

PARISH OF BALLINAKILL/DERRYBRIEN

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Saturday/Sunday 6/7 February 2016 – ‘5th Sunday In Ordinary Time’

Masses - Ballinakill:

Sat. 6 Feb.: 8pm (A) Barry Shiel.
Sun. 7 Feb.: 11am (A) Joe Sheil.
Mon. 8 Feb.: 9.30am.
Tues. 9 Feb.: 9.30am
Wed. 10 Feb.: 9am & 8pm Ash Wednesday
Thurs. 11 Feb.: No Mass.
Fri. 12 Feb.: No Mass.
Sat. 13 Feb.: 8pm (A) Patrick Connors.
Sun. 14 Feb.: 11am (A) Tony & Sally Dervan.

Masses - Derrybrien:

Sun. 7 Feb.: 9.30am.
Fri. 12 Feb.: No Mass.
Sun. 14 Feb.: 9.30am.

Mass Servers:

Saturday: Group 4. Sunday: Group 5.

Readers:

Saturday: Mairead Rafferty. Sunday: Mary Daniels.

Eucharistic Ministers:

Saturday: Bernie Dervan & Mary Daniels.
Sunday: Marion Sheil & Norah Porter.
Derrybrien: February: Bernie Egan.

Sunday Collection Teams:

Sunday 7 Feb: Team C. Sunday 14 Feb.: Team D.

Lotto No's: 4, 18, 21, 22. No Jackpot Winner €3,000:

Next Draw 6/2 The Hill, Kylebrack. **Win/Share €150:** Ailbhe Sheil, Brian Sheil, Roseanna Flynn.

O'Connor's Moyglass – February Entertainment:

Sat. 6 Feb.: Danny Hunt. Sat.: 13 Feb.: Michael & Martin. All are welcome.

Eucharistic Adoration Cancelled This Coming Wednesday:

(Ash Wed.) but will resume the following **Wednesday 17 Feb.**

Pastoral Council Next Meeting Monday 8 February @8pm:

In the Parochial House.

Galway For Life Public Meeting Gullane's Hotel Ballinasloe:

Wed. 10 Feb. at 7pm, to update supporters on the current situation as regards the protection of the unborn and their mothers and offer ideas on what you can do in the Galway area. All are welcome.

Ash Wednesday 10 Feb. Beginning Of Lent Mass In Ballinakill:

At 9am & 8pm. Lent is a time when we make resolutions to do penance and sacrifices to enable us to prepare to celebrate the Great Feast of Easter. We can choose to do something positive during Lent by praying more attending Mass more often, making an effort to improve our relationships with God and with each other.

Trócaire Lenten Campaign Please Take A Box Home With You:

And use it during Lent as a way of helping those in need in our troubled world. Donating to Trócaire is a practical way of using our sacrifices as a way of benefiting those most in need of our support. Trócaire's Theme this year is Join the Fight for Justice "A Little Bit Of Mercy makes the world less cold and more just" Pope Francis.

Lenten Collection – Taken Up At All Masses Next Weekend:

This collection goes towards the expenses of the Diocese.

Drim National School Enrolment 2016 Enrolment Forms:

Available at the school. **Tel: 090 9749522:** Closing Date is **Friday 26 February.**

Station Masses – Anyone Who Would Like To Host A Station:

In their home during Lent, please arrange a date and time that suits you as soon as possible. This is a lovely tradition of invoking God's presence and Blessing into our homes and families.

Sincere Sympathy To The Family And Friends Of

Marion Whyte. May he rest in peace.

Country & Western Evening Auld Shed Cartron House B'kill Sun. 7 Feb:

6-9pm. Adm. Finger food served. PK & his country mix will be playing loads of great country hits. Sawdust/straw on floor. Bring your own moonshine no prob.

Irish Wheelchair Association Church Gate Collection Next Weekend:

13 & 14 February. Your support would be gratefully appreciated.

