

OUGHTERAGH / DRUMREILLY LOWER PARISH NEWSLETTER

9th February 2025

Aughawillan - Aughnasheelin - Ballinamore & Corraleeahan

10th Feb St Scholastica, 11th Feb St Gobnait, World day of prayer for the sick, Our Lady of Lourdes

14th St Cyril, St Methodius & St Valentine

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BALLINAMORE – St. PATRICK'S CHURCH

Mass times: Sun 11am, Tues, Thurs & Fri 9am, Mon & Wed 7pm. (No mass Sat 8th Feb)

Sun 9th Feb 11am Padraig Flanagan (Church St.) his parents Rita & John James Flanagan (Lisacarn) Annie Flanagan (Tráthnóna) and Jimmy Flanagan
Fri 14th Feb 9am Annie & Jim Fox and deceased members of the Fox and Flood families.
Sat 15th Feb 12 noon Gerard Cumiskey (Months Mind)
Sun 16th Feb 11am People of the Parish

Eucharistic Adoration: Fridays 9.30am –10.30am

Eucharist Ministers 9th Feb Michael Duingan, Peggy Ferguson, Máirín Martin, 16th Feb Thomas Kelly, Gerard McCartin & Deirdre Harvey, 23rd Feb Patricia Griffin, James Maguire & James Óg Maguire.

Ministers of the Word 9th Feb Alan Banks, 16th Feb Leigh Murphy, 23rd Feb Raymond McHugh

Door Collectors: 9th Feb Padraig McGovern & Brian McWeeney,
16th & 23rd Feb Brendan Sweeney & Sean Kavanagh.

AUGHNASHEELIN - St. MARY'S CHURCH

Mass times: Fri 7pm & Sat 8:15pm

Mass Intentions

Fri 7th 7pm Seamus McWeeney (Miskawn)
Sat 8th 12 noon Mary Harvey (Knockacullion) Months Mind
Sat 8th 8:15pm Aileen & Frank Flynn (Derrynawana) and Tom Joe Flynn (Drumenaun)
Pat McGovern (Gubnaveigh and Ballinasloe) and deceased members of the McGovern and Burns families.
Sat 15th 8:15pm Bridie McTeigue & Aidan McTeigue and their daughter Mary.
Rita McTeigue and Maisie Lyons and all deceased members of the McTeigue family.
Michael Sammon.

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

Eucharistic Ministers: 1st & 8th Feb, Maura Mulvey & Maureen Conway

Readers - Shirley Sammon & Maureen Keaney

Door Collectors - John Pat Creamer & James McCaffrey

CORRALEECHAN - St. BRIGID'S CHURCH

Mass times: Wed 9:30am Sun 9.45am

Mass Intentions

Sun 9th Feb 9:45am No intention
Sun 16th Feb 9:45am No intention

Eucharistic Ministers Teresa Maxwell, Annie McManus Altar Society Joanne Curnan, Bernie Dolan

Ministers of the Word Claire McNiffe, Laurence Fee Door Collectors Packie Maguire, Michael McGovern

AUGHAWILLAN – St. PATRICK'S CHURCH

Mass times: Sat 7pm

Mass Intentions

Sat 8th Feb 7pm Joe Donohoe (Drumreilly, Garadice)
Sat 15th Feb 7pm Kevin Mc Govern (Lisgrudy)

Eucharistic Ministers Sinead Kiernan & Bernadette Mahon Altar Society Bernadette Mahon & Caroline McGovern

Ministers of the Word Kate McCauley & Aisling Quinn Door Collectors Charlie Kelly & Patsy McGovern

RECENT DEATHS: We pray for Conrad Delaney, Church View, Aughnasheelin, and Michael Caulfield, Belfast who died during the week. May their souls rest in peace.

RECENT BAPTISMS: We welcome into the Parish Community Aoife Brigid Mc Tague who was christened last Saturday. Congratulations to her family on this joyous occasion.

THANKS Thank you to all our sacristans and all who provided assistance so that the celebration of Mass could continue in our churches, when we were without electricity.

