

OUGHTERAGH / DRUMREILLY LOWER PARISH NEWSLETTER

23rd March 2025

Aughawillan - Aughnasheelin - Ballinamore & Corraleeahan

24th St Macartan & St Oscar, 25th Annunciation of the Lord, 27th St John of Egypt

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BALLINAMORE – St. PATRICK'S CHURCH

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

Sat 22nd Mar 11am

No intention

Sun 23rd Mar 11am

Austin Quinn (Ardrum), his brothers Kilian & Francis and his parents Phil & Helena.

Phil & Lily McGovern and all deceased members of the McGovern & Cosgrave families.

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 and Tony Maguire and son Paul



Eucharistic Adoration:

Fridays 9.30am –10.30am

Eucharist Ministers

23rd Mar Alice Costello, Raymond McHugh & Marcella McKiernan, 30th Mar Evelyn McHugh, Marian Sharpley & PJ McLoughlin, 6th Apr Brendan Sweeney & Eilis O'Dell

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

23rd Mar Thomas Kelly 30th Mar Sylvia Dolan, 6th Apr Marie O'Connor, 13th Apr Gabriel Cronin

Door Collectors:

23rd Mar Felim Maxwell & John Galligan, 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

Fri 20th Mar 7pm

No intention

Sat 21st Mar 8:15pm

No intention

Sat 29th Mar 8:15pm

John Joe & Mary Ann Gallagher (Knockacullion)

Eucharistic Adoration:

Wednesdays, 11am - 12noon and 8pm - 10pm

Eucharistic Ministers:

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

Readers Confirmation Class

Door Collectors Peter Flynn, Brendan Reynolds & Brian O'Dowd

CORRALEECHAN - St. BRIGID'S CHURCH

Mass times: Wed 9:30am Sun 9.45am

Mass Intentions

Sun 23rd Mar 9:45am

No intention

Sun 24th Mar 9:45am

No intention

Eucharistic Ministers

Carol McNiff & Bernie Dolan

Altar Society Seamus McGovern & Helen McGovern

Ministers of the Word Helen McGovern & Sean McNiff

Door Collectors Gerry Meehan & Joseph McNiff

AUGHAWILLAN – St. PATRICK'S CHURCH

Mass times: Wed 7pm Sat 7pm

Mass Intentions

Sat 22nd Mar 7pm

Patrick & Rita McCauley (Drumreilly)

Sat 29th Mar 7pm

No Intention

Eucharistic Ministers

Damien Conefrey & Patricia Deane

Altar Society Michelle Dolan & Katie Meekin

Ministers of the Word Doreen Flanagan & Donal Quinn

Door Collectors Paddy Deane & Gerry Flanagan

RECENT DEATHS: We pray for the souls of Teresa McKiernan (Stradrinan), Peter Prior (Derrinever) and Mollie McTiernan (Miskawn) whose funerals took place during the week. We also pray for Patrick Wynne, (England) brother of Dominic Wynne and Bernie Kellegher, funeral arrangements to follow and Thomas Joseph Flanagan (Kildare & Drumarigna), may all their souls rest in eternal peace.

RECENT BAPTISMS: We welcome Davida, Drewe and David Emuobohwo and Stephen Ridge to our Christian family and we congratulate them and their families on their recent baptisms.

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

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

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

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING: will take place in the Parish Centre on Wed 26th March at 8pm.

PLEASE COLLECT YOUR TRÓCAIRE BOX IN THE CHURCH PORCH. Thank you.

WELCOME TO FR. SEÁN MAGUIRE P.P. CORLOUGH/TEMPLEPORT: who will celebrate the 8.15pm mass in Aughnasheelin and the 11am mass in Ballinamore this weekend. Fr, Seán will celebrate the weekend masses in Corlough/ Templeport.

KNIGHTS OF ST. COLUMBANUS: OPEN NIGHT, Tuesday, 25th MARCH 2025: Venue: **The Hive @ 8:00pm**
The Carrick Primary Council (Branch), known as CK88, caters for faithful Catholic men, living in Carrick-on-Shannon, Ballinamore, Boyle, Bornacoola, Carrigallen, Cloone, Dromod, Drumsna, Drumshanbo, Elphin, Keadue, Mohill, Newtowngore, Rooskey, and surrounding areas. If you are interested in finding out more about the Knights of St. Columbanus, in the Carrick Council, please contact Ciarán on 086-6027126. Attendance by pre-arrangement only. Website: www.knightsofstcolimbanus.ie (The Hive, Castlecara Road, Carrick-on-Shannon. N41 FD83)

LENTEN EVENING OF PRAYER AND HEALING: Fr Cyriacus will lead a Lenten Evening of Prayer and Healing. Kilmore Diocesan Pastoral Centre, Cavan, Thurs Mar 27th. Confessions 6.15pm, Rosary 7pm Holy Mass at 7.30pm.

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.

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. In Aughnasheelin Hall on 22nd, 23rd, 28th & 29th of March, Curtain @ 8pm. Booking only on Eventbrite <https://shorturl.at/Yk5Dl>

LEITRIM ALZHEIMER CAFÉ: Free Information Café, 4th Thursday of every month. Next date 27th Mar from 11am to 1pm. Topic: Age friendly Leitrim. Commercial Hotel, Ballinamore. Contact Mary 087 0024190.

TABLE QUIZ: A table quiz in aid of Mary's Meals will take place in Lock 10, Kilclare on Fri 28th Mar, commencing at 9.30pm. Raffle on the night. *Please support this worthy cause to help feed the poorest children throughout the world.*

ATHLETIC CLUB: Training continues in the sports complex every Tuesday and Thursday evening, from 7pm. *Ballinamore Athletic Club will hold a commemorative sports meeting in St Felim's on Bank Holiday Monday May 5th as the second part of the club's 60th anniversary and there will be events for all ages along with a photographic and other memorabilia exhibition in the Den.*

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@scoilchlannnaofa.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.

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

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@stmarysnsaughnasheelin.com

AUGHNASHEELIN SOCIAL DANCE: on 21st March in Aughnasheelin Community Centre. Music by Pat McKenna and Robert Brown. Doors open 9pm dancing 9.30pm to 11.30pm, refreshments served.

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.

COMMUNITY SERVICES HUB in the Den, N41R522: 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). Free event, all welcome. Next date, 25th March.

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

OLDER WISER LEARNING EVENT: at Breifne College. For people who need tips on Wi-Fi, Bluetooth, A.I., Zoom calls, PC security, Website safety, Online Shopping, Data transferring Social Media Group chats. Connecting devices etc. Tea and refreshments will be provided. Bring your own device. It takes place in Breifne College, March 25th from 11am to 1pm. Come along or ring 0494331735 for further information.

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 Idco.ie

REFLECTION

Only God knows your full potential, and he is guiding you toward that best version of yourself all the time. Ref: John Ortberg

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

IMPORTANT DATES FOR 2025:

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION:

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

ISLAND THEATRE BALLINAMORE: 29th Mar 8pm Comedian Gearóid Farrelly in Gearóid Rage, Tickets €20+ fees, available online from islandtheatre.ie. 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.

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: 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

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

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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