

**BALLINAMORE & DRUMREILLY LOWER PARISH NEWSLETTER**

21<sup>st</sup> April 2024 *Good Shepherd Sunday–Day of Prayer for Vocations 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday Easter*  
*Feast Days: 23<sup>rd</sup> April St George 25<sup>th</sup> St Mark & World Malaria*  
*Day 26<sup>th</sup> April Our Lady of Good Counsel*

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**Ballinamore Church: St Patricks Church**

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

Sat 20<sup>th</sup> April 11 am Packie & Mary Duignan (Knockanroe)

Sun 21<sup>st</sup> April 11 am Sonny and Rita McBrien (Cornawall)

6-7pm Holy Hour for Vocations

Wed 24<sup>th</sup> April 7 pm Cathal Mawn (Glenfarne and Boston)

Sun 28<sup>th</sup> April 11 am William Winters (Willowfield Road)

Tessie and Francie Flynn (Kiltywooden) and their daughter Theresa O'Dowd

Kathleen Darcy (High Street) **1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary**

**Eucharistic Adoration:**

**Fridays 9.30am –10.30am**

**Eucharist Ministers:** 21<sup>st</sup> April Alice Costello, Raymond McHugh & Marcella McKiernan 28<sup>th</sup> April Evelyn McHugh, Marian Sharpley & Noel Dolan

**Ministers of the Word:** 21<sup>st</sup> April Mary Conlon 28<sup>th</sup> April Mary McKiernan 5<sup>th</sup> May Micheal Dolan 12<sup>th</sup> May Marie Sweeney 19<sup>th</sup> May Thomas Kelly & Dessie Wisley

**Door Collectors:** 21<sup>st</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> Tommy McWeeney, Michael Hanly and Joe Murphy 5<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> May Liam McGovern

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

**Aughnasheelin, St. Mary's Church:**

**Fri 7pm & Sat 8:15 pm**

**Mass Intentions**

Fri 19<sup>th</sup> April 7pm Michael and Kathleen Bohan (Kiltybarden) and all deceased members of the Gralton and Bohan families.

Joe and Imelda Lynch (Aughnasheelin) and all deceased family members

Sat 20<sup>th</sup> April 8:15 pm Annie and Frankie Gallagher (Cornabroher)

Charlie Eagan (Aughlin) and all deceased members of his family.

Fr1 26<sup>th</sup> April 7 pm Tom & Mary Prior (Stralongford) their daughter Mary Varilly and all deceased family members

Paddy and Maura Fee (Lisculfee) and all deceased family members

Sat 27<sup>th</sup> April 8:15 pm Jim and Mary Earley (Unshinagh) and all deceased Earley and McCabe family members

Sun 28<sup>th</sup> April 12 pm **First Holy Communion**

**Eucharist Ministers:** 20<sup>th</sup> April Mary Rooney & Breda Mulvanerty 27<sup>th</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> May Caroline Sammon & Kerry Meehan

**Corraleehan St. Brigid's Church:**

**Wed 9:30 am & Sat 7pm**

**Mass Intentions**

Sat 20<sup>th</sup> April 7 pm No intention

Sat 27<sup>th</sup> April 7 pm No Intention

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

**Aughawillan St Patrick's Church:**

**Sun 9:45 am**

**Mass Intentions**

Sun 21<sup>st</sup> April 9:45am Jack and Christina Fox and all deceased family members

Sun 28<sup>th</sup> April 9:45am no intention

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

**RECENT DEATH:** Please pray for the soul of Mary McGrath (Drumlonan) and all the faithful departed

**May they Rest in Peace**

**RECENT BAPTISM:** We welcome Patrick McCauley into our Christian family, and congratulate his family on this joyous occasion.

**MINISTERIES:** Please note that while we appreciate greatly the many volunteers who give of their time in providing an essential service in our churches, it is important that they are present at their allocated times, if unavailable please contact another minister to deputise for your absence.

