

Balyna Parish Newsletter

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

The 7th Sunday of the Year - 22/23 February 2025

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Masses this Week:

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

Saturday 22 February	Clogherinkoe	6.00pm Mass
Sunday 23 February	Johnstownbridge	9.30am Mass
	Broadford	11.00am Mass
Tuesday 25 February	Broadford	10:00am Mass
Wednesday 26 February	Clogherinkoe	10:00 Mass
Thursday 27 February	Johnstownbridge	10:00 Mass
Friday 28 February	Broadford	7:30pm Mass
Saturday 1 March	Clogherinkoe	6:00pm Mass
Sunday 2 March	Johnstownbridge	9:30am Mass
	Broadford	11:00am Mass

Dates for your Diary

Saturday 1st & Sunday 2nd March: Catechesis at Mass for Communion and Confirmation candidates.

Wednesday 5th March: Ash Wednesday

Sunday 9th March: Easter Stations Collection.

Monday 17th March: St. Patrick's Day.

Saturday 22nd March: Parish Lenten Pilgrimage.

Catechesis at Mass for Communion and Confirmation Candidates

On Saturday the 1st and Sunday the 2nd of March, 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 WhatsApp Group

We are in the process of setting up a parish WhatsApp group. This group will be used to communicate parish related information, parish announcements and updates. Anyone interested in joining the group, please complete the Balyna Parish WhatsApp Group Consent Form and return to the parish office. Consent forms are available at the back of the churches, from the parish office or can be downloaded on the following link <https://www.balynaparish.ie/2025/02/12/balyna-parish-whatsapp-group/>

Parish Lenten Pilgrimage

The Parish will organize a Lenten Pilgrimage on Saturday the 22nd of March 2025, to Carlow. We hope to leave Broadford car park at 8:00am and return about 6:00pm. Our first stop will be to Carlow Cathedral for Mass at 10:00am. After Mass we will learn about the Cathedral and finish off with a quick cup of tea. We will then make our way to the Poor Clares in Graiguecullen, where we will visit the Church and find out about the story of the Poor Clares. We have Lunch booked in Reddy's of Carlow for 1pm. After lunch we will head to Altamont House & Gardens for a guided tour. We hope to depart around 4:15-4:30pm arriving in Broadford around 6pm. The cost will be €60, please contact the Parish Office on (046) 9551203 to book your place.

Tax Forms

We have forwarded tax forms to a number of parishioners which needs to be updated to claim tax from their contributions. We would gratefully appreciate their return in the accompanying stamped addressed envelope. Many thanks!

Oaklands Community College Community Wellbeing Initiative

As part of our Community Wellbeing Initiative, a Workshop hosted by Offaly Jigsaw will take place in Oaklands Community College on Thursday, February 27th at 7p.m. The workshop will focus on the significance of having 'One Good Adult' in a young person's life and highlight the importance of self-care. All members of the community who are involved in sports, drama, music clubs etc are welcome to attend. Please register at <https://forms.office.com/e/OxRtTaVN4r>

Anniversaries and Intentions

Anniversaries for this week-end	Jane Murray (Second Anniversary) and her parents Martin & Elizabeth & the deceased members of the Murray family. John & Joan Haslam. Michael, Ger, Alex & Mary Haslam. The Haslam Family. John & Agnes McNamara & their son David. Michael (Mick) Mooney (Month's Mind). Brian Redican (Anniversary Mass). Michael Casey (Anniversary Mass). Nan & Mick Reynolds. Carmel & Angela Loughrey. Sean Sutton, Ballyonan (Anniversary Mass). Maureen Brady née Coghlan, Maynooth & Broadford (Anniversary Mass). Bridie Flood & the deceased members of the Flood family.
Anniversaries for next week-end	Fr. Tom Faulkner & his parents Kathleen & Jim. Carmel Mooney (First Anniversary). Mick Loughrey (Second Anniversary).