

# BALLINAMORE PARISH NEWSLETTER

*17th July 2016 (16<sup>th</sup> Sunday O.T)*

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**Ballinamore Masses :** Mon & Wed 7pm Tues, Thurs & Fri 9am, Sat 11am, Sat 7pm,(Vigil) Sun.11.30am.  
**Aughnasheelin Masses:** Wed 9am, No Friday Evening Mass , Sun. 10am.

**Feast Days during the week:** Wed 20<sup>th</sup> St. Margaret of Antioch, Thurs 21<sup>st</sup> St. Lawrence of Brindisi, Fri 22<sup>nd</sup> St. Mary Magdalene, Sat 23<sup>rd</sup> July St Bridget of Sweden, Patron of Europe.

## **Mass intentions for the week:**

Sat 16<sup>th</sup> July 7pm People of the Parish  
Sun 17<sup>th</sup> July 11:30 Special intention.  
Thurs 21<sup>st</sup> July 7:30pm Knock Walkers Mass  
Sat 23<sup>rd</sup> July 11am Fiona Duignan, Kiltymoodan  
23<sup>rd</sup> July 7pm Patrick & Margaret Wynne (Drumrane) & their grandson Philip Kelly of Birmingham.  
Sun 24<sup>th</sup> July 11:30 John Joe Smyth, Ballyduff

## **Altar Servers**

Team 6 Sun 17<sup>th</sup>, Sat 23<sup>rd</sup> July Paul Moran, Kuba Kaminski, Mikey Reilly, Fiachra McGrath, Adam Kaminski  
Team 1 Sun 24<sup>th</sup> July, Sat 30<sup>th</sup> Seamus Wisley, Caillian Murphy, Danny O'Brien, Sam Cullen, Eoin Connaughton

## **Door Collectors**

23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> July Anna Gallogly, Declan Cumiskey, Joe Murphy, Louis Creamer

## **Ministers of the Word**

Sat 23<sup>rd</sup> July 7pm Marie O'Connor  
Sun 24<sup>th</sup> July 11:30 Gabriel Cronin

## **Eucharistic Ministers**

Sat 23<sup>rd</sup> July 7pm Mona Creamer, Liam McGovern, Mary Quinn  
Sun 24<sup>th</sup> July 11:30 Evelyn McHugh, Marian Sharpley, PJ McLoughlin .

**Recent Deaths** We pray for the soul of Margaret (Peggy) Whyte nee D'Arcy formally of High Street, Ballinamore & Strabane, whose funeral took place in Ballinamore on Sat. July 16<sup>th</sup>.

**Baptism:** We welcome Dylan James Wrynn into our church community as he received the sacrament of baptism. Congratulations to her parents.

**Confessions:** Sat. After 11am mass, before and after Sat 7pm mass, anytime on request.

**Eucharistic Adoration** every Friday from after 9am mass to 1.30pm. All welcome.

## **Notices**

**Annual Visitation and Blessing of Graves :** will take place in Oughteragh cemetery on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> August with mass at 2.30pm in cemetery and in Aughnasheelin on Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> July with mass at 10am. Blessing of Graves follows mass. Families are invited to bring Holy Water with them to sprinkle on their own graves.

**Anniversary Masses & New Mass Times:** From the 1<sup>st</sup> weekend in September, there will be no Saturday evening mass in **Ballinamore**. Therefore all masses booked for a Saturday evening from September onwards will automatically be moved to the Sunday of the same weekend. The same for **Aughnasheelin** masses, which will be moved from the Sunday to the Saturday evening of the same weekend.

## **Belfast to Knock Peace Walkers.**

We are now just a few days away from having our friends from Belfast pass through our town as they walk to Knock over five days on their Peace Pilgrimage. The walkers will arrive in Ballinamore on next Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July. This is the twenty second year of the walk and over those years the parish has always opened their hearts and homes to the walkers and have been most generous and supportive in providing beds for those walking the pilgrimage.

Hopefully this year will be no exception and if you can give a bed for even one walker it will be much appreciated.

"I was a stranger and you invited me in "truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me." Matthew 25:35-40

**We would ask that as many parishioners as possible Please come along on the evening as a show of our support, encouragement and friendship for the pilgrims on their journey.**

**The mass will be on this Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July at 7:30pm. All parishioners are welcome to come and experience the Mass, the music and the liturgy that the Cursillio members bring to their celebrations.**

If you can provide a bed for even one walker Please call 071 9644800 or 0879610911 and leave your name and number or you can come along to the Mass on Thursday evening and we will connect you with your guest who will have walked from Clones to Ballinamore on that day and will be glad to get a bed for the night, thanks to those who have already come forward with offers but at the moment we really do need more.

