

BALLINAMORE & DRUMREILLY LOWER PARISH NEWSLETTER

Sunday 28th November 2021

First Sunday of Advent



Feast Days, Nov 29th All Franciscan Saints, Nov 30th St Andrew the Apostle,
December 1st World Aids Day, 3rd St Francis Xavier

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"St. Patrick's Ballinamore, St. Mary's Aughnasheelin or St Brigid's Corraleehan"

Ballinamore St. Patrick's Church:

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

Mass Intentions

Sat 27th Nov 11 am Alan Harvey and Ciaran Harvey (Dromore) whose anniversaries occur at this time

Sun 28th Nov 11 am Dermot and Bernadette Spollen

Bridie McTernan (High Street)

Martin & Margaret Gaffney (15 Sheena, Drumkeeran) and their Daughter Bernadette Gaffney

Wed 1st Dec. 7 pm Mass and final month of the yearlong Novena to St Joseph

Sun 5th Dec 11 am Christine Maxwell (Dromore) **Months Mind**

Eucharist Ministers Nov 28th Michael Darcy, Meave Sharpley, & Noel Dolan

Ministers of the Word Nov 28th Aoife Sweeney, Dec 5th Michael Dolan Dec 12th Marie Sweeney Dec 19th Thomas

Kelly Christmas Eve Sylvia Dolan and Christmas Day PJ McLoughlin, Dec 26th Gabriel Cronin

Door Collectors Nov 28th & 5th Dec Seamus McTague, Michael Gillen, PJ Duignan and Eugene Maxwell

Eucharistic Adoration suspended while work continues in the Prayer Room

Aughnasheelin, St. Mary's Church:

Friday, and Saturday at 1pm and 7pm

Mass Intentions

Sat 27th Nov 1 pm Mary Murray (Kiltybarden) **Months Mind**

Sat 27th Nov 7 pm Packi and Lucy Gallagher (Knocknacullion)

Pee and Kathleen Roddy (Drumany) and deceased family members

Sat 4th Dec 7 pm Laurence Moran & Josephine Brogan and deceased members of the Duignan & Moran families.

John Joe and Brigid McGirl (Main Street) and Mary Mulvihill (Aughadark)

Eucharist Ministers (December 2021) Seamus Prior and Margaret McTeigue

Ministers of the Word (December 2021) Philip Roddy and Monica Ward

Door Collectors (December 2021) Michael James Creamer, Pat Joe Mulvey, and Liam Prior

Eucharistic Adoration Wednesday 11am to 12 noon, and 8 to 10 pm

Corraleehan St. Brigid's Church:

Mass Sun at 9:45 am

Mass Intentions

Sun 28th Nov 9:45 am People of the Parish

Sun 5th Dec 9:45 am Tommy Flynn (Kiltyhugh)

Mary Plunkett **Months Mind**

Eucharist Ministers (December 2021) Carmel McNiffe and Philomena Dolan

Ministers of the Word (December 2021) Assumpta Bohan and Kathleen Mc Tague

Door Collectors (December 2021) Seamus McGovern and Tommy McKiernan

Altar Society (December 2021) Mary Meehan, Gerry Meehan, and Tracy McTague

Eucharistic Adoration Wednesday 10 am to 8 pm, All Welcome

Aughawillan St Patrick's Church:

Mass Sat at 8:15 pm

Mass Intentions

Sat 27th Nov 8:15 pm Hugh P Brady and Mary Brady (Corramahon)

Lizzie Quinn (Aughawillan)

Sun 5th Dec 8:15 pm People of the Parish

Eucharist Ministers (December 2021) Breege McCauley and Michelle Dolan

Ministers of the Word (December 2021) Ciaran McBrien and Mark Stringer

Door Collectors (December 2021) Michael Darcy and Patrick Prior

Altar Society (December 2021) Jillian Warren and Maureen McGovern

RECENT DEATHS: we pray for the souls of those who died this week, Nora Flynn (Corrabeeher), Winnie McTague (Stralohan), and Ann McCaffrey (Páirc Fea) **May They Rest in Peace**

CHURCH NOTES

BALLINAMORE PRAYER GROUP: meet Tuesdays from 8:30 to 9:45 pm, in St Brigid's Parish Centre, all welcome.

COPIES OF THE IRISH CATHOLIC NEWSPAPER: are in Ballinamore Church Porch. Put €2.50 in the Trócaire Box.

VISITATION OF THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND will not take place this week, but will take place in mid-December in preparation for Christmas.

CONCLUSION TO OUR NOVENA, AND CONSECRATION TO ST JOSEPH: As the year of St Joseph draws to a close, we conclude our nine-month novena on Wed. 1st of Dec. after 7 pm Mass, in Ballinamore. We will say a rosary and final meditation followed by the opportunity to consecrate ourselves to St Joseph with a consecration prayer.

BALLINAMORE CHURCH: Work continues in the prayer room in Ballinamore Church, we thank you for your co-operation and apologies for the inconvenience caused.

GENTLE REMINDER: As we approach the end of the year it would be appreciated if you could bring your church contributions up to date. Offertory contributions towards the upkeep of church should be made payable to the church area where you reside. All Dues contributions towards the salaries for the priests should be made payable to Priests Revenue A/C Ballinamore Church.

