

BALLINAMORE & DRUMREILLY LOWER PARISH NEWSLETTER

28th July 2024 *World Day of Prayer for Grandparents & the Elderly* 17th Sunday in OT
Feast Days: 29th July Sts Martha, Mary & Lazarus 31st July St Ignatius of Loyola
1st August St Alphonsus Liguri

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Join us live, @ churchtv.ie Select Leitrim, then Aughawillan, Aughnasheelin, Ballinamore or Corraleehan

Ballinamore Church: St Patricks Church

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

Sat 27th July 11 am Bernadette Dolan 1st Anniversary

Fiona Duignan (Kiltymooden)

Sun 28th July 11 am Tommy McCormack (Spike) 5th Anniversary

Fri 2nd Aug 9 am Johnnie and Maura Beirne (Corrahole) and all deceased members of the Beirne and McGovern families

Sun 4th Aug 11 am Annie McPadden (Church Street) Months Mind

Padraic Gallagher (Church Street) Months Mind

Eucharistic Adoration: Fridays 9.30am –10.30am

Eucharist Ministers: 28th July Michael Duignan and Peggy Ferguson 4th Aug Thomas Kelly and Gerard Mc Cartin

11th Aug Patricia Griffin & James & James Og Maguire 18th Aug Máirín Martin & Liam McGovern

Ministers of the Word: 28th July Philomena Earley 4th August Patricia Griffin 11th Aug Ciara Creamer

Door Collectors: 28th July & 4th Aug John McWeeney, Michael Duignan & David Prior

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

Aughnasheelin, St. Mary's Church:

Fri 7pm (no 8:15 Mass on Sat) & Sun 12 noon

Mass Intentions

Fri 26th July 7 pm Kathleen & Sonnie Keaney (Miskawn) and deceased members of the Gildea & Keaney family

Sat 27th July 8:15 pm Micheal Prior (Gubnaveigh) his parents Celia & Micheal Prior & all deceased family members

Fri 2nd August 7 pm Molly Mulvey (Foxwood) her sisters Betty & Peggy and brother Paul who have anniversaries at this time

Sun 4th Aug 12 noon Cemetery Sunday

Eucharist Ministers: 27th Seamus Prior & Margaret McTeigue 4th&10thAug Sharon O'Dowd & Brendan Sammon

Ministers of the Word: Liam Prior and John Maguire **Door Collectors:** Monica Ward, Mary Bohan & J P Doherty

Corraleehan St. Brigid's Church:

no Sat eve Mss this week Wed 9:30 am & Sat 7pm

Mass Intentions

Sun 12 noon

Cemetery Sunday

Sat 3rd August No Intention

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

July-Eucharist Ministers: Carol McNiff and Bernie Dolan

Altar Society: Kathleen & Phylis McTague

Ministers of the Word: Clair McNiff and Lawrence Fee

Door Collectors: Brian Prior and Paddy Dolan

Aughawillan St Patrick's Church:

Sun 9:45 am

Mass Intentions

Sun 28th July 9:45am

John Stretton (Boeshill) and deceased family members

Sun 4th Aug 9:45 am

Annie Foster (Garadice)

July-Eucharist Ministers: Breege McCauley & Pat Stringer **Altar Society:** Breege McCauley & Marie Quinn

Ministers of the Word: Michelle Dolan and Volunteer

Door Collectors: Padraig McGovern and Des Quinn

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

RECENT DEATHS: please pray for the souls of Tess Gallagher (Church St) and Mary Ann Brennan (née Darcy) Corlough, whose funerals took place during the week, also Des O'Rourke (Corraleehan & England) whose funeral will take place this week, and all the faithful departed.
May they Rest In Peace

DATES FOR PARISH OF OUGHTERAGH AND LOWER DRUMREILLY - CEMETERY SUNDAY:

Corraleehan today with Mass at 12 noon, Aughnasheelin Sunday 4th Aug Mass at 12 noon,

Aughawillan Sunday 11th Aug Mass at 9:45 am, & Ballinamore Sunday 18th Aug 1pm in Oughteragh Cemetery

Please bring Holy water with you to bless your families Graves

JOIN ARCHBISHOP FRANCIS DUFFY AND DANA: in Ballintuber Abbey on Sunday August 4th to rekindle the fire of faith and walk in the footsteps of our ancestors, who suffered and sacrificed much to keep the flame of faith burning bright in our country. Rosary 1.15pm, 2pm Holy Mass, 3pm Eucharistic Healing service. The organisers are asking everyone to make a big effort to join them on the day as a witness to our faith and to pray for the fire of faith to burn brightly again in our country. For further information contact lightthefireaug24@gmail.com or **087 947 7256**

GRANDPARENTS PILGRIMADGE TO KNOCK SHRINE: takes place today 28th of July ceremonies commence at 2:30 in the basilica

VISITATION OF THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND: Fr Moses and Fr Seán will visit of the sick and housebound on Wednesday at the usual times, they will be in contact in advance of the visit.

