

PARISH OF BALLINAKILL/DERRYBRIEN

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Saturday / Sunday 8/9 April 2017 'Palm Sunday'

Masses - Ballinakill:

Sat. 8 Apr.: 8pm (A) Johnny, Maureen, Gerard & Fiona Gardiner.

Sun. 9 Apr.: 11am (A) Thomas Gardiner.

Mon. 10 Apr.: 9.30am.

Tues. 11 Apr.: 9.30am.

Wed. 12 Apr.: 9.30am.

Holy Week Ceremonies:

Holy Thursday 13 April: 8pm - Mass of 'The Lord's Supper'.

Good Friday 14 April: 3pm - 'Passion of Our Lord'.

Holy Saturday 15 April: 8pm - 'Easter Vigil': People of Parish.

Easter Sunday 16 April: 11am - 'Mass of Resurrection'.

(A) Annie & Tom Boland & Deceased Family Members.

Masses - Derrybrien:

Sun. 9 Apr.: 9.30am Special Intention.

Holy Thursday 13 April: 6pm - Mass of 'The Lord's Supper'.

Good Friday 14 April: 5pm - 'Passion of Our Lord'.

Easter Sunday 16 April: 9.30am 'Mass of Resurrection'.

(A) Susan Kelly.

Mass Servers:

Holy Thursday: Group 6.

Good Friday: Group 1.

Holy Saturday: Group 1.

Easter Sunday: Group 2.

Readers As Arranged:

Eucharistic Ministers:

Holy Thursday: Bernie Dervan & Mary Daniels.

Good Friday: Marion Sheil & Eugene Casey.

Holy Saturday: Cepta Rourke & Phil Flynn.

Easter Sunday: Margaret Tuohy & Pauline McHugo.

Derrybrien: April: Delta Glynn.

Sunday Collection Teams:

Sunday 9 April: Team D. **Sunday 16 Apr.:** Team A.

Lotto No's: 1, 8, 13, 32. Jackpot €5,700. No Jackpot Winner:

Next Draw: 8/4 in Gorman's, Gurteeny. **Win/Share €150:** Dinny Tuohy, Pauline Kelly, Peter Flaherty, Declan Hynes, Tommy Ward, Marie, Brendan & Dolly.

Trócaire Boxes Available At Church Doors Please Take One:

Home with you and use it during Lent.

New Eucharistic Ministers And Readers:

Needed Urgently.

Collections During Easter:

Holy Places of Pilgrimage: Taken up at Good Friday ceremonies goes to aid Christians in the Holy Land who are being persecuted and for the up-keep of places of worship there.

Priests' Easter Collection: Taken up at all Masses **next** weekend.

Trócaire Boxes: Will be collected on the weekend after Easter.

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confessions) Available:

Monday 7pm Woodford & 8pm Ballinakill: Also after Holy Thursday Ceremony Ballinakill @8pm and after Good Friday Ceremony Derrybrien @5pm or anytime on request.

"The Chrism Mass" Loughrea Cathedral Wed. 12 April 8pm:

Oils will be blessed for use in the coming year for all parishes. Priests renew their commitments. All are welcome to this Celebration.

Adoration & Prayer – Holy Thursday:

Church open until **10pm**. Confessions also available at this time.

Easter Sunday Dawn Mass – In The Millennium Park Ballinakill:

In front of Church Grounds on Easter Sunday at **6am** (sunrise time). A cup of tea well be available afterwards. All are welcome.

Progressive 25 Card Game Good Friday 8.30pm In Ballinakill Hall:

Admission €10. All are welcome. Please support.

Eucharistic Ministers 'Blessing Of Hands':

During the Holy Thursday Ceremonies, at 6pm and 8pm.

Sincere Sympathy Family & Friends of Mary Broderick:

Formerly Carrowcrin. May she rest in peace.

Community Games Sports This Sunday 9 Apr. In Ballinakill Parish Pitch:

Starts 2pm sharp. Events from toddlers to under 16.

