

BALLINAMORE & DRUMREILLY LOWER PARISH NEWSLETTER

20th November 2022

Feast of Christ the King

34th Sunday OT

*Feast Days: 21st Nov Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, 22nd St Cecilia,
23rd St Columban, Ss' Andrew Dong-Lac & Companions, 25th St Colman*

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Join us live, at churchtv.ie Select Leitrim, then Aughnasheelin, Ballinamore or Corraleehan Church

B'more St. Patrick's Church:

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

Sat 19th Nov 11 am Anniversary Mass for James Kearns (Drumcoura), and also his deceased brothers.

Sun 20th Nov 11 am Ann McCaffrey **1st Anniversary**

Wed 23rd Nov 7 pm Remembrance Mass for deceased from Ballinamore Nursing Unit

Sat 26th Nov 11 am Francie and Bridgie Reynolds (Edentenny)

Sun 27th Nov 11 am Hughie & Helen Dooner (High Street), John & Maureen O'Rourke, their sons Killian, Sean and Jerome, and also Micheál Jordan.

Eucharist Ministers:

20th Nov Evelyn McHugh, Marion Sharpley, & PJ McLoughlin **27th Nov** Deirdre Harvey & Pdraig McAodh **4th Dec** Philomena Early, Mary McWeeney, & Aileen Wisely

Ministers of the Word:

20th Nov Niamh Griffin **27th Nov** Kay Maguire **4th Dec** Gerry Darcy

Door Collectors:

20th Nov Seamus Early, Michael Fanning, & Camillus Martin **27th-4th Dec Group 9**

Aughnasheelin, St. Mary's Church:

Fri 7pm, & Sat 8 pm

Mass Intentions

Fri 18th Nov 8 pm Mass of Consolation for bereaved families of the recently deceased.

Fri 25th Nov 7 pm Pat and Sis Lee (Croghan & Ballinameen) and deceased members of the Lee and Sharkey Families.

Sat 26th Nov 8 pm Nora Flynn (Corrabeegher) **1st Anniversary**

Annie and Jim Gallagher, and their children Sean and Josie (Drumrackan)

Packie and Lucy Gallagher (Knockacullion)

Eucharist Ministers:

19th & 26th Mary Costello & Sheila O'Dowd

Eucharistic Adoration

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

Corraleehan St. Brigid's Church:

Mass Wed 9:30, Sun 9:45 am

Mass Intentions

Sun 20th Nov 9:45 am Charlie, Babbie, Mary, Maretta & Tony Mc Tague, also Carmel, Pat, Patrick, Karmel-Marie and Nicole Walsh (Drumcroman and Manchester).

Sun 27th Nov 9:45am People of the Parish

Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesday 10 am to 8 pm, All Welcome

Aughawillan St Patrick's Church:

Sat 6:30 pm

Mass Intentions

Sat 19th Nov 6:30 pm Noel McGovern (Boeshill) and all deceased family members

Sat 26th Nov 6.30 pm the Faithful Departed

Covid-19 is still with us please wear face masks, and sanitise hands on entering & exiting the church

RECENT DEATHS: We pray for all the soul of Kathleen Fitzgerald (New Hampshire, NY) niece of Bridie and Michael Horan. And also all the Faithful Departed. **May they Rest in Peace**

RECENT BAPTISM: We welcome into the Christian community Dáithí Louis Quinn who was baptised last Saturday. Congratulations to his parents and family.

RECENT WEDDING: Congratulations to Colleen Beirne and Kevin Mc Adam who were recently united in the sacrament of marriage. Wishing them a lifetime of good health and happiness.

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

BALLINAMORE PRAYER GROUP- LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINARS 2022: until 29th Nov in the Parish Office

Ballinamore via Zoom commencing at 7:15pm on Tuesday nights. Come along and invite your friends.

AN EVENING OF PRAYER: for the faithful departed and for family and personal healing with Fr John Walsh (Limerick) in **St Brigid's Church, Killygarry, Mon Nov 21st Confessions and prayers from 6:45pm with Holy Mass at 7:30pm.** Water, Salt and Oil will be blessed and the evening will end with the laying on of hands and benediction.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2023: Aughawillan NS: Sunday 30th April, St. Marys Aughnasheelin: Sunday 7th May, agus Scoil Chlann Naofa: Saturday 27th May

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION: St Patricks Church Ballinamore, Sat 13th May23, 3 pm, celebrant Bishop Hayes.

ENDURING CERTIFICATES: we ask that all who received CHY3 Enduring Certificates with your annual statements **(who donate a minimum of €250 annually to the Parish in Dues and Weekly offerings, and who have paid income tax, both PAYE and or Self Assessed)** to fill the form completely and return them to the Parish Office. On completion of the form, the Parish can then maximise your generous and much appreciated donations.

THE REMEMBRANCE TREE: a way of remembering deceased loved ones, you are asked to write names of your loved ones on a label and put it on the remembrance tree in Ballinamore Church. Please sit and pray for a while.

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY: The Parish Pastoral Council, Carol Service in St Patricks Church, 14th December.

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 Ballinamore Catholic Church 2 AC

OLD SEASON / NEW SEASON: Today the Feast of Christ the King is the last Sunday of this Liturgical year. How did the carpenter from Nazareth come to be regarded as a king? We celebrate Christ as a crucified King. In his kingdom he reconciled all things to himself and through himself. His kingdom is an eternal and universal kingdom, a kingdom of life, holiness, grace, justice, love and peace. This feast invites us to accept Jesus as Lord of our Lives. Next Sunday a new season of Advent begins as we prepare for Christmas!

