

**PARISH OF BALLINAKILL/DERRYBRIEN**

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**Saturday / Sunday 23 / 24 June 2018 'Birth John The Baptist'**

**Masses - Ballinakill:**

**Sat. 23 June: 8pm** (A) May Neville, Ballinagar.  
**Sun. 24 June: 11am** (A) Con, Maura, Padraic & Joe O'Connor.  
**Mon. 25 June: 8pm** Curra Cemetery Mass.  
**Tues. 26 June: 8pm** Ballinakill Cemetery Mass.  
**Wed. 27 June: 9.30am.**  
**Thurs. 28 June: No Mass.**  
**Fri. 29 June: 8pm** (A) Sonny & May Conway & Deceased Family Members.  
**Sat. 30 June: 8pm** (A) Larry O'Donnell.  
**Sun. 1 July: 11am** (A) Patrick O'Donnell & Deceased Family Members. Bruton Family.

**Masses - Derrybrien:**

**Sun. 24 June: 9.30am** (A) Pete Slattery.  
**Wed. 27 June: 8pm** Derrybrien Cemetery Mass.  
**Sun. 1 July: 9.30am** (A) Pat Mahony.

**Mass Servers:**

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

**Readers:**

**Saturday:** Claire Glynn.      **Sunday:** Mairead Rafferty.

**Eucharistic Ministers:**

**Saturday:** Mary Daniel.      **Sunday:** Ann Neville.  
**Derrybrien: July:** Delta Glynn.

**Sunday Collection Teams:**

**Sunday 24 June:** Team C.      **Sunday 1 July:** Team D.

**Lotto No's: 16, 19, 23, 24: Jackpot €3,500. No Jackpot Winner:**

**Next Draw:** 23/6 Egan's, Derrybrien. **Win/Share €150:** Peggy Conroy, Mary Rose Donnellan.

**Clonfert Diocesan Pilgrimage Lourdes This Year 28 Aug.-2 Sept.:**

5 nights, hotel, full board, insurance, air fare, coach, €725. Book with Society Travel 090 9645350.

**Young Person From The Parish Required To Travel To:**

Lourdes as a helper. Once again this year the parish is prepared to sponsor this young person. If interested please contact Fr. Conroy.

**Sincere Sympathy To The Family And Friends Of Connie Curley:**

May he rest in peace.

**Pope's Collection Will Be Taken Up:**

At all Masses this weekend.

**A Prolife Mass Will Be Celebrated In Emmanuel House Wed.:**

27 June 7pm. Celebrant Fr. Pierre Pepper cc, Banagher. All those hurt by the outcome of the Referendum; Pro-Life Speakers/Canvassers /huge number of NO voters are invited. Guest Speakers will attend and there will be time for discussion. Refreshments served.

**FYI WMOF2018 Pope's Visit To The Phoenix Park 26 August:**

**10 tickets** are allocated to the parish for a family from the parish to travel to the Papal Mass at 3pm in Phoenix Park or **2 families of 5** members each. Ideally we are anxious to include 3 generations; grandparents/parents/children if possible. If interested contact **Fr. Pat as soon as possible**. In the event that we have more than one family interested, a draw will take place to decide which family receive the tickets. **Knock:** The Pope will do a brief visit to Knock on that same morning Sunday 26 Aug. A bus could be arranged to travel from the parish that morning if enough people are interested. I need to know that **IMMEDIATELY** as tickets will be available on-line this **Monday morning 25 June** and these tickets will go immediately. Only 45,000 people will be permitted in Knock for Health/Security/Safety reasons. **Please contact Fr. Pat TODAY** if interested in travelling to Knock on 26 Aug. If you need assistance with booking on-line, help is available if required on **Monday 25 June at 11am for an hour** in the Parochial House. If interested **contact Fr. Pat TODAY**.

**Cemetery Masses Are As Follows – All @ 8pm:**

**Curra:** Monday 25 June. **Ballinakill:** Tuesday 26 June. **Derrybrien** Wednesday 27 June. The usual Gate Collection will be taken up at the Mass for the upkeep and maintenance of the cemeteries.

