

# Balyna Parish Newsletter

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

1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent- 30 November/1 December 2024

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## Masses this Week:

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

<b>Saturday 30 November</b>	<b>Clogherinkoe</b>	<b>6.00pm Mass (with catechesis)</b>
<b>Sunday 1 December</b>	<b>Johnstownbridge</b>	<b>9.30am Mass (with catechesis)</b>
	<b>Broadford</b>	<b>11.00am Mass (with catechesis)</b>
<b>Tuesday 3 December</b>	<b>Broadford</b>	<b>10:00am Mass</b>
<b>Wednesday 4 December</b>	<b>Clogherinkoe</b>	<b>10:00am Mass</b>
<b>Thursday 5 December</b>	<b>Johnstownbridge</b>	<b>10:00am Mass</b>
<b>Friday 6 December</b>	<b>Broadford</b>	<b>7:30pm Mass (Confession 6.30-7.15pm)</b>
<b>Saturday 7 December</b>	<b>Clogherinkoe</b>	<b>6:00pm Mass</b>
<b>Sunday 8 December</b>	<b>Johnstownbridge</b>	<b>9:30am Mass</b>
	<b>Broadford</b>	<b>11:00am Mass</b>

## Important Dates

**Sunday December 1<sup>st</sup>:** First Sunday of Advent/Christmas Stations Collection.

**Saturday December 7<sup>th</sup>/Sunday December 8<sup>th</sup>:** St. Vincent de Paul Collection.

**Sunday December 8<sup>th</sup>:** Feast of the Immaculate Conception, Holy Day.

**Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2025:** Balyna Parish Draw.

## First Friday:

This Friday (6 December) is the First Friday, invalids will be attended during the week. On Friday evening there will be Confession from 6:30pm to 7:15pm in Broadford Church, followed by mass at 7:30pm.

## 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. These are a beautiful and thoughtful gift to give family and friends at Christmas.

## Christmas Stations

Many thanks for your contributions to the Christmas Station collection. An envelop is provided today in the box of envelopes.

## St. Vincent de Paul Collection

St Vincent de Paul Collection will take place next weekend 7th/8th of December. Blue envelopes are available at the back of every Church. All support is greatly appreciated for this worthy cause. All donations are spent in our local community.

## Bambinelli Sunday

The Blessing of the Bambinelli (Baby Jesus) is a tradition which began in Rome. On Saturday the 14th and Sunday the 15<sup>th</sup> of December (Third Sunday of Advent-Gaudete Sunday), we invite you all to bring the Baby Jesus from your own crib at home to any Mass to have it blessed.

## 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. First prize €1,000, Second prize €500, 3rd prize €200 and 3 prizes of €100. As a thank you to all our parishioners who financially support our parish, we will have a draw every week for a chance to win a ticket for our annual parish draw. The draw will take place after Mass in Broadford Church on Sunday the 5<sup>th</sup> of January 2025. Congratulations to this week's winner, Larry and Marion O'Gorman.

## St. Patrick's National School

St. Patrick's National School are holding a Christmas Toy Show Raffle on Friday the 6<sup>th</sup> of December 2024. Amazing prizes to be won, 1<sup>st</sup> prize €1,000 Centre Parcs Voucher, 2<sup>nd</sup> prize €250 Emerald Park Voucher, 3<sup>rd</sup> prize Afternoon Tea in the Johnstown estate, 4<sup>th</sup> prize Children's hamper, plus many more fabulous prizes to be won. Tickets €10 each (6 tickets €50). Tickets available online <https://www.idonate.ie/raffle/15748> or can be purchases in the school and Acorn Vets.

## Online Donations

Our new Parish bank account details are as follows: Balyna Parish Non-Personal Deposit Account, BIC: EDCNIE21, IBAN: IE87EDCN99104210367877, Ref: 21631 Balyna Parish. For anyone who would like to financially support the Parish online, could you please ensure to include your name in the details when contributing online. Many thanks as always for your support. For further information contact the Parish Office on (046) 9551203

## Anniversaries and Intentions

Anniversaries for this 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. Jim and Mary Loughrey. Seamus and Lily Loughrey & the deceased members of the Loughrey family. Gerry Larkin (Seventeenth Anniversary) & the deceased members of the Larkin, Kennedy & Farrell families.
Anniversaries for next week-end	Carmel Mooney, Ballycowan (Remembrance Mass). Tom & Nancy Kelly, Rahan. John, Mary & Mike Kelly Rahan. Carmel & Madeline Bourke & the deceased members of the Bourke family. George Cooney (First Anniversary).