Wedding Congratulations To:

Eamon Gallagher, Derrybrien & Sarah Noone who were married recently. Every Blessing on their future lives together.

Easter Triduum Retreat From The Afternoon Holy Thursday 13 April To:

Easter Sunday morning 16 April. 3 days of reflection/ prayer celebrate The Last Supper of the Lord, The Passion of the Lord, and the Resurrection of the Lord. It is a time of quiet preparation for Easter. Contact 091 844549

Annual Pilgrimage To Lourdes 23–28 Aug. All Rooms Private:

Facilities. Hotel Mediterranee €709. 5 Nights/Hotel/Full Board. Inc. Insurance/ Air Fare/Coach/Hotel. Tel: Society Travel 090 96 45350.

God Is Love Tuesday 11 Apr. 8-9pm Abbey Church A Reflective Hour Of:

Prayer/meditation in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament in solidarity with all those who have been wounded by abuses in Mother and Baby homes or by other scandals in our Church. Everyone welcome.

Taughmaconnell Community Care Presents Brendan Shine In Gullane's:

Hotel, Ballinasloe Friday 28 April. Price €15. Dancing from 10pm.

Looscaun/Shannonside Rural Development Group Table Quiz:

Shragh Community Centre Good Friday 14 April - 8.30pm. Light refreshments, Spot Prizes and Raffle. All welcome"

1st Darkness Into Light Walk Loughrea 6 May 4.15am Starting At Fire:

Station in aid of Pieta House. Registration now open online at dil.pieta.ie

Getting Citizens Online Courses Loughrea Computers Shows You How:

Get online/set up send emails/be secure online among other useful info. for beginners. 5 week evening course – 1 evening a week for 2 hours, and is free. Info. Tel: Loughrea Computers on 091 871732.

2017 East Galway Library Art Trail In The Church Gallery Ballinasloe:

Library. Loughrea Photography Club are the 'focus' of this exhibition and the Trail will continue with exhibitions from local artists in Woodford Library 11. All events begin at 7pm on the night. Free admission, refreshments served.

Davitt's Camogie Club Clothes Collection Sat. 15 Apr. Tynagh & Abbey:

Community Centres between 10am & 12pm. Old clothes/footwear/bed linen/ curtains/mobile phones/laptops accepted. Your support greatly appreciated.

6Km Run/Jog/Walk Sunday 9 Apr. 1pm From Shragh Community Centre:

Reg. 12–12.45pm. Entry: Adults €10/Children €5. Family Discounts. Free entry with Sponsorship Card (Minimum €10 per card). Refreshments afterwards. Sponsorship Cards/Enquiries Tel: Mary 087 6152668.

East Galway Art Trial 2017, Woodford Library Hosting A Mixed Media:

Embroidery exhibition Tues. 11 Apr. 7pm. Refreshments served. All welcome.

ACCORD: Catholic Marriage Care Service CLG Seeking A Centre:

Services Support Person for Accord Ballinasloe Centre for eight and a half hours per week. Flexibility in both hours and work responsibilities will be required. Further information available from Mary @ (090) 9643916 or email stmichaelsballinasloe@eircom.net.

Seeing Your Life Through The Lens Of The Gospels Matthew 26:14-27:66:

The account of the Passion is a vivid story with a variety of characters and much action. To enter into the passage we can read the story slowly and see if we can identify with different characters in the story. Also any one scene within the story can provide us with much food for reflection and prayer. Keep in mind that one of the aims in reflecting on the passage is to discover the good news the story has for us. Here are just a few general pointers for prayer: 1. The identity of Jesus is revealed as the Messiah and the Son of God, not with a display of human power, but as one who was prepared to suffer unto death to show us how our God loves us. How does the Passion story speak to you as a revelation of how God loves you? 2. Jesus gives us an example of patient endurance and faithfulness in suffering. Suffering is something we all encounter. It is not something that anyone likes but sometimes we cope with it better than others. What have you found helps you to cope better with suffering? 3. As you read through the narrative of the Passion where do you find yourself resonating with a character in the action? Is there any message there for you that is life-giving?