**BALLINAMORE PARISH NEWSLETTER**

**31st July 2016 (18th Sunday O.T)**

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

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

**Feast Days during the week**: Mon 1st Aug St. Alphonsus Liguori, bishop and doctor, Thurs 4th Aug St. John Mary Vianney, priest, Sat 6th Aug Transfiguration of the Lord

**Mass intentions for the week**:

Sat 30th July 7pm People of the Parish

Sun 31st July 11:30 Mary Gormley, High Street & Fohera

Fri 5th Aug 9am Michael & Anne McTiernan, Main Street

Sat 6th Aug 7pm Peter Gormley & his parents Charles & Katie Gormley

James & Teresa Hamill, High Street

Sun 7th Aug 11:30 Tommy Mulvey, Killaneen

Madeleine & Ryan O’Rourke, Church Street

**Altar Servers**

Team 2 Sun 31st & Sat 6th Aug Ruth Creamer, Aoife D’Arcy, Megan McGovern, Niamh Donohoe, Isobel McAllister,

Alannah McBrien

Team 3 Sun 7th & 13th Aug Peter O’Connell, Seán Gartland, Michael McKiernan, Killian Maguire, TJ Quinn

**Door Collectors**

6th & 7th Aug Gordon Hughes, Thomas Kelly, Gerry Mahon, Seddie McGovern

**Ministers of the Word**

**Sat 6th Aug 7pm** Erin Moran

**Sun 7th July 11:30** Tommy Moran

**Eucharistic Ministers**

**Sat 6th Aug 7pm** Brendan Sweeney, Tommy Moran, Bridie Cafferty

**Sun 7th Aug 11:30** Paddy O’Connor, Thomas Kelly, Gerard McCartin

**Recent Deaths** We pray for the souls of (a) Julia Connolly (nee Smyth) Clane and formerly of Ballyduff, whose funeral took place on Friday (b) Mary Cox, formerly Main Street & Lough Erril Nursing Home who died on Friday, removal on Sunday pm arriving at Ballinamore Church at 7pm ,funeral mass on Monday at 11am.(c) Fr.Patrick (Matty) Griffin uncle of Cyril Griffin OFM whose funeral took place in Dublin on Wednesday. (d) Fr. Tom Smith , former curate who served in Aughnasheelin who died today Saturday. May they rest in peace. Our sympathy to their families.

**Baptism:** We welcome Matthew Dockery & Nicole Costello into our church community as they receive the sacrament of Baptism. Congratulations to their parents.

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

**Visitation of the Sick :** Visitation of the sick will take place in Aughnasheelin on Thursday & Ballinamore on Friday.

**Notices**

**Annual Visitation and Blessing of Graves : will take place in Oughteragh cemetery on Sunday 14th August with mass at 2.30pm in cemetery. 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 1st 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.

**Thanks**:Down and Connor Cursillio Peace Walkers wish to thank the parishioners of Oughteragh Parish for your wonderful welcome and hospitality shown to them on their recent visit to Ballinamore.

**Ballinamore Community Hall :**A group has been formed to look at the development potential of the Ballinamore Community Hall with a view to the current and future needs of the community. A questionnaire form will be available in the Tourist Centre, Library and Community Hall for anyone who wished to make a submission.

**Mohill Computer Training – Upcoming Courses this Autumn:** Improve your self confidence and IT skills at Mohill Computer Training this Autumn. Our Part Time QQI Level 3 Introduction to Computers is starting 5th September.Our Full Time QQI Level 5 Computer Applications begin on 3rd October. Gain 400 CAO points towards a third level place. **“...an excellent foundation on which to expand your IT experience!” – David Furniss (Past Student).** And the bonus is that training allowances are payable to eligible participants. And finally our Part Time QQI Level 4 Computer Course will start on 10th October. Apply now as places are limited. **Call 071-9632024** (email: info[@mct.ie](mailto:mohillent@eircom.net)). All our courses are supported by MSLETB.

**Tourism Association:** a meeting for members of the Tourism association will be held on Tuesday 2nd August at 9pm this meeting is to discuss the official opening. Please try and attend to help with preparations.

**Ballinamore Angling and Tourism Ltd :** would like to invite everyone to the Official Opening on Friday 5th August at 3.30.  A massive amount of work has gone into taking over the old Clinic and transforming it into the fine building it now is.  One more building saved from dereliction.  The committee and members of the tourism association would be very happy to see everyone coming along and celebrating this Opening.

**North West Simon Community** express sincere thanks:- The North West Simon Community wish to say thanks to all who contributed to their annual church gate collection in Ballinamore recently, to the volunteers who took up the collection, your support is appreciated for the local homeless charity. A total of €433.07 was collected.

**Monaghan Institute Full Time Courses - apply now.** New courses on offer starting in September. Further details contact 047-84900 /www.monaghaninstitute.ie

**STOP Suicide fundraising** 5kFun Walk/Run/Stroll will take place on Sunday 7 August at 3pm. The meeting point is the Castle Manorhamilton.

**Seán Ó hEislin Béal an Átha Móir**

Fixtures

Under 14s play Fenagh in the Park on Tuesday at 7.00pm

Lotto takes place on Monday night in Tábhairne an Bhainc. Jackpot €13,250.

**Outreach Programme** : There will be outreach service to Ballinamore from Mohill Family Support Centre for the month of August.  This service will return the month of September.  For more details call Laura on 086 6035977.

**Parent & Toddler Group** : There will be no Ballinamore Parent and Toddler Group the month of August in Ballinamore.  This group returns in September.  For more information or details call Laura on 086 6035977

**Two years ago Irish Graveyards.ie conducted a survey of Aughnasheelin & Oughteragh cemeteries.**

Along with providing an up to date map of each cemetery, they also provide a service to view family plots on line.

To access details on line, first enter www.irishgraveyards.ie then click on graveyard search, then select graveyard under Leitrim. Click Aughnasheelin or Oughteragh as appropriate, then enter family name and first name of the deceased, then click search, and a picture of your family plot should appear on screen with the names of those who are buried in the plot.

We hope this will be a welcome service particularly for those living abroad who may wish to view their family plot especially at anniversary times.

If you wish to have a memorial card included on website or for any query related to family plot or map, please contact Irish Graveyards directly in the following ways. **Tel** 094 936 6912 **Mob** 087 207 6248 **Email:** graveyardsurveyors@gmail.com **Post**: 6 Station Road, Balla, Castlebar, Co.Mayo**.**

**Reflection**

Jesus tells the crowd a parable. A rich man's lands have yielded more crops than expected. His response is not to consider how he might share all the extra food with others but to wonder how he can possibly store it all. He has what he thinks is a brilliant idea: to tear down his present barns and build larger ones. Then he will have many things stored up for years of eating, drinking, and making merry.

“You fool” is God's response to this man because that very night his life will be taken away. To whom will everything belong then, God asks. The rich man's world is small, just him and his possessions, and now he learns that he is to lose his life. What good are his possessions now? Jesus states the moral of the story. This is how it will be for everyone who stores up treasure for himself or herself but is not rich in what matters to God.

Centuries later St. Gregory the Great taught that when we care for the needs of the poor, we are giving them what is theirs, not ours. We are not just performing works of mercy; we are paying a debt of justice. Life does not consist in possessions but in sharing what we possess with others. The goods of the earth have been given to everyone.

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