

BALLINAMORE & DRUMREILLY LOWER PARISH NEWSLETTER

21st July 2024

16th Sunday in OT

*Feast Days: 22nd July St Mary Magdalene 23rd St Bridget of Sweden Patron of Europe,
24th St Declan, 25th St James Apostle & St Christopher*

26th St Joachim & Anne Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary 27th St Titus Brandsma

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Join us live, @ churchtv.ie Select Leitrim, then Aughawillan, Aughnasheelin, Ballinamore or Corraleehan

Ballinamore Church: St Patricks Church

Sat & Sun 11am, Mon & Weds 7 pm, Tues, Thurs & Fri 9am

Sun 21st July 11 am Trevor Martin (Lahard)
Ann Marie Power and Ambrose Canning

Sat 27th July 11 am Bernadette Dolan 1st Anniversary
Fiona Duignan (Kiltymooden)

Sun 28th July 11 am Tommy McCormack (Spike) 5th Anniversary

Eucharistic Adoration: Fridays 9.30am –10.30am

Eucharist Ministers: 21st July Brendan Sweeney, Tommy Moran, & Eilis O'Dell 28th July Michael Duignan and Peggy Ferguson 4th Aug Thomas Kelly and Gerard Mc Cartin 11th Aug Patricia Griffin & James & James Óg Maguire

Ministers of the Word: 21st July Patricia McGoldrick 28th July Philomena Earley 4th August Patricia Griffin

Door Collectors: 21st July Group 1 John Galligan and Sean McKeon 28th July & 4th August Group 2

CONFESSIONS AVAILABLE: Saturdays after the 11am Mass in Ballinamore Church, and on request at any time.

Aughnasheelin, St. Mary's Church:

Fri 7pm & Sat 8:15 pm

Mass Intentions

Fri 19th July 8:15 pm Eva Gannon (Aughacashel) 1st Anniversary

Terence, Brigid and Janette Shanley (Cornabainne) and also Maura Billington, and all deceased members of the Shanley and Prior families

Fri 26th July 7 pm Kathleen & Sonnie Keaney (Miskawn) and deceased members of the Gildea & Keaney family

Sat 27th July 8:15 pm Micheal Prior (Gubnaveigh) his parents Celia & Micheal Prior & all deceased family members

Eucharist Ministers: 20th & 27th July Seamus Prior & Margaret McTeigue 4th & 10th Aug Sharon O'Dowd & Brendan

Sammon **Ministers of the Word:** Bernie Prior & Karen Walsh **Door Collectors:** Ollie Cull and Jerome McWeeney

Corraleehan St. Brigid's Church:

Wed 9:30 am & Sun 12pm

Mass Intentions

Sat 20th July 7 pm People of the Parish

Sun 12 noon

Cemetery Sunday

Eucharistic Adoration: Wednesday 10 am to 4pm & 6pm to 8pm

July-Eucharist Ministers: Annie McManus & Teresa Maxwell

Altar Society: Kathleen & Phylis McTague

Ministers of the Word: Sean Mc Govern & Volunteer

Door Collectors: Declan McNiffe and John Carthy

Aughawillan St Patrick's Church:

Sun 9:45 am

Mass Intentions

Sun 21st July 9:45 am Geraldine Forde (Aughawillan)

Sun 28th July 9:45am John Stretton (Boeshill) and deceased family members

July-Eucharist Ministers: Patricia Deane and Des Quinn

Altar Society: Margaret Maguire & Eileen McTeague

Ministers of the Word: Teresa McManus and James Stringer

Door Collectors: Gene Maguire and Seamus Quinn

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

RECENT DEATHS: please pray for John Gilheany (Kiltymooden), Teresa Mahon Rantogue mother of Bernadette Stringer, and Dessie O'Rourke (Corraleehan & England) funeral arrangements later and all the faithful departed.

