

PARISH OF BALLINAKILL/DERRYBRIEN

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Saturday / Sunday 2 / 3 September 2018 '22nd Sunday In Ordinary Time'

Masses - Ballinakill:

Sat. 1 Sept.: 8pm (A) Tommy & Mary Madden.
Sun. 2 Sept.: 11am (A) Pat Joe & Sarah Sheil.
Mon. 3 Sept.: No Mass.
Tues. 4 Sept.: 9.30am.
Wed. 5 Sept.: 9.30am.
Thurs. 6 Sept.: 9.30am.
Fri. 7 Sept.: 9.30am.
Sat. 8 Sept.: 1pm Liz Seymour Stacey RIP.
8pm People of Parish.
Sun. 9 Sept.: 11am (A) Margaret, Patrick J., Frank, Mary Ann
& Francis Murray.

Masses - Derrybrien:

Sun. 2 Sept.: 9.30am (A) Margaret & John Cunningham.
Fri. 7 Sept.: 7pm.
Sun. 9 Sept.: 9.30am (A) P. J. Cunningham.

Mass Servers:

Saturday: Group 1. **Sunday:** Group 2.

Readers:

Saturday: Teresa Casey. **Sunday:** John Larkin.

Eucharistic Ministers:

Saturday: Margaret Tuohy. **Sunday:** Eugene Casey.
Derrybrien: Sept.: Margaret Slattery.

Sunday Collection Teams:

Sunday 2 Sept.: Team A. **Sunday 9 Sept.:** Team B.

Lotto No's: 8, 13, 15, 30. Jackpot €4,400. No Jackpot Winner:

Next Draw: 1/9 O'Connor's, Moyglass. **Win/Share €150:** Keith Hayes, Bert, Jodie, Donie.

First Friday Visits To The Sick And Housebound Will Take:

Place next Friday & Saturday morning at the usual times.

Centenary Celebration Drim National School Sunday 16 Sept.:

With tree planting @ 1.30pm followed by Mass @ 2pm. All are welcome.

Unwanted Clothes Collection In Aid Of Ballinakill Hall:

Monday 24 September. Clothes, shoes, bed linen, belts, bags, handbags, curtains, laptops & mobile phones. You can drop your bags outside Hall – or inside if open. Please support.

Centenary Of Stigmata St. Padre Pio 20 Sept. 1918–20 Sept. 2018:

Fr. Angelus O'Neill OFM, CAP, will celebrate Mass followed by blessing with St. Pio's glove in St. Brigid's Church Portumna on Monday 20 Sept @ 8pm. Confessions from 6.30pm.

Yoga/Meditation With Ruth Begins Tuesday 11 September At:

An Gáirdín, Portumna. Gentle/Beginners Class 6.15–7.15pm. Continuation Class 7.30–9pm. Ruth teaches a Holistic System of Yoga which helps to bring about balance and harmony. Suitable for women/men. Tel: Ruth 089 4725113 email rutheganley@gmail.com

Annual Woodford Charity Vintage Run Sunday 2 September:

Vehicles are asked to gather in the old schoolyard Woodford at 11.30am for mid-day start. Proceeds this year are divided between the Cardiothoracic Unit at UCHG and the local Shragh / Woodford Defibrillator groups. Tel: Anthony Hooban 086 6388 722 or Paul Tuohy 087 2885635.

Anam Cara Galway Organisation Supports Bereaved Parents:

Information evening on Wednesday 5 September @ 7:30pm in the Clayton Hotel, Monivea Rd, Ballybrit, Galway. RSVP info@anamcara.ie before Tuesday 4 September or Tel: Information Line on 085 2888 888.

