

OUGHTERAGH & DRUMREILLY LOWER PARISH NEWSLETTER

30th March 2025

Aughawillan - Aughnasheelin - Ballinamore & Corraleeahan

1st April St. Ceallach, 2nd St Francis of Paolo, 4th St Isidore & St Benedict, 5th St Vincent

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BALLINAMORE – St. PATRICK'S CHURCH

Mass times: Sat & Sun 11am, Mon 7pm Tue, Wed & Thur 7:30am Fri 9am

Sat 29th Mar 11am Alfie Vickery, Mary Cunnion, and Michael Cunnion

Sun 30th Mar 11am Michael & Maureen O'Hara (Ardrum)

Patrick & Margaret Wynne (Drumrane) and deceased family members

Eileen & Tony Maguire and son Paul

Sat 5th Apr 11am

Maria Harte-Hanifan and deceased members of the Harte, Hanifan & Kirby families

Sun 6th Apr 11am

Peggy Logan (Tully) 1st Anniversary

Michael & Brigie Kavanagh (Main Street)

Peter & Dolores O'Connell and deceased members of the Barry and O'Connell families



Eucharistic Adoration: Fridays 9.30am –10.30am

Eucharist Ministers 30th Mar Evelyn McHugh, Marian Sharpley & PJ McLoughlin, 6th Apr Brendan Sweeney & Ellis O'Dell, 13th Apr Michael Duignan, Peggy Ferguson & Máirín Martin.

Eucharistic Ministers during Lent: Mon: Patricia Griffin, Tues: Marian Quinn, Wed: Mona Creamer/Aileen Wisley, Thur: Alice Costello/Volunteer, Fri: Deirdre Harvey

Ministers of the Word 30th Mar Sylvia Dolan, 6th Apr Marie O'Connor, 13th Apr Gabriel Cronin

Door Collectors: 30th Mar & 6th Apr Francis McTague & Alan Banks 13th & 20th Apr John McWeeney, Michael Duignan, David Prior

AUGHNASHEELIN - St. MARY'S CHURCH

Mass times: Fri 7pm Sat 8:15pm

Mass Intentions

Sat 29th Mar 8:15pm John Joe & Mary Ann Gallagher (Knockacullion)

Fri 4th Apr 7pm Annie Tubman (Greaglass)

Sat 5th Apr 8:15pm Michael & Eileen Maguire (Gubnaveigh) and their sons Michael and Brendan

Katie & John Joe Gormley (Crimlin) and all deceased family members

Eucharistic Adoration: Wednesdays, 11am - 12noon and 8pm - 10pm

Eucharistic Ministers: 29th Mar & 5th Apr Margaret Murphy & Volunteer, 12th & 19th Apr Seamus Prior & Margaret McTeigue

April Readers John Maguire, Barbara Gunn & family

Door Collectors Sean McWeeney, Paddy Beirne, Michael McGirl

CORRALEECHAN - St. BRIGID'S CHURCH

Mass times: Wed 9:30am Sun 9.45am

Mass Intentions

Sun 30th Mar 9:45am No intention

Sat 5th Apr 7pm Sean Maguire (Drumderg) and all deceased family members

Eucharistic Ministers Carol McNiff & Bernie Dolan **Altar Society** Gillian McNiff & Anne Marie Maguire

Ministers of the Word Joanne Curnan & Phyllis McTague **Door Collectors** Brian McGovern & Paul Prior

AUGHAWILLAN – St. PATRICK'S CHURCH

Mass times: Wed 7pm Sat 7pm

Mass Intentions

Sat 29th Mar 7pm No Intention

Sun 6th Apr 9:45am Pat Sutherland (Drumreilly) and deceased members of the Sutherland & McGovern families

Eucharistic Ministers Des Quinn & Breege McCauley **Altar Society** Joan McBrien & Roisin Sexton-Smith

Ministers of the Word Niamh McBrien & Edel Shanley **Door Collectors** Morgan Quinn & Ciarán McBrien

CHANGE OF MASS TIMES: With Summer Time beginning this weekend, Mass in Corraleeahan church will be 7pm from Sat 5th Apr and Aughawillan on Sun 6th Apr at 9.45am. This arrangement will last until 1st weekend in October. No change in Aughnasheelin or Ballinamore.