**DATES FOR CEMETERY SUNDAY:** Corraleehan Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> July at Mass at 12 noon, Aughnasheelin Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> August Mass at 12 noon, Aughawillan 11<sup>th</sup> August Mass at 9:45 am and Ballinamore 18<sup>th</sup> August at 1pm

**HEALING RETREAT:** with Eddie Stones, Great Northern Hotel, 26<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> of April info **087 784 7304/ 086 315 2460**

**SISTER of MERCY, MARY OKUMU**, is Chief Executive of Our Lady of Lourdes Hospital in Mutomo in Kenya. The hospital serves 100,000 people in the area, 50% of the population are under 15. Donations are urgently needed as patients can't pay for health care. A meeting is organised in the Drumlane Room, at the Pastoral Centre, Co Cavan on Sat 27<sup>th</sup> April at 5 pm. Please check video & link to photos, [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=\\_1AH0DyEpic](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_1AH0DyEpic) or <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1y4ZcxWW6BH4GWLdNnb29gqFj2SjB2-Mv/view?usp=sharing> you can also donate at <https://www.idonate.ie/CavanFamineAidsAppeal>

## **AUGHAWILLAN PARISH EVENT:**

The Sweet Spirit Country Gospel Singers will perform some great songs in Aughawillan Church (N41CX27) on Friday evening 26<sup>th</sup> at April 8pm. A great night is assured with the performance of some favourites such as 'Hard times come again no more' 'O' Happy Day', 'Lean on me' 'I will follow him' 'Jerusalem', 'Higher & Higher', and many more well-known pieces. Admission €10 for a great night's entertainment.

**VOCATIONS SUNDAY - GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY:** So let us continue to pray to the Lord to send labourers into his harvest and that those whom he is calling will hear his voice and "Take the Risk for Christ. A holy hour for vocations will be held in St Patricks Church Ballinamore this afternoon from 6-7pm

**INVITATION TO THE MINISTRY OF PERMANENT DIACONATE:** Applications are invited from men who are willing to consider the ministry of Permanent Diaconate in Kilmore Diocese. Further information is available from Brochures in the Church Porches/Notice Boards, or by contacting Fr Paul Prior, Director of the Permanent Diaconate, Kilmore Diocesan Office, Bishops House, Cullies, Cavan. Telephone **049 4331496**. Email: [diaconate@kilmorediocese.ie](mailto:diaconate@kilmorediocese.ie)

## **COMMUNITY NOTES**

**ATHLETIC CLUB:** Training continues Tues & Thurs 7 pm in St Felim's, with all events required for competition covered each evening. New members can enrol before any training session.

**AUGHNASHEELIN MUSIC & ART PROGRAMME - CRINNIU NA nÓG:** begins with an introduction evening (music classes) on Tues 23<sup>rd</sup> April at 6pm in the Community Centre. This music programme provides young people aged 8 - 18, with the chance to learn various instruments over a 6 weeks. Classes are free and there is also an opportunity to purchase an instrument for 50% of the cost through music generation when the classes are over. It's a wonderful opportunity for young people in our area. The art side of the programme with Leitrim Arts School will be 3 Sundays in May. Questions and Bookings to Shirley at **086 608 3516**. Numbers will be limited so get in early.

**THANKS TO THE AMAZING CHILDREN OF St MARY'S NS:** for all of their good wishes on my recent retirement. A special thanks to Fr Seán, and my colleagues who ensured that my departure from St Mary's was lovely occasion. Thank you all for your kindness and support. Grateful thanks to the BOM and Parents Association, and to all past parents for your kindness and friendship over the years. Go raibh mile maith agaibh. Geraldine Flynn.

**Ciorcal na mBan Next meeting** takes place this Mon 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7.30pm. Upcoming events are Community Coffee morning on Sat 27<sup>th</sup> April, trip to Knockvicar organic centre and Ardcarne Garden Centre on Sat 4<sup>th</sup> May, Bloom in the Phoenix Park on Thurs 30<sup>th</sup> May. Cards training, Couch to 5k and Strength Training coming up, we are keeping busy.