May they rest in peace

DATES FOR PARISH OF OUGHTERAGH AND LOWER DRUMREILLY - CEMETERY SUNDAY:

Corraleehan Sunday 28th July at Mass at 12 noon, Aughnasheelin Sunday 4th Aug Mass at 12 noon,

Aughawillan Sunday 11th Aug Mass at 9:45 am, & Ballinamore Sunday 18th Aug 1pm in Oughteragh Cemetery

Please bring Holy water with you to bless your families Graves

KILMORE DIOCESAN PTAA BUS TO KNOCK TODAY SUNDAY 21st JULY FOR PIONEER SUNDAY and 125 year celebrations of the association. Fare €15. Bus starts Ballyconnell 8am Staghall 8.10am Cavan Cathedral 8.25am

Lavey Inn 8.45am Ballinagh 9.20 Granard 9.45am. To book a seat contact Rosaleen Smith **087 2450692**

JOIN ARCHBISHOP FRANCIS DUFFY AND DANA: in Ballintuber Abbey on Sunday August 4th to rekindle the fire of faith and walk in the footsteps of our ancestors, who suffered and sacrificed much to keep the flame of faith burning bright in our country. Rosary 1.15pm, 2pm Holy Mass, 3pm Eucharistic Healing service. The organisers are asking everyone to make a big effort to join them on the day as a witness to our faith and to pray for the fire of faith to burn brightly again in our country. For further information contact lightthefireaug24@gmail.com or **087 947 7256**

MINISTERIES: Please note that while we appreciate greatly the many volunteers who give of their time in providing an essential service in our churches, it is important that they are present at their allocated times, if unavailable please contact another minister to deputise for your absence.

ALZHEIMER'S TEA DAY at the home of James & Kathleen McTague - Thank you for joining us. your support was truly appreciated, and we were thrilled to have you. Thanks again for making it a huge success with **€1075.00 raised.**

KILMORE DIOCESAN APOSTOLIC WORK SOCIETY: in order to raise funds to support our Missionaries, the Society is to hold a raffle with many valuable prizes to be won on Sunday 1st of September. Tickets are €5 each or three for €10 and are available in this area from Ann O'Hara of Church Street Tel. **087 6218684** Many thanks.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK SHRINE: Bishop Martin Hayes invites all parishioners throughout the diocese of Kilmore to attend the annual diocesan pilgrimage to Knock Shrine on Friday the 9th of August, the Feast of St Felim - the Patron Saint of the Diocese. Ceremonies begin at 2pm with the Stations of the Cross and Rosary Procession. The Celebration of Mass with the Anointing of the Sick will take place at 3pm and the Ceremony will conclude with a Eucharistic Procession and Benediction. Parishioners from St Anne's Church, Bailieborough, will participate in the liturgy and provide the Sacred Music for the special ceremony. **A bus will be arranged to pick up pilgrims from the pastoral area, leaving Ballinamore at 9am on the 9th of August, to book a seat contact Mary 087 754 1234** Cost €15

COMMUNITY NOTES

ATHLETIC CLUB: Good luck to Setanta Gleeson and David Townsend competing in All Irelands in Tullamore today. Entries are being taken online through Eventmaster for Club Festival 10K & 5K Open Road races on Sun August 11th

AUGHNASHEELIN AUGUST BANK HOLIDAY PLANS: are in progress for the traditional Aughnasheelin weekend.

Saturday morning - something for everyone, the Parent & Toddler group are hosting an Adventure Buggy Walk at 11am, Ciorcal na mBan are hosting a coffee morning, including a farmers market and cake sale from 11am-1pm.

Sunday at 12 pm Mass and blessing of the graves followed by refreshments in the Community Centre.

Aughnasheelin Development Group will hold a fundraising **Table Quiz on Sunday evening at 7.30pm until 9pm** and

Bank Holiday Monday Aughnasheelin GAA Club will host the Family Fun Day from 2-5pm. throughout the weekend there will be a Car Treasure Hunt competition which people can do at their leisure, the winners will be selected on the family fun day. Let's hope the sun shines and we can catch up, reminisce and make new friends.

NORTH WEST STEM FEST: Mr. Math Weeney is running THE creative experience for teens in Science, Technology, Engineering and Math's again this summer. It's suitable for boys and girls of all abilities aged 12 to 17. 10am to 3pm each day. Carrigallen 22nd - 26th July. Ballinamore 22nd - 26th July. Ballinamore (2) 29th July - 2nd Aug. Cost €129 with discounts available. Contact Seán on **089 959 6278** for more details.

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

BALLINAMORE WALKING GROUP: Join our new 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.

BALLINAMORE LIBRARY SUMMER STAR PROGRAMME IS IN FULL SWING. To coincide with the programme, a number of Free Events have been organised as follows. **Story-time** on Saturday 27th July at 11am age 0-5yrs.