CAVAN GENERAL HOSPITAL REMEMBRANCE MASS 10.00 AM, TUESDAY 30th NOVEMBER: The Chaplaincy Department of Cavan General Hospital are holding a Remembrance Mass, for those who passed away in the hospital during the past year, and for departed relatives and friends of Staff. It will be held in the **Cathedral of Saints Patrick & Felim, Cavan** and we invite you to join us in the Cathedral, or you can light a candle at that time in remembrance of your loved one and watch online at this link <https://www.churchservices.tv/cavancathedral>

WHILE WE HAVE FULL CAPACITY IN OUR CHURCHES: it is important that we remain CoVid19 vigilant, respect each other's space, observe social distancing, use face masks, sanitise our hands when entering and leaving the church, and refrain from physical contact. To prevent the spread of CoVid19 and with respect for the bereaved families and relatives please do not shake hands when sympathising in Church.

COMMUNITY NOTES

CHRISTMAS LIGHTS 4th DECEMBER: Only a few more sleeps! **Santa Clause** is coming to Ballinamore, to turn on the **Christmas lights** so get the Christmas outfits ready for Saturday the 4th December at 5.30 pm. Santa will start this visit at the bottom of the town and will travel up to all the streets and estates, with treats for all. Listen out for him.

A MEETING OF BALLINAMORE WOMEN'S Group is to take place in the Den on December 1st at 8 pm.

Arrangements will be completed for Christmas dinner on December 4th. Please note Covid regulations will apply.

BALLINAMORE HENS' SHED - CRAFTY CHRISTMAS MONDAYS 10.30 am – 1pm: A handmade gift is more precious than a last-minute buy. Learn and get support to craft in the company of other women. Bring your own materials and equipment, protocols in place to safely share. Old Tech, Ballinamore. For info call Sarah **087 762 0523**

BALLINAMORE MOBILE POET TO FACILITATE FOUR FREE WORKSHOPS: Ballinamore Writers' Group, of recently published '**Reflections: A Collection of Writings**' invites you to join them and Facilitator poet Wayne Frankham for the 2nd of their workshops at the Island Theatre, Ballinamore on Sun 28th Nov 10.30 am-12.30 pm. 3rd date is Sun 12th Dec. and 4th date is Wed. 29th 4-6 pm. For info call Claire 087 **769 6514**. Funded by Creative Ireland.

CONGRATULATIONS: to Joe Kellegher on the publication of "**My Life My Story**" which is available locally for €20.

ISLAND THEATRE BALLINAMORE: are hosting our first **Christmas Craft Fair, Sat 4th of December** 10am to 5 pm, a wide selection of local crafts and products available, for information call Sarah **087 762 0523**

KILMORE YOUTH MINISTRY: are running a **Christmas Essay Competition**. First prize is a family trip to Tayto Park.

The essay title will again be "**Why was the first Christmas so important**" This essay competition is for 6th class students/Confirmation class. The essay must be no more than 500 words. Closing date is Fri. 10th Dec, with winner announced Wed. 15th December. Entries to Francis Keaney, Conaty Centre, Cullies, Co Cavan H12 E5C7.

ONLINE THEOLOGY OPEN EVENING, the Priory Institute www.prioryinstitute.com provides online Theology courses to degree level. Click [here](#) or enquiries@prioryinstitute.com to find out about the Open Evening Thurs 2nd Dec. 7pm. The link is <https://prioryinstitute.com/events/priory-institute-open-evening> or call Frances **086 851 0769**

MEDITATION WITH ART: Thursdays, 7.30 - 8.30 pm. €10 per week, in Trathnóna, Ballinamore. This is a gift to yourself, a little self-care, in changing times. No need to be artistic. Drop-in welcome, call Mary **087 290 1913**

SOCIAL DANCING AUGHNASHEELIN COMMUNITY CENTRE WITH RINA BANNON: Wed 8pm Call **086 850 6696**

LINE DANCING CLASSES: In Corlough Hall have finished. John & Julie will be back in January. Social dancing to continue with Rina Mon 29th Nov. & Mon 6th December at 8 pm. These are the last two classes for this season but will resume in January. Wishing everybody a Happy Christmas and a Joy filled New Year.

MUSIC LESSONS IN BALLINAMORE - Learn the Ukulele, Guitar or Keyboard. Lessons weekly at Sean O'Heslins GAA club. Group and Individual classes offered. Adults and younger learners welcome. Beginners to intermediate level. Contact Susan - **087 317 8169**. Enrolling now for January - Parent & toddler music classes, weekly fun sessions starting in Ballinamore. Contact Susan - **087 317 8169**. www.singaling.ie

IN-CALF ROAN OR WORLDWIDE ROAM! Corlough GAA Fundraiser. Win an In-Calf Heifer, Holiday of Your Choice, OR a Centre Parks Getaway! All for €20. Tickets available online, @Corlough GAA Facebook page or any member.

SEAN O'HESLINS CONNACHT CLUB QUARTER FINALS: well-done to all on a great performance last Sunday, and the excellent display of Leitrim football. We thank everyone for the fantastic memories this year. Best of luck to Naomh Pdraig in their Connacht championship match against Cunmann Peile Nao, which will be played on Saturday in Ballinamore at 13:30 hopefully we can all get behind Dromahair as they represent Leitrim

REFLECTION ADVENT FAMILY PRAYER



Dear God, thank you for giving us these four weeks to prepare to celebrate the birth of your Son.

We are so thankful for all the people that help us along this path we're travelling to welcome Jesus.

God, bless our family and prepare our home and hearts to welcome your Son, Jesus Christ, into the world.

Amen