**AUGHNASHEELIN BOOK CLUB:** next meeting take place on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> April at 8pm in the Community Centre.

**PARENT AND TODDLER GROUP:** Kids Sensory workshop on Sat 11<sup>th</sup> May, 10.30am in Aughnasheelin Community Centre. Suitable for children 6 Mnts to 4 Yrs. To book contact Louise **086 192 5895**

**QQI LEVEL 5 COMPUTER COURSE – STARTING SEPTEMBER 2024:** Mohill Computer full - time QQI Level 5 computer programme. (390 CAO points). The course covers Office 365 Applications, Sage Payroll & Bookkeeping, Digital Marketing, CV Preparation and Interview Skills. Call **071 9632024** /email [margaret@mct.ie](mailto:margaret@mct.ie) for information.

**THE LEITRIM FURTHER EDUCATION AND TRAINING CENTRE:** Open Event on Tues May 14<sup>th</sup> 5pm - 7pm and Wed May 15<sup>th</sup>, 10am - 1pm in the Market Yard, Ck on Shannon. Come along to see our centre and our free, P/T courses. Meet the tutors and hear from past students. Call **071 9621371 / 086 7743329** or [martinaosullivan@msletb.ie](mailto:martinaosullivan@msletb.ie)

**DIGITAL SKILLS SUPPORT CLASSES:** Ballinamore Library provides one-to-one digital support to adults using their own devices such as iPads, smartphones, tablets, and laptops. This service is available free and the purpose of the project is to assist people to overcome issues they are facing using digital technology class will run on a Fri. 10am-5pm. To obtain more information phone us **071 964 5566** or email [ballinamorelibrary@leitrimcoco.ie](mailto:ballinamorelibrary@leitrimcoco.ie) to book a class.

**Cruinniú na nÓg:** To Celebrate Cruinniú Na nÓg Ballinamore Library, will be running an 8-week Rap Workshop for children aged 10 upwards, this event will be hosted by Max Lyrical Rap. For more information phone us **071 96 45566** email us on [ballinamorelibrary@leitrimcoco.ie](mailto:ballinamorelibrary@leitrimcoco.ie) Wed. 1<sup>st</sup> May at 5pm-6.30pm in Ballinamore Library

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

**BALLINAMORE BADMINTON CLUB:** Tues at 8pm Ballinamore Sports Complex. €3 per night, PAYG. All welcome.

**EYE HEALTH AWARENESS WEEK:** We are offering complimentary Eye health screening in April. In Ballinamore (Weds) & Manorhamilton (Thurs). Booking vital call Éilís **0876188763** or email [advancedeyecare2015@gmail.com](mailto:advancedeyecare2015@gmail.com)

**TIN WHISTLE LESSONS** resume on Fridays at 7pm for beginners and intermediate/advanced children in Sean O Heslins GAA clubroom, Ballinamore. Newcomers welcome. For more information contact **083 4835881**.

**ISLAND THEATRE - UPCOMING EVENTS:** **Mary Coughlan, Ultan Conlon & Band** – Sat 27<sup>th</sup> April 8pm (doors 7pm) Booking **071 964 4513** [www.islandtheatre.ie](http://www.islandtheatre.ie) **SING TOGETHER at the ISLAND THEATRE** Monthly drop-ins **11am-12.30pm 20<sup>th</sup> April 2024**. Call Sarah for more information **087 762 0523** / [sarah@sarahgarden.ie](mailto:sarah@sarahgarden.ie). All Welcome.

**DARKNESS INTO LIGHT:** Join this community event hosted by Ballinamore Community School, taking place on 11<sup>th</sup> May @ 4am. Register for the event at <https://www.darknessintolight.ie> and join us with Pieta and Electric Ireland at sunrise for Darkness into Light. We need volunteers to act as stewards, if you can help call Teresa at **071 964 4049**.

