study with us by attending our online Open Evening on Wednesday 29 November. Meet with staff and students, and watch a short introductory lecture on theology. We will be available to answer all of your questions about student life here and to talk theology over a zoom meeting. The event takes place over one hour from 7.00pm

[Waiting for the Light 2023 | The Sanctuary](#) We have a wonderful line up of contemporary speakers you, from a range of traditions. They will share their wisdom and experience of embracing darkness, as we wait for the arrival of brighter days, using the themes of Hope, Peace, Joy and Love.

Waiting for the Light 2023

A Winter Reflection

Kilmore Youth Ministry Christmas Art Competition

DRAW A PICTURE OF THE FIRST NATIVITY
1ST PRIZE IS A FAMILY TRIP TO EMERALD PARK

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KILMORE YOUTH MINISTRY CHRISTMAS ART COMPETITION. It's open to all primary school students in Kilmore Diocese. Participants are asked to "draw a picture of the first Nativity" Entries can be sent to Youth Ministry Office, The Conaty Centre Cullies Co Cavan. The closing date is December 12th 2023.

M-PACT

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