

Balyna Parish Newsletter

St Mary's, Broadford- St Patrick's, Johnstownbridge- St Brigid's, Clogherinkoe

Twenty Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time - 14/15 September 2024

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Masses this Week:

Please note that times can be changed at short notice because of funerals!

Saturday 14 September	Clogherinkoe	6.00pm Mass
Sunday 15 September	Johnstownbridge	9.30am Mass
	Broadford	11.00am Mass
Tuesday 17 September	Broadford	10:00am Mass
Wednesday 18 September	Clogherinkoe	10:00am Mass
Thursday 19 September	Johnstownbridge	10:00am Mass
Friday 20 September	Broadford	7:30pm Mass
Saturday 21 September	Clogherinkoe	6:00pm Mass
Sunday 22 September	Johnstownbridge	9:30am Mass
	Broadford	11:00am Mass

Important Dates

Friday 27th September: Parish Pilgrimage.

Saturday 5th/Sunday 6th October: First Holy Communion and Confirmation Enrolment at Parish Masses.

Sunday 6th October: Autumn Dues Collection.

Monday 7th October: Visit of the Relic of St Bernadette, in Carlow Cathedral.

Tuesday 8th October: visit of the Relic of St Bernadette in Portlaoise Parish.

Sacrament of Initiation (First Communion and Confirmation) Program 2024-25

The program and application form for the sacraments is now live on the parish website,

<https://www.balynaparish.ie/2024/08/29/sacraments-of-initiation-first-holy-communion-and-confirmation-2025/> All applications forms are to be returned to the Parish Office by the 29th of September.

Visit of the Relic of St Bernadette

In September and October this year, the relic of St. Bernadette will journey on a pilgrimage of Ireland for the very first time, visiting every diocese in the country. This very special once-in-lifetime event will provide an opportunity for people of all ages and backgrounds to experience the special gift and charisms of Lourdes in their diocese. The relic of St. Bernadette will visit Kildare and Leighlin this October, on the 7th in Carlow Cathedral and on the 8th in Portlaoise Parish. Further details relating to the visit to Kildare and Leighlin will follow.

Cadamstown Main Hall Closure

Cadamstown Hall will be closed for essential maintenance from 30th September 2024 to the 11th October 2024. Any queries please contact Susan on (087) 6417379.

Parish Pilgrimage

The Parish will organize a pilgrimage on Friday the 27th of September, to Holy Cross Abbey, Thurles. The cost will be €50. Only 3 more places available, please contact the Parish Office on (046) 9551203 for more details and to book your place.

Junior Servers

We are looking for young people from 10-15 years old, to serve at Mass each weekend and at Church ceremonies throughout the year such as Easter and Christmas. As a parish we always promote best practice in relation to safeguarding children, therefore strict safeguarding guidelines will pertain. Each child must be accompanied by an adult. **THEY WILL NOT ENTER THE SACRISTY.** They will be given an alb and will be expected to come to church vested and ready. Alter servers and their parent/guardian will sign a register on every occasion they serve at Mass. If you are interested in your child becoming an Altar Server, please contact the parish office on (046) 9551203.

Senior Servers

We also welcome adults, of all ages, who would like to serve at Mass. Adults would also be of great help for funerals and for other occasions. Any adults who would like to help in this way should contact the parish office.

'Pledge your Pin for Peace' at the Ploughing Championships

Once again, the diocese will be present in Ratheniska for the Ploughing Championships this year. At our Diocesan Stand 221 visitors will be invited to pledge their desire for peace in our world by placing a coloured pin on a specially designed St. Brigid's Cross.

Kilshanroe National School

We are looking for a cleaner for 2 hours a day after school. If you or anyone you know is interested can you please contact the office on (046) 9541612 or email prncpal@sstkilshanroe.ie

Progressive 25 Cards

Progressive 25 starting in the Hamlet Court Hotel on Monday the 16th of September @ 9pm. Free lessons for beginners @ 8pm and following Monday nights if required. All welcome!

Anniversaries and Intentions

We remember Donna McDermott, Greencastle, Donegal, sister-in-law of William Durkan who was interred in Ballybrack Cemetery on Wednesday. We remember Seamus Hynan formerly of Knockirr, brother of Ann Kavanagh who was interred in Saggart Cemetery on Wednesday. We also remember Kathleen Newman, Dring, Longford, sister-in-law of Patrick Leonard, Ballinakill, who was interred in Mullinalaghta Cemetery on Wednesday.

Anniversaries for this week-end	Tilly Sutton. Caroline & Thomas Mangan (Anniversary Mass).
Anniversaries for next week-end	Mick Roche (First Anniversary). Francis McNulty (Anniversary Mass). Edward Maguire (Third Anniversary) & his father Peter. Maria Farell, Cornamucklagh (Fiftieth Anniversary), her husband Peter and the deceased members of the Farrell & Kennedy families.