**SEAN O'HESLINS** contact Jenny McTague **087 295 8837** with queries about joining underage football.

**MONTHLY DRAW:** Tickets available for the April draw €10, tickets on sale in Smyth's Siopa Ól, Philip Murphy's, Alan Banks in Fresh Today, Priors Bar, and Philip Farrelly, you can purchase by text & Revolut to Michael **086 390 6791**

## **REFLECTION**

We pray for our young people, especially those facing examinations and making lifetime choices at this time.  
May their decisions be blessed with wisdom and a sense of commitment and service to others  
Especially those called to priesthood and religious life.

**BURREN OUTDOOR RETREAT, CO CLARE: SATURDAY 4<sup>th</sup> - MONDAY 6<sup>th</sup> MAY:** Would you like to come on a guided journey through the Burren with its limestone pavements, rare flora and ancient sacred sites? Let the beauty of the amazing Burren landscape renew your body & soul. Info from: Mary **087 970 130**. Booking Noirin **087 4479115**

**HOME ALONE - AWAY TOGETHER:** Solo living - Community travel - Shared Friendships - Springtime Tours from Cavan. Kilkenny Spring tour: 16<sup>th</sup> - 17<sup>th</sup> May 2024. Experience apple blossom landscapes - organic orchards - cider tasting - regenerative farming. (Hotel B&B/dinner - coach travel - visits - wine & dine in Kilkenny city) led by experienced Tour Manager. All ages welcome. Bookings: **087 061 7300** or [homealoneawaytogether@gmail.com](mailto:homealoneawaytogether@gmail.com)

**GENTLE EXERCISE CLASS:** movement to music & stretching suitable for older adults. Thurs 10am in Ballinamore Old Primary School (beside the old convent, pedestrian crossing & new national school). All welcome.

**DANCE FIT & TONING CLASS:** Mondays at 8pm in Ballinamore Community Hall, and Wed. 6.30pm in Ballinamore Old Primary School, fun exercise class with Michelle Fanning. For further information contact **087 939 0980**.

**CORLOUGH LINE DANCING:** Tuesdays in Corlough Community Centre at 8pm, admission €7 all welcome.

**TEMPLEPORT SOCIAL SERVICES:** A vacancy has arisen for a person to cook at our weekly Day Centre (Weds), commencing September 2024. Please contact Kathleen **087 792 1683** or Anne **087 285 7471** by Friday, April 26<sup>th</sup>.

**CALLING ALL 18-30 YEAR OLDS!** Do you want to explore your faith with other young people in a beautiful and reflective location? Join us for a Retreat for Young Adults at Lough Derg, Pettigo County Donegal on Sat 27<sup>th</sup> April from 10am to 4pm. Refreshments and Lunch provided. This Retreat is organised by The Knights of St Columbanus and is free of charge. Register at [tiny.cc/loughderg](http://tiny.cc/loughderg) or Email [info@knightsofstcolumbanusomagh.co.uk](mailto:info@knightsofstcolumbanusomagh.co.uk)

**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](mailto:ballinamore@kilmorediocese.ie) or phone **071 964 4039**

**KILMORE DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES - 2024** led by Bishop Martin Hayes. 31<sup>st</sup> May 2024 for five nights. Direct flight from Knock (flight from Dublin on 30<sup>th</sup> May 2024 also available). For all enquiries and bookings please contact: Cavan Travel, 15 Main Street Cavan Tel: **049 4361222** Email: [info@cavantravel.com](mailto:info@cavantravel.com). For Assisted Pilgrims staying at the Accueil, please apply to Fr. Tom Mannion PP call **087 9170879**. Limited places available. Transition Year students from Lough Allen College, Drumkeeran, are assisting with the pilgrimage, this year.