Canvas Bag Making with Hullabaloo on Tues 13th of August 2024 at 1pm. and **Children's Book-Club** on Thursday 15th August at 12pm-12.30pm. All events are FREE and all children are welcome to attend, but places are limited so booking is important. Also **Free "Little Library Bag"** for all children starting school in September '24. Children can pick up their bags by calling in anytime. For info. Drop in, call **071 964 5566** or email ballinamorelibrary@leitrimcoco.ie

ADULTS: CHAIR EXERCISES WITH DILLON: Ballinamore Library with DK Personal Training on the following dates: Tuesday 23rd July & 30th July at 12.30pm-1.30pm. To obtain more information about any of the events, you can phone us **071 9645566**, drop into the Library or email us on ballinamorelibrary@leitrimcoco.ie to book a class

QQI LEVEL 5 COMPUTER COURSE – SEPTEMBER 2024: Are you looking to upskill, gain employment or access third level education? Then we have the course just for you. Mohill Computer Training are now enrolling for our full – time QQI Level 5 computer course, register now and call **071 963 2024** or email margaret@mct.ie for information.

MSLETB FAMILY LEARNING PROGRAMME are offering a FREE Family Art Camp for 5 years and over, in The Old Vocational School Ballinamore, Mon 29th July – Thurs 1st August. 10am - 12pm. The camp is 3 days art with Noreen and 1 craft day with Mo from Hullabaloo. Children must be accompanied by a family member (Parent, Grandparent, Aunt, Uncle or Guardian) Please contact Niamh to book your place **086 077 9362** or email familylearning@msletb.ie

FRIENDS & CONCERNED COMMUNITY MEMBERS: the 11 families in Carraig Accommodation Centre facing eviction have been informed of a stay on their eminent eviction, eviction is still an issue and this is only a stay. CATU members are willing to assist highlight this situation to local public representatives and letters of support are being sought from local community members, copies of which will be available on **Saturday 20th July in the Leitrim School of Art at 1pm**, drop by for a chat or contact sligoleitrim@catuireland.org for information

SING TOGETHER at the ISLAND THEATRE Monthly drop-ins **11am-12.30pm**. Pay as you go/can **27th July & 10th Aug 2024**. Call Sarah for more information **087 762 0523** / sarah@sarahgarden.ie. Everyone is welcome and you don't need to an experienced singer, this is a chance to sing songs from every genre.

THANK YOU TO THE LOCAL GOOD SAMARITAN: who helped out Joe McCool when his bike was stolen from the marina in Ballinamore last week, and also thanks to Sergeant Damien Guckian and team for finding our stolen bike and returning it to us. Your kindness is deeply appreciated.

A REFLECTION ON KINDNESS

Kindness is the language that the deaf can hear and the blind can see. If you choose between being kind and being right, choose being kind and you will always be right. Be kind to unkind people: they need it most. Everyone you meet today, you can take it, will be fighting a battle you know nothing about so be kind. On single word can change a person's entire life. Do one act of kindness each day of the year and change the lives of 365 people. For anyone serious about living the Christian life radically three steps are required:

Step 1. Be kind to the person next to you. Step 2. (equally important) be kind. Step 3. Be Kind.

Fr Terence Sherrington, Capuchin Friary, Priorswood.

SEAN O HESLINS: The Club has just launched the Ballinamore Sean O'Heslins App, Search for "Ballinamore SOH GAA" in your App Store or Playstore. This App is where to see fixtures, check results, view club notes, get updates about upcoming events, and the app hosts a ticket purchasing section – where you can enter our new fortnightly 50:50 draw. The first giveaway takes place on Saturday 27th July - and will replace our current monthly draw. Minimum jackpot on 27th is €2,000. Download the app to enter the draw, or otherwise tickets from usual outlets.

