

# **BALLINAMORE /DRUMREILLY LR. PARISH NEWSLETTER**

*5<sup>th</sup> March 2017 (1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent)*

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**Feast Days: Ss Perpetua & Felicity Tue 7<sup>th</sup> March**

**Ballinamore St. Patrick's Church Masses : Mon 7pm, Tue Wed & Thurs 7am, Fri 9am, Sat 11am, Sun 11am**

**Mass Intentions**

Sun 5<sup>th</sup> Mar 11am

Winnie McNamee, Church St  
Bernard, Mary McKiernan, 6 Railway Terrace  
Francis McGovern, Aughoo East

Sun 12<sup>th</sup> Mar 11am

Gerry Brady, Aghadark & deceased family members of the Brady family.  
Tommy Maguire, Main Street

**Altar Servers**

Team 4 Sun 12<sup>th</sup> : TJ, Tommy, Kian, Ava, Teagan

**Door Collectors**

**12<sup>th</sup> Mar Group 11** : Vera Brennan, Tommy McWeeney, Jim Cafferty, Michael Hanly

**Sun 19<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> Mar Group 12:** Seamus Earley, Austin Quinn, Michael Fanning, Camilus Martin

**Ministers of the Word**

Sun 12<sup>th</sup> Mar: Ann Gillen

**Eucharistic Ministers**

Sun 12<sup>th</sup> Mar: Paddy O'Connor, Thomas Kelly, Gerard McCartin

**Confessions:**

After Mass on Saturday mornings & on request

**Adoration :**

Fridays 9:30 – 1:30pm **7pm to 9pm**

**Aughnasheelin St Marys Church Masses: Wed 8pm Fri 8pm , Sat 8:15**

**Mass Intentions**

Sat 4<sup>th</sup> Mar 8:15

Youth Mass (Special Youth Mass dedicated to the Youth and families of our Parish)

Fri 10<sup>th</sup> Mar 8pm

Mary & Tom Prior & daughter Mary of Stralongford

Sat 11<sup>th</sup> Mar 8:15

Thady Prior, Callowhill

**Altar Servers :**

**Sat 11<sup>th</sup> Mar Team B:** Aoibhinn, Caoimhe, Hailey, Fergal **Suprv Moran**

**Ministers of The Word:**

Confirmation Class for month of March

**Eucharistic Ministers:**

**Sat 11<sup>th</sup> Mar :** M Mulvey & M Conway

**Fri 17<sup>th</sup> March** D McNiffe & T Prior

**Sat 18<sup>th</sup> P** Flynn & M Murphy

**Door Collector March:**

Peter Flynn, Brendan Reynolds, Brian O'Dowd

**Adoration :**

Wednesdays 11am-12md, 8pm-9pm and 9pm-10pm

**Corraleehan St. Brigid's Church Masses: Wed 9:30am , Sun 9:45am**

**Mass Intentions**

Sun 5<sup>th</sup> Mar 9:45am

No Intention

Sun 12<sup>th</sup> Mar 9:45am

Rose, Michael & Hugh Maguire & deceased family members, Corraleehan

**Ministers of The Word:**

Claire McNiffe & Carmel McNiffe

**Eucharistic Ministers:**

Nora Dolan & Annie McManus

**Door Collectors:**

Gerry Mehan & Joseph McNiff

**Altar Society March:**

Mary McGovern & Helen McGovern

**Adoration :**

Wed 10am – 10pm

**Aughawillan St. Patrick's Church Masses: Tue 7pm Sat 7pm**

**Mass Intentions**

Sat 4<sup>th</sup> Mar 7pm

Kathleen Campbell nee Gallagher, Blacklion & Killaphort

Sat 11<sup>th</sup> Mar 7pm

Patrick & Rita McCauley, Drumreilly

Bridie Stringer

Jack Fox, Glendargan

**Eucharistic Minister:**

**Sat 11<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> March :** Sinead Kiernan

**Minister of The Word:**

Doreen Flanagan & Donal Quinn

**Door Collectors March:**

Paddy Deane & Gerry Flanagan

**Altar Society March :**

Michelle Dolan & Katie Meekin

**Church Notes**

**Deceased :** We pray for the soul of (a) Margaret Reilly, Keelagh, (mother of Patricia McGoldrick, Church St) whose funeral takes place Thursday (b) Tommy Kelleher, formerly from Miskawn, who died in Michican-USA during the week , funeral took place in Aughnasheelin on Saturday (c) Mary Weaver (nee Rooney) formerly of Corra-beegher sister of Packie Rooney whose funeral was in Tolworth Surrey on Thursday 2nd March.

**CONFIRMATION PARENTS** - 'You shall be my witnesses' programme will be run in Ballinamore hall on 15th, 22nd, 29th of March for all Confirmation children. There will be a short information and registration meeting in Scoil Chlann Naofa Senior Building (formerly Ballinamore Boys School) on 8th March at 8pm. **Please note venue.** It is important to attend in order that your child is registered.