**Fr Alan McGuckian SJ is Chaplin to the walkers this year and our own with Fr. Sean Kelly (Spiritual Director Cursillio) will be celebrating the Mass on Thursday evening. The mass will be on this Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July at 7:30pm. All are welcome to come and experience the Mass, the music and the liturgy that the Cursillio members bring to their celebrations.**

**Altar Servers Outing to Waterworld Bundoran will take place on Monday July 25<sup>th</sup> , Details and forms have been sent to each server.** A meeting for Parents of Servers going to Waterworld will take place on Mon. July 18<sup>th</sup> at 8pm in the Parish Community Centre. It is essential that all paperwork be completed and returned to Fr. Sean as soon as possible.

**Ballinamore Area Community Council Ltd.** wishes to thank everybody for their extreme generosity towards our fundraising efforts. Unfortunately due to excessive rainfall our Golf Classic had to be called off last weekend but is re-scheduled for Saturday 24th September. Many, many thanks. Máirín Martin, Chairperson.

**Foreign Missions Collection** The Apostolic Society is holding a Church-gate Collection on Saturday/Sunday 23/24 for the Foreign Missions. Your support would be very much appreciated. We are a voluntary society and all funds raised goes directly to priests and nuns from the Kilmore Diocese on the foreign missions. New members to help us in the work would be very welcome. Thank you.

**One Day Mindfulness Retreat Workshop** with the experienced facilitator, Helen McCrarren, in the Kilmore Diocesan Pastoral Centre on Sunday 24 July 2016. The workshop will outline how to relish and rejoice in the wonder of the present moment. Cost: €60. For further information or to register, please phone 087 4129385 or email

[helen@mindbodyenergymatters.ie](mailto:helen@mindbodyenergymatters.ie)

**Theology Matters!** Join our supportive student community and study theology from home. Application deadline is 20<sup>th</sup> September 2016. Phone 01 4048124 or email : [enquiries@prioryinstitute.com](mailto:enquiries@prioryinstitute.com)

**Ballinamore Fishing & Tourism Meeting** a meeting will be held this coming Monday 18th in the New Tourism Centre at 9pm, please try and attend.

**RHS Home Care** is a Non Commercial Home Care Provider in your Community bringing professional home care services to those who need assistance to remain living in their own homes. We are now recruiting new Healthcare Assistants in your area and would love to hear from you, please contact Aoife on: 090 66 25 988.

**Rehab Care Ballinamore** would like to thank everyone who made our Coffee morning and cake sale such a great success. We would especially like to thank local businesses who sponsored spot prizes for our raffle, Families and friends who donated cakes for our cake sale and members of the public and family members who came to our event and very generously supported us. Over one thousand Euro was raised on the day so thank you again for your continued support.

### **Béal an Átha Móir Seán Ó hEislin Fixtures**

Division 3 game on Sunday morning in Drumkeerin at 12.00 against Drumkeerin. Under 14 championship on Monday against Droim Dhá Thiar in the Park at 7.00.

**Glenfarne – Kiltyclogher Heritage Tour:** Fully Guided Bus Tour. Every Saturday departing 1pm at the Rainbow Ballroom of Romance, Glenfarne. Tour lasts approx. 2.5 hrs & includes stops at Old Glenfarne Railway Station, Scenic Drive through the homestead of the Tottenham Family, lough McNea Shoreline, visit to Heritage Centre, visit Homestead of Sean McDiarmada, and finally Ballroom of Romance for Museum of Showband Memorabilia and light refreshments. Only €10 per person. All bookings in advance by contacting 071 9856831/ 087 2473631 or email:

[info@glenfarnecommunity.com](mailto:info@glenfarnecommunity.com)

## Activity, Passivity, or Receptivity?

Mary of Bethany, disciple of the Lord, has chosen the most important thing required in welcoming others – her presence and full attention, so that it is her guest who shines. Martha and Mary stand forever as symbols of the two modes of life between which we continually oscillate. Activity can become a shield against facing the issues and questions and truths that must be allowed to surface if we are to survive. There are times when we simply must contemplate, must step back, must think, if we are to be capable of returning to meaningful activity.

The key of the Gospel story is not found in the tension of activity versus passivity, but in receptivity. The one necessity in welcoming others into one's home or community is being present to them – listening to what they have to say, as Mary does in today's Gospel.

At the dinner party in Bethany, Martha learned a profound lesson: perhaps a simple pita bread was better than a full Middle Eastern feast, if it got her out of the kitchen and in the company of such an important guest as was sitting in the living room with her sister, Mary. Perhaps Martha was finally able to sit down and grasp the full impact of what was unfolding in her very home – that her own sister was behaving as a true disciple of this man Jesus. And hopefully Martha discovered that the meal was only the scenery, not the script!. ( Reflection by Fr.Thomas Rosica.)

“There’s a time to work and a time to play, There’s a time to plan and a time to do,

But,there never was a time to quit.!”