MINISTERIES: Please note that while we appreciate 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. Reminder for collectors it would be appreciated that if after bringing the collection to the front of the Altar, that after each Mass you would also bag up the collection and place it in the Church safe.

KILMORE DIOCESAN APOSTOLIC WORK SOCIETY: in order to raise funds to support our Missionaries, the Society is to hold a raffle with many valuable prizes to be won on Sunday 1st of September. Tickets are €5 each or three for €10 and are available in this area from Ann O'Hara of Church Street Tel. **087 6218684** Many thanks.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK SHRINE: Bishop Martin Hayes invites all parishioners throughout the diocese of Kilmore to attend the annual diocesan pilgrimage to Knock Shrine on Friday the 9th of August, the Feast of St Felim - the Patron Saint of the Diocese. Ceremonies begin at 2pm with the Stations of the Cross and Rosary Procession. The Celebration of Mass with the Anointing of the Sick will take place at 3pm and the Ceremony will conclude with a Eucharistic Procession and Benediction. Parishioners from St Anne's Church, Bailieborough, will participate in the liturgy and provide the Sacred Music for the special ceremony. **A bus will be arranged to pick up pilgrims from the pastoral area, leaving Ballinamore at 9am on the 9th of August, to book a seat contact Mary **087 754 1234** Cost €15**

COMMUNITY NOTES

ATHLETIC CLUB NEWS: Only two weeks now to the Family Festival Open Road races. Entries for the Open 10K which includes Leitrim Championships and the Open 5K which includes fun run close on line with Event master at 1 pm on Saturday 10th. Entries for the under 14 and under 12 1500m races on race day morning.

AUGHNASHEELIN AUGUST BANK HOLIDAY PLANS: are in progress for the traditional Aughnasheelin weekend.

Saturday morning - something for everyone, the Parent & Toddler group are hosting an Adventure Buggy Walk at 11am, Ciorcal na mBan are hosting a coffee morning, including a farmers market and cake sale from 11am-1pm.

Sunday at 12 pm Mass and blessing of the graves followed by refreshments in the Community Centre.

Aughnasheelin Development Group will hold a fundraising **Table Quiz on Sunday evening at 7.30pm until 9pm** and

Bank Holiday Monday Aughnasheelin GAA Club will host the Family Fun Day from 2-5pm. throughout the weekend there will be a Car Treasure Hunt competition which people can do at their leisure, the winners will be selected on the family fun day. Let's hope the sun shines and we can catch up, reminisce and make new friends.

NORTH WEST STEM FEST: Mr. Math Weeney is running THE creative experience for teens in Science, Technology, Engineering and Math's again this summer. It's suitable for boys and girls of all abilities aged 12 to 17. 10am to 3pm each day. Ballinamore 29th July - 2nd Aug. Cost €129 with discounts available. Call Seán on **089 959 6278** for details.

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

BALLINAMORE WALKING GROUP: Join our new walking group, meeting every Tuesday at 10am at the basin near Supervalu. A weekly walk & talk with a friendly group of people. All welcome to join.

BALLINAMORE LIBRARY SUMMER STAR PROGRAMME IS IN FULL SWING. To coincide with the programme, a number of Free Events have been organised as follows. **Story-time** on Saturday 27th July at 11am age 0-5yrs.

Canvas Bag Making with Hullabaloo on Tues 13th of August 2024 at 1pm. and **Children's Book-Club** on Thursday 15th August at 12pm-12.30pm. All events are FREE and all children are welcome to attend, but places are limited so booking is important. Also **Free "Little Library Bag"** for all children starting school in September '24. Children can pick up their bags by calling in anytime. For info. Drop in, call **071 964 5566** or email ballinamorelibrary@leitrimcoco.ie

ADULTS: CHAIR EXERCISES WITH DILLON: Ballinamore Library on 30th July at 12.30pm-1.30pm. For more info. about any of the events, phone us **071 9645566**, drop into the Library, or email ballinamorelibrary@leitrimcoco.ie

COMMUNITY SERVICES HUB BALLINAMORE: in the Community Den (N41R522). Information, signposting, free refreshments and a space to talk and socialise. Every second Tuesday from 10am-12noon. 13th* & 27th August, 10th & 24th September, 8th & 22nd October, 5th & 29th November. Also featuring: sewing and mending clothes, basic bicycle repairs & swap shop: clothes, toys, books & plants. * Tuesday 13th August we will have a Uniform Swap Shop.

QQI LEVEL 5 COMPUTER COURSE – SEPTEMBER 2024: Are you looking to upskill, gain employment or access third level education? Then we have the course just for you. Mohill Computer Training are now enrolling for our full – time QQI Level 5 computer course, register now and call **071 963 2024** or email margaret@mct.ie for information.