**AUGHNASHEELIN COMMUNION PARENTS:** For all the parents who attended the 'bridge' Programme with Martina in October - please contact her on 087 154 5012 to collect your books.

**Liturgy Preparation for Holy Week:** will be provided for newly formed and existing liturgy groups & any parishioner interested.

Facilitator Colette Furlong. Training take places in : **Diocesan Pastoral Centre** , Cavan Tue 14<sup>th</sup> Mar 7:30 -9:30pm . \* **St. Clare's**

**Primary Sch** Manorhamilton 22<sup>nd</sup> Mar 7:30 -9:30pm

**St. Patrick's Day Collection** : Funds will go towards food, provide support & educate many in African countries. Please Support

**The Garment of Suffering**

Each of us has some suffering or hurt in our lives, sometimes dating back from the past. The "Garment of Suffering" symbolises the hurt contained in our lives and community. During Lent we ask that you bring a piece of cloth (any Colour) about 6 inches square & leave it in the labelled box at back of church. Your cloth can represent for example grief over death or separation or the pain of sickness, the pain of doing wrong to others or having it done to you. During Lent and holy week the cloths will be all sewn together onto one complete garment. On Good Friday the garment will be draped over the Cross where Christ suffered for us bearing our sin and pain. During Lent and Easter we will pray to be healed. What is unique about this ritual is that you will be able to recognise your own piece of cloth, your own grief and suffering and yet understand that so many others share similar worries.

**Special Parish Lenten Programme: Please save the dates!** Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, and 29<sup>th</sup> of March from 7pm – 8pm in Ballinamore Community Centre. We invite parents/grandparents/guardians and all those interested to please come along to these talks. We have three wonderful speakers lined up – Collette Furlong, Bairbre Cahill and Fr. Ultan McGoochan.

***Calling all people who care about protecting life, Sadly Our Country has possibly one last opportunity to protect those who cannot protect themselves.. Your help is urgently requested to attend a Prolife information session in the Farnham Arms Hotel Cavan on 22nd of March at 7.30 pm. For any more info contact 087 3627533***

**Kilmore Diocesan Pilgrimage to Fatima** to mark Centenary of the Apparitions - Seven nights departing Thursday 14 September 2017 and returning Thursday 21 September. Seven nights accommodation in the Hotel Santo Amaro on full board basis. Spiritual Director: Fr. Tom Mannion, CC Glencar. Cost: €759 per person sharing. Booking forms, contact the Diocesan Centre in Cavan on 049 4375004.

**Eight-week Mindfulness-based Stress Reduction Programme** begins in the Kilmore Diocesan Pastoral Centre in Cavan on Wednesday 1 March 2017 with choice of two sessions daily, 10:30a.m. to 1:00p.m. or 7:00p.m. to 9:30p.m. and one-day retreat on Saturday 8 April 2017 from 10:00a.m. to 4:00p.m. Tuition Fee: €300 for full course and resources. For further information, please contact Pauline on 043 6683585/086 3784747 or Helen on 087 4129385.

**The Irish Augustinians are hosting a Vocation Weekend from Fri March 31** - Sunday April 2. This will be in their Drogheda Community and is open to any interested male over the age of 18. The Augustinians have been in Ireland close to 800 years and our charism is "community" as well as seeking God with a "restless heart". For more information please contact Fr Colm O Mahony on 086 88 45 747 or [augustinianvocations@hotmail.com](mailto:augustinianvocations@hotmail.com)

#### **Gathering for participants of theology courses**

Over the last number of years many people in the diocese have participated in theology courses offered through the Diocesan Pastoral Centre and other institutions. The Pastoral Centre courses include the certificate in theology and the Maryvale catechism course. If you have participated in such courses and are interested in putting your skills to use in a voluntary capacity in the diocese, I would be interested in hearing from you. Please phone or email to express your interest and based on the response, a gathering will be organised in the coming months to reflect on possibilities. Contact Rev. Ultan McGoochan at the Pastoral Centre on 049-4375004 or email [pastoralservices@kilmorediocese.ie](mailto:pastoralservices@kilmorediocese.ie)

#### **Catholic Grandparents Association: 1st Annual Retreat/Conference**

**26th & 27th April 2017. THEME** - Helping our Children and Grandchildren to know, love and serve God in these highly secularised times. **Venue** - Dominican Retreat Centre, Tallaght Village Dublin 24. Day only and overnight attendance options available. Inspiring talks, lively discussion - Speakers including Fr. Benny McHale Contact Connie at 098 24877 or [catholicgrandparents@gmail.com](mailto:catholicgrandparents@gmail.com)

#### **CITIZENS' CONVENTION Where Do I Find It?**

The entire proceedings of the convention are streamed live on [www.citizensassembly.ie](http://www.citizensassembly.ie). You can also tune in to them on RTE Now TV which is accessible on Saorview, on Sky Ireland, on the RTE App and other platforms. If you don't manage to see Bishop Leahy's presentation live it will be made available later on the website of the Irish Bishops' Conference, [catholicbishops.ie](http://catholicbishops.ie). The transcript of Bishop Leahy's talk will also be available on our diocesan website ([www.kilmorediocese.ie](http://www.kilmorediocese.ie)) and, later on, in pamphlet form.