THE SEASON OF CREATION FROM 1st SEPTEMBER TO 4th OCTOBER 2024. Pope Francis is calling on all of us to take action during this time. There are many things that your parish can do to mark this event and there are resources below for you to explore. If you require any support from the Diocesan Kilmore Care of Creation Group, please do not hesitate to contact us. [Resources - Season of Creation](#) Patricia Keenan - Kilmore Care of Creation

DIGITAL SKILLS SUPPORT CLASSES: Ballinamore Library provides one-to-one digital support to adults using their own devices such as iPads, smartphones, tablets, and laptops. This service is available free and is to assist people in using digital technology class on Fri. 10am-5pm. Call **071 964 5566** or email ballinamorelibrary@leirimcoco.ie to book

LAY PASTORAL MINISTRY PROGRAMME IN KILMORE DIOCESE: Following feedback from Parish meetings across the Diocese in Autumn 2023, Bishop Martin and the team are delighted to announce that plans are well underway for developing (in conjunction with St. Patrick's Maynooth) our Lay Pastoral Ministry Training Programme. This training programme aims to equip lay leaders with the skills to work in Parishes/Pastoral areas as Lay Pastoral workers. Information meetings are being scheduled across the Diocese for September. More details to follow.

ACCORD NOW SEEKING MARRIAGE PREPARATION FACILITATORS. Might this be you? Accord Catholic Marriage Care Service CLG is currently recruiting volunteers to train as marriage preparation programme facilitators. If you: are supportive of marriage in the Catholic Church; and have the enthusiasm to be part of the Accord team that supports couples preparing for the Sacrament of Marriage ... then Accord wishes to hear from you! An Accord marriage preparation facilitator is a personally fulfilling leadership role, blending life experience and faith. Successful applicants will receive professional training and be part of a team delivering marriage preparation programs locally. Contact Aisling on **01 505 3112** or email marriagepreparation@accord.ie and further information see 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 offer helpful services.

SOCIAL SOLO NETWORK: Do you enjoy and getting out of the house? If you had people to go with? Then Social Solo might be for you, we are a county-wide social network for over 55's who are feeling socially isolated and lonely for many different reasons and want to get out and meet new friends. We hold a number of larger events each year, for people to meet each other and then people can contact each other outside of the group and meet up. We also have a WhatsApp group, where people can share events and see if anyone wants to go to them. Contact Anna McTiernan **086 4073492** or annamctiernan@ldco.ie for information or bookings. All welcome!

WHERE IS MY MIND? - LIVE TOUR 2024 - WITH NIALL 'BRESSIE' BRESLIN: Saturday 19th Oct 2024, @ 7.45pm After a sensational run of sold out shows in 2023, Niall "Bressie" Breslin is bringing his multi-award-winning 'Where is My Mind?' podcast on the road again in October Tickets on our website islandtheatre.ie and at niallbreslin.com.

BOOKING ANNIVERSARIES 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 donation is 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**

GENTLE REMINDER: to update your church contributions for 2024. Offertory contributions for the upkeep of your church are made payable to the local church. All Dues contributions towards salaries for priests are made payable to Ballinamore Catholic Church No.2 ACC



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MEDJUGORJE IRISH CENTRE PILGRIMAGES - OCT 2024: 7 Nights B&B from €273 per person sharing. Airport transfer available on request. Contact us for details Tel. **01 4434510** Medjugorje: **00387 36 651 518** Ireland: **0353 1 443 4510** or email: reservations@med-irishcentre.com and Website: www.med-irishcentre.com

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

REMAINING DATES DIOCESE OF KILMORE PRE-MARRIAGE COURSE 2024: Fri 11th Oct. 7.30pm – 10 pm & Sat 12th Oct. 10 am – 5 pm *It is planned that the above courses will take place Face to Face. Courses will take place in the Pastoral Centre, Cullies, Cavan, H12 E5 C7. To book a course please log on to: www.accord.ie

CAREER IN CARING FOR THE ELDERLY: Home Instead are always looking to recruit Caregivers. Whether you can work a couple of hours a week or want to work full time, we would like to hear from you. Experience and FETAC/QQI level 5 qualification in healthcare is an advantage but not compulsory as training is provided. Please contact Seyi or Ciara on **(071) 9317051** or recruitment-admin.sligo@homeinstead.ie.for more information.

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.

ALONE IS LOOKING FOR VISITATION VOLUNTEERS: in your area to make befriending visits to older people looking for extra social contact for 1 hr per week. ***Volunteers needed*** would you provide companionship visit or make friendly calls to Older People once a week for an hour or two? ALONE are seeking volunteers in your area. Full training and support provided, if interested please sign up here: <https://alone.ie/volunteers/> for more information, contact Sinead on Sinead.Flanagan@alone.ie on **086 192 1505** and leave a message with your name and contact number and I will phone you back.