PARISH OF BALLINAKILL/DERRYBRIEN

<u>Tel: 090 9745021 – Mob: 087- 2492898 – email: frpconroy@eircom.net Saturday / Sunday 4/5 February 2017 '5th Sunday In Ordinary Time'</u>

Masses - Ballinakill:

Sat. 4 Feb.: 8pm (A) Barry Sheil. Sun. 5 Feb.: 11am (A) Joe Sheil.

Mon. 6 Feb.: 9.30am. Tues. 7 Feb.: 9.30am. Wed. 8 Feb.: No Mass. Thurs. 9 Feb.: No Mass. Fri. 10 Feb.: No Mass.

Sat. 11 Feb.: 8pm (A) Patrick Connors.

Sun. 12 Feb.: 11am (A) Bridie & Eamon Dervan, Jimmy

McCormack.

Masses - Derrybrien: Sun. 5 Feb.: 9.30am. Fri. 10 Feb.: No Mass. Sun. 12 Feb.: 9.30am.

Mass Servers:

Saturday: Group 3. **Sunday:** Group 4.

Eucharistic Ministers:

Saturday: Cepta Rourke & Phil Flynn.

Sunday: Margaret Tuohy & Pauline McHugo.

Derrybrien: Feb.: Bernie Egan.

Readers:

Saturday: Adam Spain. **Sunday:** Breda McCormack.

Sunday Collection Teams:

Sunday 5 Feb.: Team C. Sunday 12 Feb.: Team D.

Adoration Of The Blessed Sacrament:

Wednesday 8 – 10pm.

<u>Lotto No's: 5, 12 18, 29. Jackpot €4,800. No Jackpot Winner:</u>
<u>Next Draw</u>: 4/2 in Egan's, Derrybrien. <u>Win / Share €150:</u> James

Lyons, Darcy Family (GPO).

Remembrance Service - Bereaved Parents Portiuncula:

Hospital Chapel on Monday 6 February at 7.30pm.

<u>Unwanted Clothes Collection In Aid Ballinakill Hall Restoration:</u>
<u>Monday 20 March</u>. Clothes/shoes/bed linen/belts/bags/handbags/curtains/laptops/mobile phones. You can drop your bags outside Hall. Please support.

Annual Lourdes Second Basket Collection Will Be Taken Up:

<u>This weekend</u> in aid of the Diocesan Pilgrimage this year and helping to care for the sick people who will travel with us.

Drim National School Enrolment 2017 Tel: 090 9749522:

Enrolment Forms available at the school. Closing Date: Fri. 24 Feb.

Recycling Collection At Drim National School Tues. 14 Feb.:

New/Used Men's, Women's & Children's clothing/shoes/belts/hand-bags/ties /linens/household textiles/stuffed toys. Any condition once they are clean. & mobile phones. Please leave them into school shed by 9.30am on Monday 13 February. Please support.

Welcome Into God's Family:

Abby Leah Gilchrist.

Irish Wheelchair Association Church Gate Collection:

Next weekend 11 & 12 February. Your support would be gratefully appreciated.

History Of Irish Food Conference Saturday 11 March In The:

Irish Workhouse Centre, Portumna will be hosting a free conference titled 'Eaten Bread: The archaeology and history of food production and preparation'. All are welcome.

ASIST Suicide Awareness 2 Day Course:

<u>Friday 10 and Saturday 11 February in the Sheerwater Hotel</u> Ballinasloe. Places are limited. Apply: Mary McGrath, Suicide resource Officer HSE 090 6665071 mary.mcgrath9@hse.ie brian_derrane@hotmail.com

Pope Francis Invites Us To Celebrate St. Valentine's Day:

In his document, 'The Joy of Love' he refers directly to Saint Valentine's Day as an opportunity to make the most of traditional religious practices, invite couples to grow in love and help their children to prepare for their future married life. This is why, as part of the preparations for World Meeting of Families in Ireland in August 2018, we invite you to mark this St. Valentine's Day in a special way. Receive the latest updates on preparations for World Meeting of Families 2018 by email http://www.worldmeeting2018.ie/contact and follow us on social media: Facebook www.facebook.com/wmof2018 and Twitter www.facebook.com/wmof2018

Vacancies on the local Community Employment Scheme (CE):

(1) Grouse & Heather Conservation Project Support Worker based Moyglass/ Woodford area. (2) Day Centre Support Worker based in Portumna. Eligible candidates for community employment interested in working on these projects should forward their contact details and PPS Number immediately to Eddie Finnegan (CE Supervisor) at Abbey Community Centre 090 9745671. Successful candidates will be required to complete a Garda Vetting Application Form and provide two character references.

Ballinasloe Bowling Club Hoping To Increase Membership:

And in particular would welcome new female members. They currently meet twice a week in the Emerald Ballroom - 7.30pm Mondays & 10.30am Thursdays. No cost involved/coaching will be provided by members. A very sociable & enjoyable sport and a great way to keep active and make new friendships. All enquiries to Cyril Dunne @ 087-9836833.

Local Training Initiatives: Landscape & Horticulture Course:

Fetac level 4 award. St. Rynagh's College of Further education, Banagher are running the above course for 26 weeks starting in April 2017. Training on Plant Propagation/Garden Design/Hard Landscaping in Paving/Stonework /bricklaying through a series of practical projects on site and a work placement with an employer, learners will develop the necessary skills to assist them in gaining employment in the industry. Further Info: Please Tel: 087 6835561

Special Pilgrimage To New York From Knock 8-14 May Flying Directly: Ireland West Airport to JFK, Aer Lingus private charter. Full itinerary inc. a special Requiem Mass on Sat. 13 at Old St. Patrick's Cathedral for the reinternment of the remains of John Curry, youngest of the Knock witnesses which will be celebrated by His Eminence Cardinal Dolan. Info: Tel: Joe Walsh Tours 01 241 0800 browyn.clinton@joewalshtours.ie

RHS Home Care is a Non Commercial Home Care Provider Bringing:

Professional home care services to those who need assistance to remain living in their own homes. We are now recruiting new Healthcare Assistants in your area and would love to hear from you. Potential applicants must have the required Fetac/QQI level 5 (2 modules completed care skills/care of the older person). email CV to jobs@rhshomecare.ie or Tel: Aoife on 090 66 25988

<u>Yoga / Meditation: Tuesday Evenings An Gáirdín, Portumna With:</u>
Ruth Ganley. Gentle/Beginners 6.15–7.15pm. Continuation class 7.30–9pm.
Breath/movement/deep relaxation /meditation. Helps to bring about balance and harmony. Tel: Ruth at 087 2434759 or email rutheganley@gmail.com

<u>Medjugorje 24–31 May For 7 Nights – Flights/Accommodation:</u>
Transfers/guides inc. Tel: Michael Mulryan 087 6737888/091 850855.

Seeing Your Life Through The Lens Of The Gospels Matthew 5:1-22:

The blessings in the Beatitudes are primarily future blessings, but there can be an anticipation of the blessings in the present. At first reading, some Beatitudes may seem to describe circumstances that you would like to avoid at all costs. Read them slowly. Stay with each one for a while. Let yourself get a sense of the paradox involved in each one. Perhaps you have had an experience of a deeper and more authentic life, a blessing, when you were poor – you knew your need of God, you mourned – could feel for others, you were meek – self-controlled, neither overly aggressive nor a doormat. You hungered and thirsted for some cause, you were merciful rather than vengeful, you were pure in heart – a person of integrity, whose actions and intentions correspond, you were a peacemaker, you were persecuted because you stood for something.