MSLETB FAMILY LEARNING PROGRAMME are offering a FREE Family Art Camp for 5 years and over, in The Old Vocational School Ballinamore, Mon 29th July – Thurs 1st August. 10am - 12pm. The camp is 3 days art with Noreen and 1 craft day with Mo from Hullabaloo. Children must be accompanied by a family member (Parent, Grandparent, Aunt, Uncle or Guardian) Please contact Niamh to book your place **086 077 9362** or email familylearning@msletb.ie

SING TOGETHER at the ISLAND THEATRE Monthly drop-ins **11am-12.30pm.** Pay as you go/can **27th July & 10th Aug 2024.** Call Sarah for more information **087 762 0523** / sarah@sarahgarden.ie. Everyone is welcome and you don't need to be an experienced singer, this is a chance to sing songs from every genre.

SEAN O HESLINS- introducing new fundraiser: €2000 in our new 50/50 draw! Sat 27th July in Priors. Download the app to enter - tickets also be available in Priors @ High St, Smyth Siopa Ól, Murphy's Newsagents or club members.

50TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION: Saturday 10th August – is our 50th Anniversary celebration of historic Minor Football Championship winning team in The Island Theatre. All club members are welcome to the Presentation @ 8.30pm and tea & coffee will be served afterwards.

REFLECTION

(Grandparents are like Stars you don't always see them but you know they are there)

Lord God almighty, bless our grandparents with long life, happiness, and health. May they remain constant in your love and be living signs of your presence to their children and grandchildren. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

FRIENDS & CONCERNED COMMUNITY MEMBERS: there has been a stay on the evictions of the 11 families in Carraig Accommodation Centre, but eviction is still an issue and this is only a stay. CATU members are willing to assist highlight this situation to local public representatives and letters of support are being sought from local community members, copies of which will be made available to all groups or contact sligoleitrim@catuireland.org for information

THE SEASON OF CREATION FROM 1ST SEPTEMBER TO 4TH OCTOBER 2024. Pope Francis is calling on all of us to take action during this time. There are many things that your parish can do to mark this event and there are resources below for you to explore. If you require any support from the Diocesan Kilmore Care of Creation Group, please do not hesitate to contact us. [Resources - Season of Creation](#) Patricia Keenan - Kilmore Care of Creation

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 is to assist people in using digital technology class on Fri. 10am-5pm. Call **071 964 5566** or email ballinamorelibrary@leitrimcoco.ie to book

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LAY PASTORAL MINISTRY PROGRAMME IN KILMORE DIOCESE: Following feedback from Parish meetings across the Diocese in Autumn 2023, Bishop Martin and the team are delighted to announce that plans are well underway for developing (in conjunction with St. Patrick's Maynooth) our Lay Pastoral Ministry Training Programme. This training programme aims to equip lay leaders with the skills to work in Parishes/Pastoral areas as Lay Pastoral workers. Information meetings are being scheduled across the Diocese for September. More details to follow.

ACCORD NOW SEEKING MARRIAGE PREPARATION FACILITATORS. Might this be you? Accord Catholic Marriage Care Service CLG is currently recruiting volunteers to train as marriage preparation programme facilitators. If you: are supportive of marriage in the Catholic Church; and have the enthusiasm to be part of the Accord team that supports couples preparing for the Sacrament of Marriage ... then Accord wishes to hear from you! An Accord marriage preparation facilitator is a personally fulfilling leadership role, blending life experience and faith. Successful applicants will receive professional training and be part of a team delivering marriage preparation programs locally. Contact Aisling on **01 505 3112** or email marriagepreparation@accord.ie and further information see www.accord.ie

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.

SOCIAL SOLO NETWORK: Do you enjoy and getting out of the house? If you had people to go with? Then Social Solo might be for you, we are a county-wide social network for over 55's who are feeling socially isolated and lonely for many different reasons and want to get out and meet new friends. We hold a number of larger events each year, for people to meet each other and then people can contact each other outside of the group and meet up. We also have a WhatsApp group, where people can share events and see if anyone wants to go to them. Contact Anna McTiernan **086 4073492** or annamctiernan@ldco.ie for information or bookings. All welcome!

WHERE IS MY MIND? - LIVE TOUR 2024 - WITH NIALL 'BRESSIE' BRESLIN: Saturday 19th Oct 2024, @ 7.45pm After a sensational run of sold out shows in 2023, Niall "Bressie" Breslin is bringing his multi-award-winning 'Where is My Mind?' podcast on the road again in October Tickets on our website islandtheatre.ie and at niallbreslin.com.

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**

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



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MEDJUGORJE IRISH CENTRE PILGRIMAGES - 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: **0353 1 443 4510** or email: reservations@med-irishcentre.com and Website: www.med-irishcentre.com

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

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

REMAINING DATES DIOCESE OF KILMORE PRE-MARRIAGE COURSE 2024: Fri 11th Oct. 7.30pm – 10 pm & Sat 12th 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

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.

MUVE HEALTHCARE provides homecare services in the local area. If you are looking for a carer or nurse for your relative or loved one, please contact Caroline O'Neill, Head of Homecare on **089 611 1647** for more details. Our website is www.muvehealthcare.ie.

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 on **086 192 1505** and leave a message with your name and contact number and I will phone you back.