

# **BALLINAMORE PARISH NEWSLETTER**

*24<sup>th</sup> January 2016 (Third Sunday O.T)*

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**Ballinamore Masses :** Mon & Wed 7pm, Tue Thurs & Fri 9am, Sat 11am & 7pm Vigil Sun. 11.30am.

**Aughnasheelin Masses:** Wed 9am, Fri 8pm Sun. 10am.

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

Sat 23 <sup>rd</sup> Jan 7pm	Mary Mulvihill, Aghadark Michael Keegan, (Lahard) his Grand daughter Saoirse & deceased members of The Keegan Family Mattie & Rose Dolan (Fenagh) and Grandson Matthew
Sun 24 <sup>th</sup> Jan 11:30	People of The Parish
Thurs 28 <sup>th</sup> Jan 9am	Johnnie & Benny Gilronan & deceased family members
Sat 30 <sup>th</sup> Jan 7pm	John Thomas & Anna Quinn, Drumlonan Seán Flynn, Ardrum (Months Memory) Tess Conway, St. Brigid's Street
Sun 31 <sup>st</sup> Jan 11:30	Patricia Dolphin, High Street, Dublin (Months Memory)

**Recent Deaths** We pray for Anna (Cissie) Duignan (née Tiernan) Curraghnabania, whose funeral took place on Saturday. We also pray for Sr. Margaret Mary Gilfillan of The Mercy Community Ballinamore, whose funeral takes place today Sunday 11:30. May they rest in peace. Our sympathies to their families.

## **Altar Servers**

Team 5 Sun 24 <sup>th</sup> & Sat 30 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Siobhan Flynn, Lillie Byrne, Grainne Prior, Tara Conway, Mollie Murphy, Emma Beirne
Team 6 Sun 31 <sup>st</sup> Jan & Sat 6 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Paul Moran, Kuba Kaminski, Mikey Reilly, Fiachra McGrath, Adam Kaminski

## **Door Collectors**

Sat 30 <sup>th</sup> & 31 <sup>st</sup> Jan	Brendan Sweeney, Sean Kavanagh, Michael Dolan (Willowfield) Damien Hamill
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## **Ministers of the Word**

**Sat 30<sup>th</sup> Jan 7pm** Patricia Griffin

**Sun 31<sup>st</sup> Jan 11:30** Gabriel Cronin

## **Eucharistic Ministers**

Sat 30<sup>th</sup> Jan 7pm Padraig McGovern & Christopher McNiff, Noel Dolan

Sun 31<sup>st</sup> Jan 11:30 Peggy Logan, Dymphna McTague, Maureen Martin

## **Parish Notes**

### **Forthcoming Events In The Diocesan Pastoral Centre:**

1. **Catholic Schools Week 2016** - Rev. John Paul Sheridan, Education Programmes Co-ordinator at St. Patrick's College in Maynooth, will give a guest lecture on "Catholic Schools: Challenged to Proclaim God's Mercy" in the Diocesan Pastoral Centre, Cullies, Cavan Town, on Tuesday 26 January 2016 at 7:30p.m. All welcome. Subscription: €5. Tea and Coffee afterwards.

2. **Diocesan Pilgrimage to Assisi and Rome** - There are still a number of places available on the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Assisi and Rome from 12-17 September 2016 to mark the Year of Mercy. Fare: €799 per person sharing. If interested, please contact the Diocesan Pastoral Centre on 049 4375004 as soon as possible, please.

3. **World Youth Day 2016** - There are a limited number of places available for those aged 18-35 on the Diocesan Youth Pilgrimage to World Youth Day in Poland next July. Fare: €800 approx. If interested, please contact the Diocesan Pastoral Centre on 049 4375004 as soon as possible, please.

