

BALLINAMORE & DRUMREILLY LOWER PARISH NEWSLETTER

26th November 2023 *Our Lord Christ King of the Universe* Last Sunday in OT
Feast Days: 27th St Fergal, & Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal, 29th Day of Solidarity with
the Palestinian People, 30th Nov St Andrew, Apostle 1st Dec St Charles De Faulcauld & UN
World AIDS Day, 2nd Dec UN Day for the Abolition of Slavery

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

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

Sat 25th Nov 11 am Faithful Departed

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

Patrick Rehill (Drumcroman) 2nd Anniversary

Sun 3rd Dec 11 am Joe Kellegher (Cleenaghoo) and all deceased family members

Micheal and Margaret Farrelly (Ardrum) and all deceased family members.

Eucharistic Adoration Fridays 9.30am –10. 30am

Eucharist Ministers: 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 10th Dec Thomas Kelly

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

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

Aghnasheelin, St. Mary's Church:

Thurs 30th 7 pm, Fri 24th 8pm & Sat 8:15

Mass Intentions

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

Thurs 30th Nov 7 pm Enrolment Mass for Confirmation

Fri 1st Dec 7 pm Jim Mulvey Months Mind

Mary Boyle (Tullybawn)

Sat 2nd Dec 8:15pm Laurence Moran, (Derrinkehir) Josephine Brogan and deceased members of the Moran and Duignan families (Drumkeen).

Tommy & Bernadette Harvey (Aughlin) & deceased members of the Harvey & Moran families.

Margaret and Frank Boyle (Knockacullion) their son Arthur Boyle, granddaughters Gráine

Reynolds and Roisin Welsh. John Boyle, Peter and Brigid McGrail and all deceased McGrail

family members.

Eucharist Ministers: 25th & 2ndDec Mary Rooney & Breda Mulvanerty 9th & 16th Dec Caroline Sammon & Kerry

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

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Corraleehan St. Brigid's Church:

Wed 9:30 am & Sun 9:45 am

Mass Intentions

Sun 26th Nov 9:45 am

Faithful Departed

Wed 29th Nov 9:30 am

Faithful Departed

Sun 3rd Dec 9:45 am

Tommy Flynn (Kiltyhugh)

Eucharistic Adoration

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

Aughawillan St Patrick's Church:

Sat 7pm

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

RECENT DEATHS: Please pray for Tony Delaney, husband of Betty Fox and Ray Duggan, husband of Marie O'Rourke formally Corraleehan, and all the souls of the Faithful departed.

May They Rest in Peace

RECENT BAPTISM: We welcome Gearóid Tomás Flynn and Grace Ann Moran into our Christian family, and we congratulate their families on this joyous occasion.

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 this weekend 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.

Please note the Sick and Housebound will not be visited this week, instead visitation will take place on the 13th and 14th of December.



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.

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**.

THANKS: to all who kindly volunteered as drivers for Fr.Cliff and Fr.Moses. Our gratitude to Fr.Cliff for his ministry in our parish for the last number of months. He will come back to visit us from time to time. Fr.Moses has his own wheels now so he is able to get around by himself. Fr.Moses resides in Church St. (the same house where Fr.Johnnie lived in)

COPIES OF THE ANNUAL END OF YEAR FINANCIAL STATEMENT 2022 for each church, is on display in each Church porch, copies are also available to take home with you.

COMMUNITY NOTES

ABBEY ROVERS UNDERAGE SOCCER CLUB: Thanks all Ballinamore parishioners who gave so generously at our church gate collection. Our club has grown significantly, and is fielding 16 teams, with 4 girls and 12 boys' teams competing in the Longford Leitrim league from ages U8 - U16. The €442.07 raised will be used to buy equipment for our players who come from all across Ballinamore and surrounding areas. We are truly grateful for your generosity.

ATHLETIC CLUB: Training at the Sports Hall and St Felim's on Tues & Thurs 7pm, new members welcome. Along with general fitness participants prepare for the Leitrim and Connacht Indoor Championships, Primary School Sports Hall Athletics and Post Primary Cross Country after Christmas

IDEAL CHRISTMAS GIFT! The St Marys National School 50 Year Reunion Book, for all family and friends local and global. Contact Geraldine on **086 337 6411** or call into the school.