RECENT DEATHS: We pray for Amelia McKeon (sister of Sean McKeon High St.) originally Foxwood, Aughnasheelin who recently died in New York, Patrick Wynne, (Corraleeahan and Birmingham) whose funeral will take place in St. Brigid's Church Corraleeahan on Fri 4th April at 12 noon. May their souls rest in peace.

RECENT BAPTISMS: Nora Mae Walsh who was received into the Christian Community through Baptism on Saturday last. Congratulations to her family on this joyous occasion.

THE SWEET SPIRIT COUNTRY GOSPEL SINGERS: under the direction of Tish Dunleavy will return to St Patrick's Church Aughawillan for a concert on Friday 11th April 2025 at 8pm. Proceeds to 'Aware' and Parish funds.

VISITATION OF THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND: Fr Sean and Fr Moses will visit the sick on Thurs 3rd Apr, and will be in contact with you in advance of their visit.

CATHOLIC MOTHERS IRELAND RETREAT DAY: Join us for a day of Spiritual Restoration, Inspiring Talks, Holy Mass, Prayer and Confession in Gillooly Hall, Sligo Town, Co. Sligo on Sat 3rd May. This all-day Retreat will run from 10am – 6pm. Email catholicmothers@outlook.ie for more information or to book your place.

JUBILEE YEAR OF HOPE IN OUR PARISH: The logo of our Jubilee year calls us to commit ourselves anew to the message of Jesus Christ, which gathers us from the 4 corners of the world around the cross that becomes an anchor offering stability, steadfastness, and hope in difficult times. We begin our jubilee with **“24 hours for the Lord”** consisting of Eucharistic Adoration and the availability of God’s mercy and forgiveness in the Sacrament of Reconciliation, Confession. This will begin with Eucharistic Adoration after the 11am mass on Sat April 12th in Ballinamore church and will conclude just before the 11am mass on Sun April 13th (Palm Sunday). As this will consist of 24 hours of adoration it is important to have a rota in place. A sign-up sheet will be available in each church inviting you to enter your name in the desired time slot.

ST PATRICKS CHURCH BALLINAMORE: along with the Cathedral of St. Patrick & Felim, Cavan, St. Anne’s Church, Bailieboro and St Clare’s Church, Manorhamilton have been decreed as Jubilee Churches. You can obtain a Jubilee Indulgence by visiting one of these sacred spaces. Leaflets with more information on the how to obtain the Jubilee Indulgence and how to participate in Special Jubilee Activities are available in each church porch.

PARISH MISSION: A parish mission will take place from October 19th - 24th 2025. It will be conducted by Net Ministries Ireland who are based in Ballybofey Co. Donegal. Please put these dates in your diary.

CEMETERY SUNDAY DATES: Corraleeahan: Sun July 27th mass at 12pm. Aughnasheelin: Sun Aug 3rd mass at 12pm. Aughawillan: Sun Aug.10th Mass at 9.45am. Oughteragh: Sun.Aug.17th mass 1pm. Priests Graves: Sept.7th

WAYS OF SUPPORTING the PARISH FINANCIALLY: The traditional way to support your parish is by contributing through your weekly envelope collection. Thanks to all who do so, so generously each week. In recent times some people set up a SO/EFT to pay, please contact parish office at **071 964 4039** / ballinamore@kilmorediocese.ie, or you scan the QRcode with your smartphone, <https://churchtv.ie/>, follow the links for your Church to make a donation. The light a candle feature lets you light a candle in Ballinamore Church from anywhere, 24/7.



COMMUNITY NOTES

AUGHAWILLAN DRAMA: present, **Big Splash Small Fish.** A side-splitting comedy by Jim Keane. On March 27th, 28th, 29th and 30th in Aughawillan Hall. N41 EO82. Doors Open 8pm. To book: Text 087-6486804 Tickets: €15, Curtain 8:30pm sharp.

AUGHNASHEELIN YELLOW RIVER PLAYERS: Present, **NOBODY’S TALKING TO ME.** A dramatic comedy, written by Tommy Marren. Final nights 28th & 29th of March, Curtain @ 8pm. Booking only on Eventbrite <https://shorturl.at/Yk5DI>

BALLINAMORE ATHLETIC CLUB: Training continues on Tues and Thurs at 7p.m. until Apr 10th with preparation for club, schools and Community Games competitions. Preparations underway for Club Anniversary Commemoration day on Bank Holiday Monday, 5th May.

AUGHNASHEELIN COMMUNITY CENTRE: Aughnasheelin hall committee meeting, on Tues Apr 1st at 9pm.