CHURCH ENVELOPES 2025 are available for collection in all churches. It would be appreciated if you would kindly collect your box of envelopes at your earliest convenience as they have been in use since the 5th January. Perhaps you would like to take one for your neighbour. If you are new to the parish please call the Parish Office on 071-9644039 or email, ballinamore@kilmorediocese.ie and we can assign you your own church envelopes. CHY3 forms are available in each church porch. They can be returned to the parish office. Thank you.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING on Wed, 12th February at 8pm in the Parish Centre.

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

BENEFIT CONCERT: Michael English charity performance on Thurs 20th Feb at 8pm, in the Cathedral of St Patrick & St Felim, Cavan. This is a fundraising event in aid of The Assisted Pilgrimage to Lourdes Fund. Tickets for this unmissable night cost €30 and are available from 049-4331404 or 087-9170879 and online from Eventbrite.

MEETING FOR PARENTS: Information meeting for parents of First Communion children on Tuesday 11th of February at 8pm in St. Brigid's Parish Centre Convent Road, N41 XY 88

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE SICK: takes place on the feast of Our Lady of Lourdes 11th Feb. In this Jubilee Year Pope Francis invites us to become "Pilgrims of Hope." The word of God accompanies us and offers us in the words of St. Paul, an encouraging message. "Hope does not disappoint. (Rom 5:5). Indeed it strengthens us in times of trial."

THE BOOK OF FENAGH: Bishop McKiernan memorial lecture, Thurs 13th Feb at 7pm in Cavan Library. Dr Brendan Scott will speak about 'The Book of Fenagh, 1516 - an important Breifne manuscript'.

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.



AN EVENING OF PRAYER AND HEALING: led by Fr John Walsh (Limerick) will take place in St Brigid's Church Killygarry, Cavan on Thursday February 13th. Confessions from 6.15pm, Rosary from 7pm with Holy Mass at 7.30pm. Concluding with the laying on of hands and Benediction. Water, salt and oil will be blessed on the night.

COMMUNITY NOTES

ATHLETIC CLUB: Some club members will be competing in the Connacht Indoor Championships in Athlone next weekend. Training continues on Tuesday and Thursday at 7pm., with new members enrolled each evening.

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@scoilchlannaofa.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 Day will take place on Wednesday 19th February, from 10:00am to 12.30pm, when we look forward to welcoming prospective students and their families to our school. Enrolment forms are available by contacting the school at, 071 9644868 or by emailing the school at, office@stmarysnaughnasheelin.com

CIORCAL NA MBAN GROUP: Mindful Sleep workshop. Mon 10th Feb at 7pm, Aughnasheelin Community Hall.

SOCIAL DANCE: Aughnasheelin Community Centre. Friday 21st February. Music by the amazing Limelight. Doors open 9pm, dancing 9.30pm to 11.30pm. Refreshments served. Everyone 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.

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.

LEITRIM PPN OUTREACH CLINIC: in Ballinamore Library on Thurs 13th Feb from 10 to 1. Groups are invited to send a member along to learn more about what the PPN do. We will have the Humanitarian Assistance Scheme forms, if anyone wishes to get one. We will also have a list of grants available. All PPN registered group members welcome and if your group is not registered come along to find out more. PPN Co-ordinator Mary 086 4411571

BALLINAMORE MUSICAL SOCIETY PRESENTS: Sister Act, the musical. At the Island Theatre, Ballinamore.

Nightly at 8pm on February 21st, 22nd, 23rd, 26th, 28th, and March 1st. Tickets available at islandtheatre.ie

DRAMA FESTIVAL BALLINAMORE: From 2nd – 9th March, Drama Festival. Line up announced, Sun 2nd Mar The Dry House - Pomoroy Players, Mon 3rd Mar, Drama - free night, Tues 4th Mar The Weir - Upstage Players, Wed 5th Mar, The Last Days of Judas Iscariot - Clontarf Players, Thurs 6th Mar, A Whistle in the Dark - Corn Mill Theatre Group, Fri 7th Mar, Skylight - Wexford Drama Group, Sat 8th Mar, The Weir - Corofin Dramatic Society, Sun 9th Mar, Class - Glenamaddy Players. Season tickets and nightly tickets available from Murphy's Newsagents, or on the door.