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

ANNUAL SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL CHURCHGATE COLLECTION: Takes place 2nd & 3rd of December at all local Churches, please look out for our donation boxes, or donations can be made directly to the **SVP account** in the **Ballinamore Credit Union, IBAN: IE49BLRU99224009342021 and BIC: BLRUIE21**, or manually in the Credit Union to Acc No 9320380, we really appreciate your ongoing support. Our Annual Food appeal will take place in Tesco and SuperValu, throughout December with donation boxes available in store, or donations can be made directly to the SVP account in Ballinamore Credit Union, as highlighted above. We really do appreciate your ongoing support.

REDUCE STRESS AND BUILD RESILIENCE hosted by Miffy Hoad. On Fri. 1st Dec. at 11am in Ballinamore library

SELF-CARE AT CHRISTMAS hosted by Louise Farry RPN (Registered Psychiatric Nurse) and Holistic Therapist, Date: Monday 4th Dec. at 11am, in Ballinamore Library & **AN HOUR FOR YOU** hosted by Louise Farry (Registered Psychiatric Nurse) and Holistic Therapist Date: Monday 11th Dec. at 11am in Ballinamore Library.

ART EXHIBITION: On Tuesday 28th Nov at 6pm the Ballinamore Art Group are holding an exhibition of their work in Ballinamore Library. Everybody is welcome to attend.

'SHOUT' Tish Dunleavy's 'Sweet Spirit Country Gospel Singers' perform in St Mary's Church of Ireland Mohill on Fri 1st Dec. at 8pm to support Sligo Hospital Oncology Unit Trust (SHOUT) and Brain Injury Unit Beaumont Hospital.

ISLAND THEATRE BALLINAMORE: GREATEST 80s 25th November and opening of the Crannog Room bar, **Christmas Fair** Sun 3rd Dec 10am-5pm with over 40 stalls offering gifts, crafts and food. **Gaslight - Breffni Players** Fri 8th Dec. 8pm Gaslight, by Patrick Hamilton, is a dark tale of a marriage based on deceit and trickery. **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**

HO HO HO! It's that time of year again. Santa will turn on the Christmas Lights in Ballinamore with the help of his elves on Sat. 2nd Dec 6.30pm. The big event will take place at 6:30 (a change of time due to our senior ladies semi all Ireland final game taking place in the park that day in town). Get your Christmas outfits ready. Santa and his elves will be in his grotto. There will be a €2 fee to visit the big man and the Venue will be confirmed on social media.

Please keep pets indoors that evening as we will have a small fireworks display.

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@coilchlannnaofa.com for the enrolment pack. Thank you

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 - Prayer to Mother Mary:

Mother Mary be my guide, blessed lady by my side, ever gentle, ever kind ease and sooth my troubled mind. If I fall as oft I may, bring me home from where I stray, pour your peace on those I love, bless them, and keep them from above. Be my hope, my joy, and my light hold me close from morn till night and when my time on earth is done
Lead Me to Your Precious Son. **Amen**

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](https://www.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**.

TEMPLEPORT DAY CENTRE: is back in the Templeport Community Centre Busses will go directly to Templeport, so this is a reminder to anyone who usually drives to come to the Templeport Community Centre 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 eve next class 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**

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 7th 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**.