AUGHNASHEELIN ACTIVE RETIREMENT GROUP (AGE 50+ FOR MEN AND WOMEN): Interested in joining this new group in Aughnasheelin? This group has great plans for social activities, trips, being active, with new and exciting things to do, fostering community well-being and enabling members to get out and meet people in a social setting. Next get together Fri, Apr 4th, in the Community Centre at 11am. Tea and chat - All welcome.

CIORCAL NA MBAN: A bus is organised by the group to Bloom in the Phoenix Park Fri May 30th. If anyone in the community is interested in going there are group rate entry tickets available and seats available on the bus. Please get in touch - contact Shirley (086-6083516) before Mar 27th.

BALLINAMORE WALKING GROUP: Join our walking group, meeting every Tuesday at 10am at the basin near Supervalu. A weekly walk & talk with a friendly group of people. All welcome to join.

COMMUNITY SERVICES HUB in the Den, N41R522: every other Tuesday from 10am-12pm. Featuring information and signposting, free event, all welcome.

LEITRIM ADULT EDUCATIONAL GUIDANCE SERVICE: Are you an adult considering education and unsure of your options? The Leitrim Adult Educational Guidance Service will be in Ballinamore Library on Thurs 17th Apr from 10am to 1pm to answer any questions you might have. No appointment necessary, just come along on the day.

BALLINAMORE CAMINO: 12th July. Registration is through islandtheatre.ie

ISLAND THEATRE BALLINAMORE: Sun 6th Apr, Spring Easter Craft Fair, from 2-4pm. Free entry with many stalls including Makers, Bakers, Crafters and Creators at the annual craft fair, goods for sale. Sat 12th Apr, Little Bo Peep AND The Three Little Pigs, 2pm (doors 1.30pm) Tickets €12/15/45 + fees. Sat 19th Apr, Robert Mizzell €25+BF, 8pm.

YOU DON’T HAVE TO BE ADDICTED TO SUFFER FROM ADDICTION! M-PACT, a FREE eight-week family support programme. For the whole family, helping to improve relationships, communication and recovery.

If interested or would like further information please contact 071 9150578 / 085 875 9319 or email sligoleitrim@alcoholforum.com

REFLECTION

Gentle Jesus, compassionate and caring Good Shepherd, help me to follow You faithfully. Strengthen me daily with Your love, and guide me along life’s paths. Keep me free from every evil, protect me from sickness and danger, and lead me to serve You with all my mind and heart and soul. **Amen** Ref: thecatholiccrusade.com

ADDITIONAL PARISH AND COMMUNITY ITEMS

UPCOMING EVENT IN ST PATRICKS CHURCH, AUGHAWILLAN BALLINAMORE, N41CX27: Friday 11th April 8pm. The Sweet Spirit Country Gospel singers directed by Tish Dunleavy will perform some well know songs including Bob Dylan's 'To make you feel my love', & 'Blowing in the Wind', George Hamilton's 'Abilene', 'If I can dream' recorded by Elvis, 'I'll never find another you' recorded by Judith Durham & the Seekers, 'Lucky Old Sun' recorded by many artists in including Frank Sinatra and many more great pieces. Members of the group hail from Leitrim, Roscommon, Cavan & Longford. Come along and support the charity 'Aware' who provide supports for people suffering from depression and other mental health issues.

BALLINAMORE PRAYER GROUP: 8pm on Tuesdays at the Parish Centre. Come along and invite your friends.

RETREAT: A one day retreat entitled "**Meeting God in Prayer and Scripture**", given by Sr Susan Dougherty, MSHR will take place in the Pastoral Centre, Cullies, Cavan on **Sunday 6th April 2025**. Commencing at 10.00 am, the day will include the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Holy Mass, and conclude around 5.00pm. The fee of €50 also covers lunch and breaks. For further info / to book please contact **Eileen** at **086 2426699** as soon as possible. (Organised by Kilmore Apostolic Work Society)

PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 2025: Kilmore Diocese Pilgrimage to Lourdes led by Bishop Martin Hayes. From 30th May for 5 nights, Tel: 049-4361222 or email, info@cavantravel.com

IMPORTANT DATES FOR 2025:

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION:

Aughawillan: Sun 4th May @ 9.45am Ballinamore: Sat 17th May @ 12pm Aughnasheelin: Sun 18th May @ 12 pm