LEITRIM FLEADH 2025 - Ballinamore will host this year's Fleadh event from April 25th - 27th. Entries are now being taken and the **closing date is strictly Friday March 7th** for competition entries which are available online or contact, Laisir Gilbride (Ballinamore CCE) - laisirgilbride@hotmail.com / 086-179-2121.

MOHILL COMPUTER TRAINING: Evening Computer Course for beginners starting in late February. From 7pm to 9pm on Tuesday and Thursday each week in the Mohill Enterprise Centre. Leading to a Major Award - Certificate in Information and Communication Technologies. Contract - 0719632024 or email info@mct.ie to book your place now.

REFLECTION

And so the person who knows their own need and Christ's grace will not say, 'Depart from me for I am sinful,' but instead say, 'Leave me never, nor forsake me, for I am sinful, O Lord; but in Thee I have forgiveness and righteousness.'

Ref: Biblehub.com

All New items for the Newsletter should be dropped into the Parish Office, Convent Road or emailed before 12 noon on Thursdays to ballinamore@kilmorediocese.ie - the editor reserves the right to edit or omit items according to suitability of content & space in the newsletter

COMMUNITY SERVICES HUB in the Den, N41R522: Join us every other Tuesday from 10am-12pm. Featuring information and signposting, free refreshments, a space to talk and socialise, sewing and mending clothes, basic bike repairs and a swap shop (clothes, toys, books and plants). The event is free and everyone is welcome. Upcoming dates: 11th & 25th Feb, 11th & 25th March.

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

CIORCAL NA MBAN GROUP: is up and running again in Aughnasheelin Community Centre, with lots of interesting activities planned for the year ahead. This month's activities include mindfulness workshops, pickle ball, St Brigid's Cross copper workshop. New members always welcome.

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**

JUBILEE YEAR 2025: In preparation for the Jubilee Year 2025, themed Pilgrims of Hope, which officially began on Christmas Eve at 7.00pm with the opening of the Holy Door at Saint Peter's Basilica in Rome, the Catholic Bishops of Ireland have launched an official Jubilee page on **CatholicBishops.ie**. This dedicated page will serve as a central hub for all Jubilee-related updates about events and activities taking place both in Ireland and around the world.

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: Fri 7th Feb 7.30pm–10pm & Sat 8th 10am– 5 pm. 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

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.

IMPORTANT DATES FOR 2025:

CONFIRMATION: will be celebrated Sat 15th of March in Ballinamore Church @ 11am

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: Aughawillan: Sun 4th May @ 9.45am

Ballinamore: Sat 17th May @ 12pm

Aughnasheelin: Sun 18th May @ 12 pm

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Laisir Gilbride (Ballinamore CCÉ) - laisirgilbride@hotmail.com / 086-179-2121

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Patricia Lee (Drumsna CCÉ) - patricialeee030@gmail.com / 087-631-5769

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TEMPLEPORT SOCIAL SERVICES-DAY CENTRE: on Wednesdays. Usual transport schedule. Any queries contact Ann Maquire **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

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.

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

5 STEP SUPPORT SERVICE: Are you affected by the misuse of alcohol or other drugs by another individual? 5 Step Support can help you; it is a free, non-judgemental, one-one consultation service. Putting your needs and wellbeing first, helping you manage stressful, difficult and emotional issues. You don't have to be addicted to suffer from addiction! **M-PACT** supports the whole family, helping to improve relationships, communication and recovery. If you would like further information please contact **071 9150578** or **085 875 9319** or email sligoleitrim@alcoholforum.com

MUVE HEALTHCARE provides homecare services in the local area. If you are looking for a carer or nurse for your relative or loved one, please contact Caroline O'Neill, Head of Homecare on **089 611 1647** for more details. Our website is www.muvehealthcare.ie

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