

BALLINAMORE & DRUMREILLY LOWER PARISH NEWSLETTER

Sunday 19th of December 2021

Fourth Sunday of Advent



Feast Days, Dec 20th St Fachanan, Dec 21st Peter Canisius, Dec 23rd St John of Kanty Saturday 25th December Birth of Christ the Saviour Christmas Day

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“St. Patrick’s Ballinamore, St. Mary’s Aughnasheelin or St Brigid’s Corraleeahan”

Ballinamore St. Patrick’s Church:

Mass Mon & Wed 7pm, Tues, Thurs, 9 am (no Mass Fri am) Mon 27th – 31st 11am daily

Mass Intentions

Sat 18th Dec 11 am

Claire Creamer (Stradermot) **Months Mind**

Eugene Fee (Derrinkehir Brady) and deceased family members

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)**

Christmas Eve 7 pm

James Bohan (Drumrane) and deceased family members

Christmas Eve 9:30 pm

People of the Parish

Christmas Day 12 pm

Special Intention

St Stephens Day 12 am

People of the Parish

Thurs 30th Dec 11 am

Louis Quinn **Months Mind**

Sat 1st Jan 12 noon

People of the Parish

Eucharist Ministers Dec 19th Brendan Sweeney, Tommy Moran, Bridie McCafferty, Eilis O'Dell

Ministers of the Word Dec 19th Thomas Kelly **Christmas Eve Christmas Day** Marie O'Connor, Dec 26th Gabriel Cronin

Door Collectors

19th Dec **Felim Maxwell**, Dominic McGovern, John Galligan, and **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: This Week Mass Friday Christmas Eve 6pm and Christmas Day 10 am

Mass Intentions

Sat 18th Dec 7 pm

Nora Flynn (Corrabeegher) **Months Mind**

Tommy & Bernadette Harvey (Auglin) and deceased members of the Harvey & Gilhooly families

Christmas Eve 6 pm

Special Children’s mass for all parishioners

Christmas Day 10 am

No Intention

St Stephens Day 11 am

No Intention

Sat 1st of Jan 2 pm

Mary Boyle (Tullybawn) **Months Mind**

Eucharistic Ministers (Dec)

Caroline Sammon and Sheila O'Dowd

Eucharistic Adoration

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

Corraleeahan St. Brigid’s Church:

This week Mass Wednesday 22nd 9:30 am & Christmas Day 11 am

Mass Intentions

Sun 19th Dec 9:45 am

Please pray for the Souls of Michael & Pee Galligan, also their parents Katie & Patrick Galligan, (Drumcroman).

Christmas Day 11 am

No Intention

St Stephens Day 9:45 am

No Intention

Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesday 10 am to 8 pm, All Welcome

Aughawillan St Patrick’s Church:

This Mass Saturday & Christmas Eve at 8:15 pm

Mass Intentions

Sat 18th 8:15 pm

Margaret Martin (Drumarigna) and deceased members of the Martin and Gallagher families

Fri 24th Dec 8:15 pm

Kathleen and Luke McGovern (Glebe) and all deceased family members

Hughie and Jim McGovern (Cully) and all deceased family members

St Stephens Day 11am No Intention

RECENT DEATH: We pray for Annie King, Kiltimagh, (mother of Margaret Murray Aughnasheelin) who’s funeral took place during the week

May she Rest in Peace

RECENT BAPTISM: We welcome Felim Michael Walsh to our Christian family, congratulations to his family on this joyous occasion

CHURCH NOTES

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.

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

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.

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.

POPE FRANCIS ALWAYS PROMOTES INTERGENERATIONAL DIALOGUE: he commissioned a book to share the insights of older people with young people today. The award-winning **Sharing the Wisdom of Time** pools the wisdom of elders with the passion and energy of youth, empowering our younger generations to step into the world of tomorrow with wisdom and understanding. **Netflix** has produced a four-part documentary, **Stories of a Generation**. It will be released on Christmas Day 2021. **Pat Coyle**, Head of Communications with the Irish Jesuits, accompanied **Paul Audia** around Ireland as he photographed and she interviewed the three Irish contributors to the book. **Archbishop Jude Thaddeus Okolo, Papal Nuncio to Ireland says:** 'Every story or expression has its own charm, its validity, its authenticity, its impact; every story is a life, is a testimony to the power of faith and the capacity of human resilience, and love'. Watch the trailer here: <https://youtu.be/MNfGamlwy3Y>

AUGHNASHEELIN PREPARATION OF CHURCH FOR CHRISTMAS and celebration of the Birth of Christ takes place at 7:30pm Tuesday 21st December. All help is welcome and appreciated.

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, Corraleeahan 11am, Ballinamore 12pm
December 26th (St Stephens Day) Corraleeahan 9.45am, Aughawillan 11am, Aughnasheelin 11am Ballinamore 12pm

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.

COMMUNITY NOTES

AFFORDABLE LIVE-IN HOMECARE provide live-in carers for the elderly in this area. If you need a live-in carer for your relative, please call Eileen or Tom today on **087 991 6791** or **087 744 0729**. Our website is www.alhomecare.ie

AUGHNASHEELIN COFFEE MORNING: North West Hospice Sligo, and Monica Ward would like to thank everyone who donated to the coffee morning held in Aughnasheelin Community Centre. €470 was raised.

ATHLETIC CLUB: Club training ended on Thursday evening last and, hopefully, will resume next month.

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 A/C No 9342-4, we appreciate your ongoing support.

CHRISTMAS LIGHTS: The town looks lovely and festive, because of the volunteers who spend long hours over the year working with the lights, and then on cold days and nights get them put up and taken down again safely. So, a **big thank you to you all**, you know who you are, everyone appreciates your time and effort. Please volunteer or to donate to the lights, by contacting Dawn Mc Keon or David McCabe. Have a **Happy and Safe Christmas**.

ISLAND THEATRE BALLINAMORE: presents Cathál Roches North North-West Quartet Fri 18th Dec @ 8 pm admission €5, with complimentary glass of mulled wine

CUAN CANCER SUPPORT CENTRE: is a social support and wellness group for all who has had a cancer diagnosis and their families. We offer a free and confidential counselling service to service users by appointment. Check out Cuan's Website (www.cuancavancancer.ie) and email cuan@cavan.ie for more info on services, or call the Centre Mon Wed & Fri. 10am-1pm & 2-4pm **086 4556632**

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.

POP-UP CHARITY SHOP: Quality Gifts (Belleek, Portmerion, Aynsley and some Glass), **Sat & Sun 18th and 19th December**, Lower Bridge Street, Carrick on Shannon. For further Information call Briege **087 0633533**

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.

MINOR CHAMPIONSHIP VICTORY: congratulations to our ladies under age team on their victory over Glencar Manor. This victory completes a clean sweep at Minor level along with the U14 & U16 wins. Players and management are to be applauded for the high level of skill and quality shown throughout the campaign. A big well done to all

REFLECTION

The fourth candle of Advent is called the "**Angel Candle**" and symbolizes peace. This name comes from the fact that the angels announced that Jesus came to bring peace ([Luke 2:14](#)). This week we are reminded that Jesus came to bring peace to our hearts and to our world!