**Aughnasheelin Church:** Saturday March 4th 8 15pm Special Youth Mass dedicated to the Youth and families of our Parish - all welcome. We now have a Facebook page for our Church - you can find us at St Marys Church Aughnasheelin.

**Youth 2000 Prayer Group:** Every Tuesday in the Adoration Chapel (behind main church) in Carrick-on-Shannon from 6-7pm for 18-35 year olds. Holy hour with music, scripture and rosary. Tea afterwards. Great chance to meet other young people in the Faith from across the county. For more info call Sean on 086-7342154

#### **Community Notices**

**Assorted Fitness Classes** In Ballinamore Sports Complex At 8pm : Thurs 2nd of March, Mon 6th of March

Thurs 9th of March, Mon 13th of March (if the Drama festival seats are still in the hall). For further information contact Michelle Fanning on 0879390980

#### **Ballinamore Drama Festival**

Reminder the Drama Festival opens in Ballinamore Community Centre on Sunday March 5 and continues nightly until Sunday March 12. The official opening will be performed by Seamus O'Rourke at 8pm and the Lifford Drama group will follow with Abigail's Party, a comedy play by Mike Leigh. So come along and let the party begin for a week of dramatics. On Monday we have the Tubbercurry Players performing the play, The Third Policeman penned by Flann O'Brien. The curtain opens nightly this year at the new time of 8pm.

#### **Drumshanbo Enterprise Centre**

We are currently taking names for an Introduction to Container Gardening and Garden Planning course. The classes will commence in March and run on Tuesdays from 10am until 2pm for five weeks. Courses are funded by Sligo Mayo Leitrim ETB. For more information or to book a place contact 0719641577 or [mbruen@drumshanboenterprise.ie](mailto:mbruen@drumshanboenterprise.ie)

**Monaghan Institute Open Day:** Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> March 2017, 11am- 7pm at Monaghan Education Campus, Armagh Road, Monaghan. Information available on 2017/18 courses. For further details or to apply on line visit [www.monaghaninstitute.ie](http://www.monaghaninstitute.ie) Tel 047-84900 All Welcome

**FARMERS:** Do you want to double YOUR ANC payments? The Irish Natura & Hill Farmers Association are holding a regional meeting to lobby attending MEPs TDs and Co Cllrs to ensure our region secures its proper share of funds in the current review of the Areas of Natural Constraint Scheme. It's vital that YOU come and make your view known at The Bee Park Centre, Manorhamilton on Friday 10th March @ 8pm. For more info call: 071 91 9302715

**Bundoran SVP Holiday Centre is now taking bookings 6 nights full board 220 Euro.Contact Georgina 0872434528.**

**Ballinamore Outreach Service** offers advice and support around various things including housing, social welfare, education/training, activities for children, support groups, parenting supports, personal development and Parent and Toddler Group. It is based in Ballinamore Library Wednesdays 12noon-1pm. For more information call Laura on 086 6035977.

**Ballinamore area swimming qualifer** will take place on Saturday 11th March in Aura Leisure Centre, Carrick on Shannon. Pre registration via text to Siobhan 0876674511. Entry fee 4 euro per child or 10 euro [if 3 or more children] payable at event. Competition starts at 7pm. The county finals will take place on Sunday 26th March in Aura Leisure Centre Carrick on Shannon. More info at [www.communitygames.ie](http://www.communitygames.ie).

**Aughnasheelin GAA :** Lotto Draw on Sunday night in Smiths Siopa OI - Jackpot €14,350. Anyone who has not paid their membership please contact Brendan Meehan. Scor Sinseair March 11th, please contact Brendan Reynolds.

**St. Patrick's Day Parade:** Includes The Kilturbrid Pipe Band, various prizes for different categories best on foot, best themed, most humorous, best window display, and many more. Any new ideas would be greatly welcomed. The theme this year is 'An Nuacht – make it your own'. Parade Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March assembling at the Tesco car park. All floats/groups are asked to meet at 3.30pm for the parade at 4pm. Enquires contact Dawn @ [0863115647](tel:0863115647) or David @ [086-0870456](tel:086-0870456) We would ask people with floats please please not to throw sweets out to parade goers on the day.. it is a safety hazard. As always any person willing to help should please contact the above.

#### **Oughteragh Gaels**

Our Ladies team kick off their Division 2 League campaign this Sunday, 5th March at 12pm in Ballinamore against Drumkeeran.

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