A THANKSGIVING MASS FOR THE RENOVATION OF THE CATHEDRAL OF ST. PATRICK AND ST. FELIM:

November 27th at 3pm. Members of the Pastoral Council and the wider congregation are invited to attend this Mass. Please inform the Parish Office if you wish to attend, by the 22nd Nov as numbers are required for refreshments

CAPUCHIN MISSIONS TO OUGHTERAGH PARISH. Acknowledgement and Sincere thanks for your contributions to the Capuchin Missions since 25th June, of €846.08 with every good wish and Blessings, Br. Joe Gallagher. Your generosity to our missions in Zambia and South Africa is of immense value to the Christian communities we serve. Padre Pio calendars for 2023 will be available in the church over the Christmas period. Thanks, and God Blessings to you all. (All donations to the St. Anthony's collection box in the church porch go to the Capuchin Missions.)

KILMORE YOUTH MINISTRY - CHRISTMAS ESSAY COMPETITION FOR 6TH CLASS STUDENTS: The essay title is "Why was the first Christmas so important" and it should be a maximum of 500 words. First prize is family tickets to Tayto Park. The closing date is Friday 9th December and the winner contacted by the 12th December. Please include school address and contact number when sending in the essay. This is open to any 6th Class student from Kilmore Diocese. If you have any questions contact Francis Keane on **049 437 5004**

COMMUNITY NOTES

ATHLETIC CLUB Local cross country season has completed, Club training will take a short break. Best of luck to club member Sean Flynn representing Connacht in the All Ireland U14 Championships in Donegal this Sunday.

AUGHNASHEELIN NS-ST MARY'S 50 YEAR REUNION: Are looking for photos for inclusion in a commemorative book to mark the school's history over the last 50 years. Photos of past pupils, their families, events at the school etc are all welcome. Items can be left into the school or emailed aughnasheelin50years@gmail.com. Many Thanks.

SOCIAL DANCE AUGHNASHEELIN COMMUNITY CENTRE: Fri 18th Nov Pat McKenna and Glenshane Country

SOCIAL DANCING CASTLEMANOR COMMUNITY CENTRE: Mon 12-2pm Great exercise & great fun.

BADMINTON: is back Tuesdays at 9 pm. Ballinamore Sports Complex. All standards welcome. €3 per person.

BALLINAMORE MUSICAL SOCIETY REHEARSALS: 8pm-10pm, to continue each Tuesday and Thursday, in the old junior school on the convent road (N41 KD98). We need new members and we would love to see you there!

BALLINAMORE TODDLER GROUP: Thurs 10am-11.30 am in the Island Theatre. All caring for babies/toddlers welcome. €2 per child. Join us for a cuppa and a chat. For more info **071 96 31253** or text/WhatsApp **086 6035977**.

BALLINAMORE LIBRARY/RHYME TIME: for Toddlers & Accompanying Adults in the Library, Wednesdays at **11am**.

BALLINAMORE OUTREACH: Thurs. 11.30-12 pm in the Island Theatre Ballinamore offering support with housing, social welfare, education & training, senior alert forms, counselling services, activities for children, and support with parenting, and other personal development. Telephone **071 96 31253** or text/WhatsApp **086 6035977**.

BALLINAMORE PARKRUN: from the Scouts Den at 9.30 am on Saturday, 5 km run or walk to Corgar and back. It is free to participants, and supervised by Volunteers. Information at: ballinamoregreenway@parkrun.com

BALLINAMORE WRITERS GROUP: Monday mornings at 10.00am in the Library (please knock). Newbies welcome.

📢 BREAKING NEWS FROM THE NORTH POLE 📢: We have been chatting with Santa and he will be visiting Ballinamore on Sat. December 10th Santa and the Elves are very busy but will keep in touch. Watch this space.

CHRISTMAS LIGHTS UPDATE 🎄 John Creamer has won the town a 30ft, fully decorated Christmas tree from 7UP & RTÉ 2fm! Thanks so much John! 🎄 Let's kick off the festive season next Thursday 24th Nov 6pm at the courthouse!

There will be a 7up DJ & 7up brand giving away 7up goodies! The tree will be lit at 7pm sharp! **PLEASE NOTE:** This is a separate event from the Ballinamore Christmas Lights launch on the 10th Santa will NOT be here for this event.

PEACEPLUS CONSULTATION MEETING: Ballinamore Library at 7pm on Mon 21st Nov. Staff are available for meetings with smaller groups on a one-on-one bases throughout the day where group's ideas and needs can be discussed. To book 1 hour slots (10am to 4pm), contact Marion on **086 602 7232** or mmcgovern@leitrimcoco.ie

ISLAND THEATRE BALLINAMORE CHRISTMAS CRAFT FAIR: takes place on Sat, Dec 3rd 10am - 5pm. Bookings for a stall on the day can be made with Clare on **087 903 0765** or email hello@islandtheatre.ie for more information.

RSS RECRUITMENT COUNTY WIDE: varied P/T work in your local community, if you are interested or have questions regarding whether you qualify, please contact **James Brogan RSS Supervisor 086 8521785**

SEAN O HESLINS DRAW: Tickets available online @club force, or cash Phillip Farrelly, Murphy's Store & Priors Bar.

BALLINAMORE SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL: 3rd & 4th December, please look out for our donation boxes, 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.

REFLECTION

Along the road of suffering,
you found a little lane;
that took you up to Heaven,
and ended all your pain.

You may not be here with us,
we may be worlds apart;
but you are always in our prayers,
And forever in our hearts.