4. **Mindfulness Training** - An eight week course in Mindfulness-based Stress Reduction begins in the Diocesan Pastoral Centre, Cullies, Cavan Town, on Wednesday 27 January from 7:00p.m. to 9:15p.m. Course Fee: €300. To enrol or for further information, please contact Helen on 087 4129385 or email [helen@mindbodyenergymatters.ie](mailto:helen@mindbodyenergymatters.ie)

**Year of Consecrated Life** - There will be a special Mass in the Cathedral of SS. Patrick & Felim in Cavan next Sunday afternoon, 31 January 2016, at 3:00p.m. to mark the end of the Church's special Year of Consecrated Life. Bishop Leo O'Reilly will be the principal celebrant. All are welcome to attend, especially members of religious orders and the families of those who served and continue to serve as religious sisters and brothers in Ireland and overseas.

**Parish Pastoral Council** meeting will take place this Wednesday January 27<sup>th</sup> at 8.30 pm in the Community Centre.

All members are asked to attend.

**Looking for something new and worthwhile to do this Lent which begins on Feb. 10<sup>th</sup>?**

**Why not try "Life in the Spirit Seminars" which commence in Aughnasheelin Church on Tuesday Feb 2<sup>nd</sup> and will last for 7 weeks.**

This is a programme similar to the very successful Alpha Course which concluded before Christmas. The evening will begin with Mass at 7.30pm in St. Marys Church Aughnasheelin with a guest speaker. Then we will make the short walk to the Community Hall where there will be discussion, prayer and tea. All are invited.

## **Catholic Schools Week 2016 Jan 31<sup>st</sup> – Feb 6<sup>th</sup>**

The theme for Catholic Schools Week this year is Catholic Schools: **Challenged to proclaim God's Mercy**. It is hoped that this theme will help contextualise the Extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy proclaimed by Pope Francis. During this Catholic Schools Week, we will explore with the children how they can be the face of God's mercy in our classrooms, the playground, our school, our families and our community.

**“Are you supporting someone close through a difficult time?”** Free listening support for Carers, Relatives or Friends who support people going through mental health issues. Carers Liaison and Support Service (CLASS) provides free support through a team of trained volunteers who may have been through similar experience. The support is provided on a one to one basis in a safe, neutral and confidential environment. Areas we cover are Sligo, Leitrim and South Donegal. If you would like to receive support, please contact Family Carers Ireland at 071 9143123 or 087 8188716 for more information.”

**Family Carers Ireland are providing the Care Support Module** as part of QQI Level 5 Healthcare Support Full Award training in your area based on demand in January 2016, to express your interest and for more information kindly contact the training unit on 0579370221

**Church Gate Collection next weekend the 30th - 31st January in aid of the IHCPT (Irish Pilgrimage Trust).**

'The Irish Pilgrimage Trust is a registered charity in Ireland. For the past 40 years, The Trust travels on pilgrimage and on holiday to Lourdes with young people with special needs, from all over Ireland. They travel on Easter Sunday and participate in a unique week in Lourdes. Together with friends from the wider community of HCPT, over five thousand pilgrims enjoy this unique experience every year.' Your support is gratefully appreciated. Thanking you in advance, Erin Moran.

**Ballinamore Childcare Ltd** are holding a fundraising table quiz to raise money for our three services (An Naíonra, Lollipop kids & Afterschool) on Friday the 5th of February in Jackies Lakeland Bar, Ballinamore at 9pm. Tables are €20 for a team of 4. Raffle will also be held on the night. We look forward to seeing you there.

**Ballinamore Area Community Games AGM**

Ballinamore area Community Games includes the parishes of Aughawillan Aghnasheelin Ballinamore Coraleehan Drumreilly Fenagh and includes an extensive list of competitions from Dance Drama Art Athletics, team events such as GAA Basketball Rugby and Soccer. A full list of competition events is available on the website -

<http://www.communitygames.ie/events.html> Ballinamore Area participated in many events and has had many successes down through the years. 2015 was a great year for Leitrim with over 150 children from the county participating in the All Ireland Finals in Athlone The AGM of Ballinamore Area community games takes place in **Priors at 9pm on 25th January** and we are seeking assistance from all these areas to help the committee promote and run these events.