**Woodford / Looscaun Pioneer Tour Thursday 5 July Itinerary Includes:**

Johnstown Castle, Sandles, Hook Head Lighthouse, Wexford. Bus leaving Woodford 7.45am, Looscaun 8am. Adults €25, Students €15. If interested Tel: Mary O'Gorman 090 9749073. Teresa Ryan 090 9749053. All are welcome.

**Yoga 6 Week Beginners Course Starting Tuesday 3 July In The Slieve:**

Aughty Centre, Kylebrack 7.30-8.30pm. Tel: Erika 087 740 4482. facebook.com/yogaislandyoga

**Loughrea Family Resource Centre Help With Smart Phone/Tablet:**

Offered every Tuesday morning by appointment, Tel: 091 871149 for details. Head massage or reflexology appointments available on Thursday 28 June at a reduced cost of €20. Proceeds to support the Family Resource Centre Counselling Service 091 871149. The Monday Women's Circle is having a Craft Exhibition and get together Monday 25 June 11am-1pm, at the Centre. All Welcome Refreshments will be served.

**Upcoming Events At Drim National School Deadline For Submission Of:**

Articles & Photos for the school's Centenary Book is **Sat. 30 June**. Centenary Celebrations will be held in the school on **Sun. 16 Sept. @ 2pm**. All welcome.

**Esker Monastery Family Fun Day/ Dog Show Will Be Held In:**

The Monastery Grounds this Sunday 24 June 1.30pm. All welcome.

**Ramblers United Urgently Seeking New Volunteers To Assist With:**

The running of our club. To prepare for the summer soccer camp/new season in September. We are kicking off a recruitment drive to bring in new coaches/volunteers. **Without the support of the community, the club will not be able to guarantee a structured framework to support our kids playing soccer. Long term, if the situation does not improve, the club may have no option but to shut down altogether.** Please contact club via email / text / Tel: if you would like to volunteer an hour/two a week to support us. Annual AGM takes place in Leitrim Hall Thurs. 28 June @ 8pm to discuss this serious issue. Your attendance will be appreciated.

**Landed Estates Conference Irish Workhouse Centre With The Support Of:**

The Heritage Council & Galway Co. Co. 30 June. Capacity limited. email info@irishworkhousecentre.ie. Tel: 09097 59200.

**'THRIVE' New Summer Camp Aimed To Support 6<sup>th</sup> Class Students With:**

Transition to secondary school, is being hosted in Athenry 7 - 10 Aug. All Students welcome. Info./facebook [careerguidancegalway.com](http://careerguidancegalway.com). Tel: Margaret 086 1952533.

**BA (Hons) in Religious Studies Applications Invited For BA (Hons) In:**

Religious Studies at (GMIT), commencing in September.

**Aware Recruiting Volunteers – Support Line Support Mail:**

Support & Self Care Groups & Life Skills Online. No prior qualifications/ experience required. Comprehensive training and ongoing support / education provided. Info. [www.aware.ie/volunteering](http://www.aware.ie/volunteering) or Tel: Emma 01-2374926.

**Seeing Your Life Through The Lens Of The Gospels Luke 1:57-66, 80:**

1. The birth of John the Baptist was an occasion of great joy for family/friends. Recall occasions when you celebrated the arrival of a baby. What thoughts and feelings did you have? Use the memory to reflect on the wonder of your own life and give thanks for it. 2. There is often a story behind the name given to a child. What story lies behind your name? Perhaps it says something of the hopes your parents had for you, or the memories they wanted you to retain. 3. 'What will this child become?' The Baptist was to become a herald pointing the way to Jesus. In our turn we are also called to point people towards a better way of life. Recall times when you were able to point somebody in a direction that helped. Give thanks for those who have done the same for you. 4. The child grew and the hand of the Lord was with him. As you look back on your own growth and development, were there things that happened about which you now say 'the hand of the Lord was with me there'?