BALLINAMORE & DRUMREILLY LOWER PARISH NEWSLETTER

Christmas Day & Sunday 26th of December (Feast of the Holy Family) 2021 Feast Days, 26th the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph, also St Stephens Day. 27th St John

Apostle & Evangelist. Dec 28th the Holy Innocents & Martyrs. Dec 29th St Thomas Becket. Dec 31st St Sylvester 1, Pope.

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Mass Sun 12 noon, Mon-Thurs 11am daily 27th – 30th (no Mass Friday am) Ballinamore St. Patrick's Church:

Mass Intentions

Christmas Eve 7 pm James Bohan (Drumrane) and deceased family members

Christmas Eve 9:30 pm People of the Parish Special Intention Christmas Day 12 pm Sun 26th 12 am No Intention

Wed 29th Dec 11 am Sonny and Bridie Prior (Drumrane) and deceased members of the Prior & Kelly family

Thurs 30th Dec 11 am Louis Quinn (Drumlonan) Months Mind

Sat 1st Jan 12 noon People of the Parish

Sun 2nd Jan 11 am Patrick Rehill (Drumcroman) Months Mind

Thurs 6th Jan 11 am **Epiphany**

Sat 8th Jan 11 am Winifred McTague (Stralohan) Months Mind

Christmas Eve Paddy O'Connor, Thomas Kelly, Gerard McCartin Christmas Day **Eucharist Ministers:**

Patricia Griffin, James Maguire, James Óg Maguire Sun 26th Laim McGovern,

Ministers of the Word: Christmas Eve Community School Christmas Day Scoil Chlann Naofa, Dec 26th Gabriel Cronin

26th Dec & 2nd Jan Francis McTaque, Brendan Brennan, Sean McKeon, & Alan Banks. **Door Collectors**

Eucharistic Adoration suspended while work continues in the Prayer Room

Aughnasheelin, St. Mary's Church: Mass - Christmas Eve 6pm and Christmas Day 10 am and Sun 11 am

Mass Intentions

Christmas Eve 6 pm Special Children's mass for all Parishioners

Christmas Day 10 am No Intention St Stephens Day 11 am No Intention Fri 31st Dec 7pm No Intention

Sat 1st of Jan 2 pm Mary Boyle (Tullybawn) Months Mind

Sat 1st Jan 7pm No Intention Weds Jan 5th 7 pm Vigil for Epiphany Sat 8th Jan 7 pm James O'Dowd (Mayo)

and deceased family members

Caroline Sammon and Sheila O'Dowd **Eucharistic Ministers (Dec)**

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

Corraleehan St. Brigid's Church: Mass Christmas Day 11 am and Sunday 9:45 am

Mass Intentions

Christmas Day 11 am No Intention St Stephens Day 9:45 am No Intention

Sun 2nd Jan 9:45 am Josephine, Jim Joe & Brian Prior (Drumderg)

Wed 5th Jan 9:30 am No Intention Thurs 6th Jan 9:45 Epiphany

Sun 9th Jan 9:45 am Michael and Bridget McManus (Drumderg) and all deceased family members

Eucharistic Adoration Wednesday 10 am to 8 pm, All Welcome

Aughawillan St Patrick's Church: Mass Christmas Eve at 8:15 pm and Sun 11am

Mass Intentions

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 Sat 1st Jan 8:15 pm No Intention Vigil for Epiphany Wed 5th Jan 8:15 pm

RECENT BAPTISM: We welcome Éabha May Sammon to our Christian family, congratulations to her family on this joyous occasion

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

CHURCH NOTES

<u>BALLINAMORE PRAYER GROUP:</u> meet Tuesdays from 8:30 to 9:45 pm, in St Brigid's Parish Centre, all welcome. <u>WHILE WE HAVE FULL CAPACITY IN OUR CHURCHES</u>: 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 release 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

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

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.

<u>AFFORDABLE LIVE-IN HOMECARE</u> 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 <u>www.alhomecare.ie</u> <u>AUGHNASHEELIN COFFEE MORNING</u>: 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.

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.

<u>CUAN CANCER SUPPORT CENTRE</u>: 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

BALLINAMORE MENS SHED are hosting a Table Quiz on St Stephens Day (today) in Smyth's Siopa Ól @2pm, all proceeds to Rehab Care Ballinamore Tables of 4 at €10 per person. Finger Food Provided, please support.

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 NOLLAIG SHONA DHUIT, AGUS ATHBHLIAIN FAOI MHAISE DHUIBH GO LEAR: Happy Christmas to all our members, supporters and players, thanks for all your support this year we hope you all have a wonderful Christmas LEITRIM LADIES: congratulations to the all the Leitrim Ladies and their management team on a fantastic victory on Sunday against Roscommon in the Connacht final. The Ballinamore ladies have been fantastic this year and we are all proud of their achievements in the Leitrim Colours.

REFLECTION

Fr Sean, Fr Johnny, & the Parish Pastoral Council wish all parishioners & visitors a Happy and Peaceful Christmas.

May you be blessed with the spirit of Christmas which is

The goodness of Christmas which is

And the heart of Christmas which is

PEACE

HOME

LOVE