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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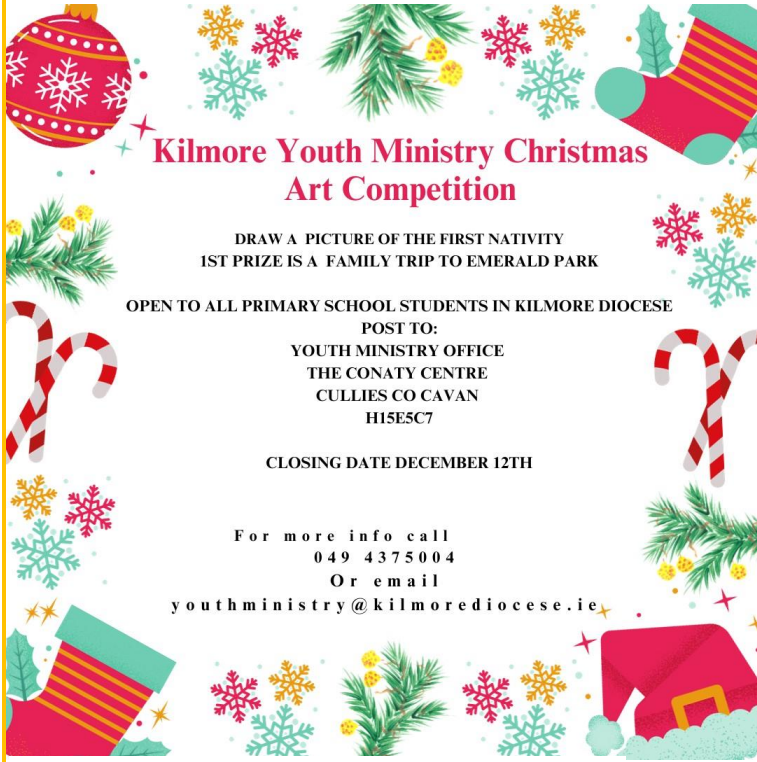
BOOKING ANNIVERSARIES MASSES: As you are aware we have shared mass intentions in our churches at the weekends. We try to limit the number of intentions to a maximum of three. To maintain this arrangement please book anniversary masses well in advance of your preferred time. Priests are allowed one mass 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**

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

[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.





Kilmore Youth Ministry Christmas Art Competition

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

OPEN TO ALL PRIMARY SCHOOL STUDENTS IN KILMORE DIOCESE

POST TO:
YOUTH MINISTRY OFFICE
THE CONATY CENTRE
CULLIES CO CAVAN
H15E5C7

CLOSING DATE DECEMBER 12TH

For more info call
049 4375004
Or email
youthministry@kilmorediocese.ie

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.

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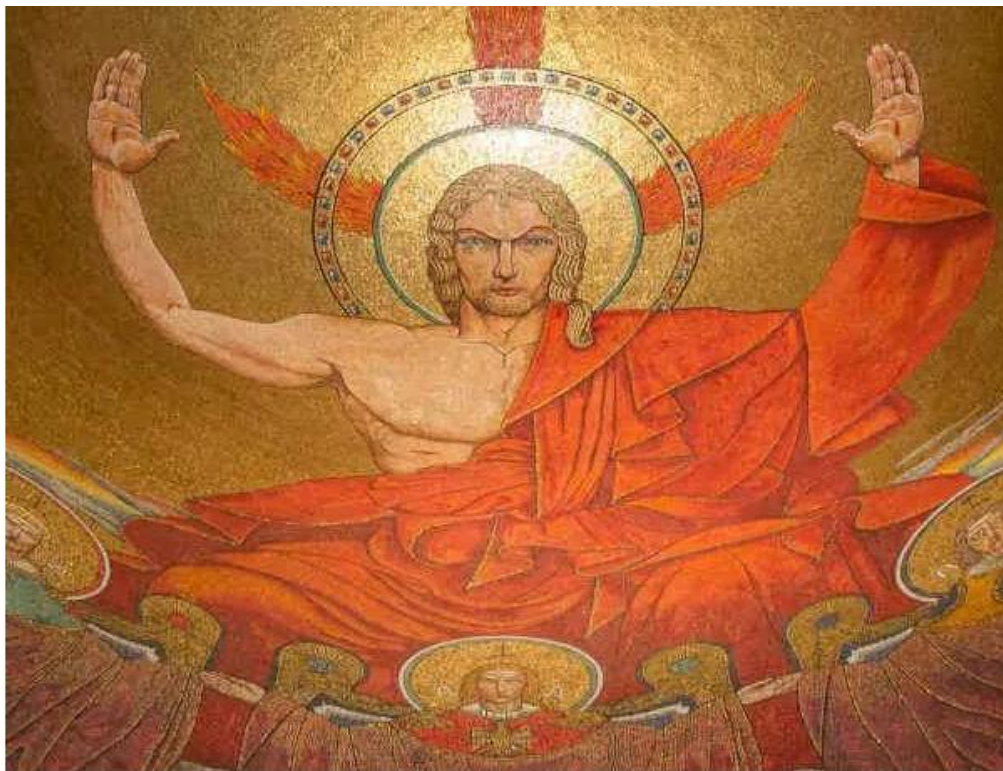
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Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe—Solemnity
Last Sunday in Ordinary Time