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**MEDJUGORJE IRISH CENTRE PILGRIMAGES APRIL - OCT 2024:** 7 Nights B&B from €273 per person sharing. Airport transfer available on request. Contact us for details Tel. **01 4434510** Medjugorje: **00387 36 651 518** Ireland: **00353 1 443 4510** or email: [reservations@med-irishcentre.com](mailto:reservations@med-irishcentre.com) and Website: [www.med-irishcentre.com](http://www.med-irishcentre.com)

**SANTIAGO DE COMPOSTELA CAMINO 2024:** Join Focus Ireland 'In the Footsteps of St James' on a fully guided walk from Sarria to Santiago de Compostela along the Camino de Frances to help families facing homelessness. Dates 27<sup>th</sup> May – 3<sup>rd</sup> June. Contact Monica on **087 954 7007** or email [events@focusireland.ie](mailto:events@focusireland.ie) for details

**FAMILY CARERS IRELAND:** Are you caring for a loved one at home with additional needs? A spouse, partner, child, close relative or neighbour? Then you are a family carer! Become a member of Family Carers Ireland, the national charity supporting Ireland's 500,000+ family carers nationwide. Contact **057 93 70221** and hear how we can support you or for more info visit. [www.familycarers.ie](http://www.familycarers.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. You don't have to be addicted to suffer from addiction! **M-PACT** supports the whole family, helping to improve relationships, communication and recovery. If you would like further information Please contact **071 9150578** or **085 875 9319** or email [sligoleitrim@alcoholforum.com](mailto:sligoleitrim@alcoholforum.com)

**GENTLE REMINDER:** to update your church contributions for 2024. Offertory contributions for the upkeep of your church are made payable to the local church. All Dues contributions towards salaries for priests are made payable to Ballinamore Catholic Church No.2 ACC

**REMAINING DATES DIOCESE OF KILMORE PRE-MARRIAGE COURSE 2024:** Fri 11<sup>th</sup> Oct. 7.30pm – 10 pm & Sat 12<sup>th</sup> Oct. 10 am – 5 pm \*It is planned that the above courses will take place Face to Face. Courses will take place in the Pastoral Centre, Cullies, Cavan, H12 E5 C7. To book a course please log on to: [www.accord.ie](http://www.accord.ie)

**TOTUS TUUS MAGAZINE** is a Catholic magazine. full of articles from Irish priests and laity. which aims to highlight the beauty and joy of our faith. It is now in its 7<sup>th</sup> year and is run by donations. If you haven't come across Totus Tuus Magazine and would like a free copy please contact Fiona Kiely on **086 876 0058**.

**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](mailto:recruitment-admin.sligo@homeinstead.ie).for more information.

**ALONE IS LOOKING FOR VISITATION VOLUNTEERS:** in your area to make befriending visits to older people looking for extra social contact for 1 hr per week. **\*Volunteers needed\*** would you provide companionship visit or make friendly calls to Older People once a week for an hour or two? ALONE are seeking volunteers in your area. Full training and support provided, if interested please sign up here: <https://alone.ie/volunteers/> for more information, contact Sinead on [Sinead.Flanagan@alone.ie](mailto:Sinead.Flanagan@alone.ie) on **086 192 1505** and leave a message with your name and contact number and I will phone you back.

**SENIORLINE:** a national telephone service for older people open every day 10am-10pm, Freephone **1800 80 45 91**. SeniorLine's older volunteers are trained to listen, to support, to discuss options and to other helpful services.

**ANAM CARA ARMAGH:** the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding a Parent Evening for bereaved parents on Wednesday 24th April at 7:15pm in the The Armagh City Hotel, Friary Rd, Armagh. This event is free and open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or whether their death was recent or not. We also offer an online support service. Contact us on [info@anamcara.ie](mailto:info@anamcara.ie) or **028 95213120** for any queries.

## KNIGHTS OF ST COLUMBANUS LOUGH DERG RETREAT FOR YOUNG ADULTS

(18 to 30 year olds)

**SATURDAY 27 APRIL 2024  
10AM-4PM**

*With guest speakers, inspirational talks, reflective time and concluding with the celebration of Mass.*



**EVENT FREE OF CHARGE**

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