Raheen N.S. Quansboro-School Reunion Fri. 14 Sept. Gullane's:

Hotel Ballinasloe. Tel: 087 8729080. raheenreunion@gmail.com

2018 Shorelines Art Exhibition Opening @ 7pm 2 Sept. Continues Until:

16 Sept. Tel: 087 6319890. www.shorelinesartsfestival.com/calling-all-artists

Nominations For Family Carers Ireland Are Being Sought For The:

CarePlus Pharmacy Carer of the Year/Young Carer of the Year. If there is a Family Carer who you feel should be recognised/rewarded for the extraordinary levels of care they provide to a loved one, fill in form on www.familycarers.ie by 14 Sept. Tel: Family Carers Ireland, Barrack St. Loughrea (091) 880418.

Rosary On The Coast For Life And Faith Ireland Following The Passing:

Of the referendum removing the protection for unborn babies in Ireland we ask you to come and pray the Rosary on the Coasts of Ireland on 7 Oct. for the protection of unborn babies and the strengthening of the Catholic Faith here. Sign up to a location. www.coastalrosaryireland.ie

Beginning Experience Programme For Men/Women Who Have Lost A:

Spouse through death / divorce / separation, 19 - 21 October. Esker Retreat Centre, Tel: Gerry 086 3855090 / Maureen 087 6646896.

Foyer of Charity Silent Retreat: Theme: If You But Knew The Gift Of God:

Preached by Fr. Killian Byrne Venue: 17 – 23 Sept. Esker Retreat Centre, Athenry. Cost: €380 full board hellywilliams@gmail.com Tel: Helen: 086 1678027, www.foyerofcharity.ie Come away...all by yourselves and rest for a while (Mk 6: 31).

Galway's Hidden Heritage Lecture Series 2018 Aughrim Visitor Centre:

Free lectures discussing a variety of interesting topics relating to East Galway 7 Sept. at 2pm. Discover Loughrea's Heritage Trail Walk / other interesting sights. Tel: 09096-73939 battleofaughrim@galwaycoco.ie

Seeing Your Life Through The Lens Of The Gospels Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23:

1. Certain sections of the Jewish people put great store on the importance of rules and conventions as a measure of the goodness of a person. Jesus challenges this view. Where have you seen goodness in unconventional people? What brought it home to you that being a good person meant more than getting appearances right? 2. Even fidelity in religious practice is not enough. 'This people honours me with their lips, but their heart is far from me'. How have you experienced the importance of carrying your faith beyond attendance at Mass on Sundays? When have you seen that in others? What brought this home to you? 3. What Jesus seeks are followers whose faith is whole-hearted and warm, people whose religion is not primarily in dutiful observance but in their enthusiasm for life and their care for one another. It is good to be with them. Give thanks for the people you know who are like that. 4. 'It is from within, from the human heart, that evil intentions come.' It is also from within that good intentions come. We have choices. When have you been faced with the choice between good and evil? When did you realise the importance of accepting responsibility for your own life and choices? How has this helped your growth as a person?

THE DEEPEND: 'Every Generous Action Is A Gift From God':

The 2nd reading today reminds us that as Christians we are called to put our faith into practice; every generous action is a gift from God. St James speaks of the word that is planted within each of us and through that word we are sent out to work together for a more just world. From 1 September until the Feast of St Francis on 4 October Christian churches are encouraged to celebrate the Season of Creation. This is an annual celebration of prayer and action inviting us to think more deeply about what is happening at present to the Earth and the environmental destruction which threatens our world. The theme this year is 'Walking Together'. As pilgrims, let us walk together to awaken again to the wonder of the Earth, our common home, and the web of life which it shelters. In the gospel Jesus tells the Pharisees that it is what comes out of a person that defiles a person, emphasising how through our actions we show what is in our heart. Let us encourage one another during this Season of Creation by praying with and for creation; encouraging small actions in our homes and parishes to try to live more sustainable lives. 'God has written a precious book, whose letters are the multitude of created things. From panoramic vistas to the tiniest living form, nature is a constant source of wonder and awe ... Alongside revelation in sacred Scripture, there is a divine manifestation in the blaze of the sun and the fall of night'.