**Drumshanbo Enterprise Centre**

We are currently recruiting participants for a QQI/Fetac level 5 **Early Childhood Care and Education** course.

This programme aims to equip the learner with the skill, knowledge and competence required to work in a range of Early Childhood Care and Education setting and/or to progress to higher education and training.

For more information or to book a place contact Michael on 0719641577, or email [enterpriseinfo@eircom.net](mailto:enterpriseinfo@eircom.net)

**Ballinamore Parent & Toddler**, Situated in the old medical clinic (middle of the town, on a temporary basis!) Every Wednesday 10.00a.m.-12.00p.m. €2 per week (for tea, coffee, biscuits etc.) All parents/grandparents or child minders who are in the company of babies or toddlers are invited to come along for a cup of tea and a chat while the children mix and play! For more information contact: Laura Mc Hugh 086 6035977

**Ballinamore Area Community Council are pleased to announce a New Six Day Week Bus Service** from

Ballinamore: Good news for Ballinamore - the long awaited bus service will start on Monday 1st February 2016 and will transport people from Ballinamore, Fenagh, Gortvagh, Mohill in time to catch the Dromod train to Dublin. It will also take people back same evening. Further details, timetables etc will be available later this week.

**Ballinamore Musical Society - Date for your diary !**

Erin go Bragh - The latest production by Ballinamore Musical Society is well under way and will be staged in the community center from February 19th . Erin go Bragh is an original musical and dramatical tribute to the heroes of 1916 depicting the events in the lead up to and during the fateful Easter week that changed the course of history in Ireland. This show has something for everyone - song, dance, music, comedy and drama

**The Craft Cabin In Ballyconnell** are running a kids club every first and third Friday starting from 22nd Jan, from 4pm - 5.30pm at eur10 per week for primary school aged kids . also, there is a new teens club for older or more crafty kids every second and fourth Friday starting 29th Jan from 5pm - 6.30pm at eur10 per week. We also have new courses for beginners and improvers in crochet starting this Tuesday 19th Jan. call 00 353 49 9527424 for more details and to book a place.

[www.thecraftcabin.ie](http://www.thecraftcabin.ie)

**Béal an Átha Móir Seán Ó hEislin**

**Under 16 County Trials** U16 county trials on Sunday 17th January at the mayflower Drumshanbo in the hall and Astro. From 10 am to 11.30.

**Launch of the Supporters Club**

The Bus times for travelling to the Launch of the Supporters club in Croke Park on next Thursday January 21st is as follows- The bus is FOC, and there is no need to book,

Leaving Swimming Pool Drumshanbo 4.30pm , Pairc Sean Mac Diarmada 4.45pm

Football pitch Bornacoola Dromod 5pm

**Connacht GAA Tain League Adult Division 2**

Round 1 6<sup>th</sup> Feb 2pm Ballinamore Hurling Club vs Cluainin Iomaint in Glencar/Manorhamilton Hurling grounds

Round 2 27<sup>th</sup> Feb 2pm Ballinamore Hurling Club vs Tourlestrane in Munnelly park Castlebar

Round 3 2<sup>nd</sup> Apr 2pm Ballinamore Hurling Club vs Castlebar Mitchels Hurling in Munnelly park Castlebar

Round 4 16<sup>th</sup> Apr 2pm Ballinamore Hurling Club vs Roscommon Gaels in Ballinamore

## Reflections

“Be thankful for what you have, but never take what you have for granted,  
Share with those who are less fortunate. You do not know what tomorrow brings.”

“Don’t overlook the beauty of small moments . The best portion of your life will be the small, nameless moments you spend smiling with  
someone who matters.”

“To hear Gods voice , we must turn down the world’s volume.”