BOOKING ANNIVERSARY MASSES: As you are aware we have shared mass intentions in our churches at the weekends. We try to limit the number of intentions to a maximum of three. To maintain this arrangement please book anniversary masses well in advance of your preferred time. Priests are allowed one mass stipend or donation per day, when we have shared intentions the extra donations are sent to retired or missionary Priests, who celebrate the extra Masses. Please book your Masses via email ballinamore@kilmorediocese.ie or phone **071 964 4039**

THE YOUNG PARENTS SUPPORT PROGRAMME: offers support to young parents who are expecting a baby or already have a child. This support can include but not limited to pre- and post-natal support, independent living and education/training. This is a free and confidential service. If you would like to get involved contact: lindahalstead@homeyouthliaisonservice.ie or 087 7917000

PRE-MARRIAGE COURSE Dates 2025: Next date is Friday 11th April 2025 7.30pm–10pm & Saturday 12th April 10 am–5pm. Friday 10th October 2025 7.30pm – 10.00pm & Saturday 11th Oct 10am–5pm. Courses take place in the Kilmore Diocesan Pastoral Centre, Cavan H12 E5C7. To book: www.accord.ie

FAMILY CARERS IRELAND: Are you caring for a loved one at home with additional needs? A spouse, partner, child, close relative or neighbour? Then you are a family carer! Become a member of Family Carers Ireland, the national charity supporting Ireland's 500,000+ family carers nationwide. Contact 057 93 70221 and hear how we can support you or for more info visit www.familycarers.ie.

LEITRIM ALZHEIMER CAFÉ: Free Information Café, 4th Thursday of every month. Commercial Hotel, Ballinamore. Contact Mary 087 0024190.

SCOIL CHLANN NAOFA, BALLINAMORE: is accepting applications for admission to our school for the 2025/26 school year. Please contact **071 964 5001** or email info@coilchlannaofa.com for an enrolment pack. Thank you.

AUGHAWILLAN N.S. are now taking Enrolments for September 2025. Enrolment forms are now available by e-mailing: aughawillanns@gmail.com or contacting the office on 071 9644246.

ST. MARY'S N.S. AUGHNASHEELIN: is now accepting enrolments for September 2025. Enrolment forms are available by contacting the school at, 071 9644868 or by email to, office@stmarysnaughnasheelin.com

AUGHAWILLAN WHIST: second Tues of the month at 8:30pm. New members always welcome.

BALLINAMORE WHIST DRIVE: first Thurs of each month at 8:30pm in the Island Theatre. New members welcome.

BALLINAMORE GREENWAY PARKRUN & WALK. each Saturday at 9.30am - looking forward to seeing you there.

RSS APPLICATIONS: The Rural Social Scheme application forms will soon be available for completion by anybody who is in receipt of a long term SW payment and wishes to work on the RSS, tel: 071-9641770, or online at ldco.ie

AUGHNASHEELIN DEVELOPMENT GROUP: The Gathering Event happens May 24th, celebrating community and heritage. As part of this great weekend, a scheduled event takes place in Aughnasheelin on 24th May, with traditional food workshops, our community coffee morning and vintage farm equipment. Special focus on the 1960s Aughnasheelin Water Scheme. Not to be missed - tell your friends and family to save the date.

SENIORLINE: a national telephone service for older people open every day 10am-10pm, Freephone **1800 80 45 91**. SeniorLine's older volunteers are trained to listen, to support, to discuss options and to other helpful services.

THE RURAL SOCIAL SCHEME: has vacancies in the local Area. To participate in the Scheme an individual must be in receipt of an eligible Social Welfare payment such as Farm Assist, Job Seekers Allowance or Disability Allowance, The Individual or Family Member must have access to an active Herd Number. Please contact Gerry on **086 771 6896** or Leitrim Development Company on **071 964 1770** or Email schemes@ldco.ie for more information.

TEMPLEPORT SOCIAL SERVICES-DAY CENTRE: on Wednesdays. Usual transport schedule. Any queries contact Ann Maguire **087 765 5096** or Anne Smith **087 285 7471**. Looking forward to seeing you all

LEITRIM CALLING'- befriending visitation project seek Volunteers to provide a home visit for one hour per week. The Volunteer will be matched with an older person (client) in the Ballinamore area and through mutual interests. The Volunteer will be provided with full training. The Volunteer will be introduced to the client by the Coordinator on the first visit and then will continue as suits all. Please apply on www.ivol.ie or contact Claire @ claire@volunteerleitrim.ie

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