Balyna Parish Newsletter

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

Christ the King - 23/24 November 2024

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Masses this Week:

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

Saturday 23 November	Clogherinkoe	6.00pm Mass
Sunday 24 November	Johnstownbridge	9.30am Mass
	Broadford	11.00am Mass
Tuesday 26 November	Broadford	10:00am Mass
Wednesday 27 November	Clogherinkoe	10:00am Mass
Thursday 28 November	Johnstownbridge	10:00am Mass
Friday 29 November	Broadford	7:30pm Mass
Saturday 30 November	Clogherinkoe	6:00pm Mass (with catechesis)
Sunday 1 December	Johnstownbridge	9:30am Mass (with catechesis)
	Broadford	11:00am Mass (with catechesis)

Important Dates

Saturday November 30th/Sunday December 1st: Catechesis at Mass for Communion and Confirmation candidates.

Sunday December 1st: First Sunday of Advent/Christmas Stations Collection.

Saturday December 7th/Sunday December 8th: St. Vincent de Paul Collection.

Sunday December 8th: Feast of the Immaculate Conception, Holy Day.

Sunday 5th January 2025: Balyna Parish Draw.

Update Balyna Parish Draw

Sincere thanks for all the support for the draw so far. It is our major fundraiser for the year, and we hope that it will be a good offset for the insurance expenses. The draw will take place after Mass in Broadford Church on Sunday the 5^{th} of January 2025. Tickets will be for sale after Mass on Sundays and in Centra, Johnstownbridge, BREDA Centre, Clocha Rince Library, the Parish Office and from local sellers.

Christmas Stations Collection

Christmas Stations Collection will be taken up next up next weekend, an envelope is provided in your box of envelope. As always, I thank you all for your generous support.

Catechesis at Mass, for Communion and Confirmation Candidates

On Saturday the $30^{\text{th of}}$ November and Sunday the 1^{st} of December we will have a catechesis at Mass for the Communion and Confirmation candidates. As always people can attend any Mass as the same material is offered in each.

Parish Finance Update

The accounts for 2023 will be available after Mass next weekend. These are declared under the Diocesan Charity number to the Charities Regulator in consolidated form, i.e. with all the parishes together, but we give the specific accounts for our own parish which are checked by our diocesan accountant and verified. Anyone with any questions will be welcome.

As will be evident, the weekly envelopes are a mainstay of our finances. The new boxes will be distributed in these days. As a token of thanks, an envelope will be drawn from those submitted each Sunday and we offer a ticket in the Parish Draw to the lucky donor. This week's winner was Sean Kelly—Congratulations Sean!

Those who distribute the envelopes are invited to contact the office in order to facilitate collection. Thanks for your help!

Jubilee 2025: Pilgrims of Hope

A JUBILEE-or Holy-Year is marked every twenty-five years by the Universal Church as a time of dedicated prayer so as to re-establish a proper relationship with God, with one another and with all of creation.

The Jubilee Year 2025 opens in Rome on Christmas Eve, 24 December, with the opening of the Holy Door in St. Peter's Basilica, by Pope Francis after celebration of Mass in St. Peter's Square.

The opening of the Holy Year will be marked universally in a liturgy celebrated by the diocesan bishop on the following Sunday the 29th of December. More details to follow.

Christmas Mass Bouquets

Our Christmas Mass Bouquets are now available for sale in the Parish Office and the B.R.E.D.A Centre at a cost of €5. Theses are a beautiful and thoughtful gift to give family and friends at Christmas.

November List of the Dead

Enrolment for the November list of the dead can be made with the envelope provided in your box of envelopes or at the back of the Church. All contributions go to the Clergy Fund. Many thanks.

Anniversaries and Intentions

Anniversaries for this week-end	Sheila Donegan (Third Anniversary & Birthday Remembrance). Tony McKeon (Month's Mind). Peter & Angela Conlon, Ballindoolin & their sons Peter (junior) & Jack & their nephew Paddy McNamee. Martin & Elizabeth Murray. Seán & Jimmy Hynan.
Anniversaries for next week-end	Maurice Mooney, Ballindoolin. Willie & Cissy Beatty, Ballindoolin. James, Dolores & Claire Quirke, Kinnefad. The Carew family, Rahan. Michael McGrath, Cadamstown (Fifth Anniversary). Mary, Johnny & Susan Hynan. Jimmy, Annie, Stephen & Bernadette Miggin & the deceased members of the Miggin family.