Gort Community School – Adult Education Evening Classes Spring:

Computers/Sugar Craft/Crochet for Beginners. Tel: 091 632163 Mary Brady.

Pioneer Lenten Challenge! Take The Short-Term Pledge - Many People:

Abstain from alcohol for the duration of Lent. Make your Lenten pledge visit www.pioneerassociation.ie and join on-line or contact your local Pioneer centre representative. Take the opportunity to help someone you know and love with an alcohol/drug problem by offering up your Lenten sacrifice as a prayer for their freedom and well-being. Go for it and make a difference to someone's life!

Loughrea Pilgrimage to Medjugorje Easter 2016 5 Nights:

Ex Dublin €599. Hotel opposite St. James's Church. Price inc. flights/buses/food/accommodation Tel: James Treacy 086 0572216

Fr. Benny McHale pilgrimage To The Holy Land (31st) 7-17th June. As:

Occupancy fills up very quickly it is advisable to Tel: him as soon as possible on 091 844227. The Holy Land is very safe, in fact it is the safest place in the Middle East at the moment and pilgrims need have no worry about security.

Kyusho Jitsu Ireland Beginners Classes Cartron House Cost €30:

Confidence/discipline/mobility/self defence age 5+ at 7pm. Tel: Will on 086 8843288 for details.

National Pastoral 1 Day Conference Entitled "Opening The Door Of Mercy"

Sat. 5 March at Moran's Red Cow Hotel, Dublin. It is our hope that this day, during the Extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy, will nourish, encourage and enable those who are members of Ecclesial Movements, Associations of Lay Faithful, Apostolates, Christian Organisations and, of course, other parish groups to continue living out, in our daily lives, the mercy the Father constantly extends to all of us. Speakers His Excellency, Charles J. Brown, Professor Michael Conway & Ms Susan Gately. **Pre-booking is required.**

The Priory Institute – Theology Matters Application Deadline 22 Feb.:

Tel: 01 4048124 or enquiries@prioryinstitute.com www.prioryinstitute.com

Local Pilgrimage Medjugorje Easter: 7 Days ex Dublin €699 Also:

In a different Pilgrimage Fatima for 13 May, Feast Day of Our Lady of Fatima. Taking in St. Anthony's Baptismal site Church & House in Lisbon. €665 Food/buses/Hotels/Flights included. Tel: James Treacy 0860572216 or Marian Pilgrimages on 018788159

Lenten Reflection Series at The Abbey, Loughrea. Mercy Encountering:

God's Patience through music/meditation/silence on Thurs. 11 Feb.-10 March 7-8pm. All welcome. Similar reflection series took place for Advent which was a great success and enjoyed by many.

Medjugorje 14 September Ex Shannon 7 Nights €649 - €100 Deposit:

Before 17 Feb secures this price. Transport to and from the airport arranged Tel: Michael Mulryan 091 850855 / 087 6737888.

ACCORD – Nationwide Service To Couples Preparing/Seeking:

Deeper commitment in Sacrament of Marriage. www.accord.ie Tel: 9643573.

Seeing Your Life Through The Lens Of The Gospels Luke 5:1:11:

1. Jesus invites Peter to put out the net again, and he does so though he thinks it pointless. When have you felt it was pointless to stick with a task, but did so nonetheless and been surprised by results? We never know when our efforts are going to bear fruit. 2. 'Push out into the deep.' The invitation is to go out into unfamiliar waters, where we are not sure what will happen, where we feel uneasy and our safety is not assured. When have you responded positively to that kind of an invitation and got positive results you did not expect? 3. We get a glimpse of the preparation of the disciples leading to their decision to follow Jesus. They were helped by the interest and concern of Jesus (cured Peter's mother-in-law); attracted by his work and teaching; and witnessed the power of God at work through him. This led them to 'leave everything and follow him'. What has been the story of key decisions or turning points in your life? Who was Jesus for you in those situations?