

ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH, BALLYHAUNIS

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MASSES:

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday 10.00am. Saturday Evening Vigil: 7.30pm.

Sunday: 10.00am. & 12.00

CONFESSIONS: Before Saturday Vigil Mass

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: Wed. & Thurs. 3.00 - 7.00pm. Friday: 10.30am. - 8.00pm.

BAPTISMS: Saturdays & Sundays 11.00am. Minimum of two weeks' notice required. Contact the parish office, 094-9630006.

ANNIVERSARY MASSES 26th NOVEMBER - 2nd DECEMBER 2018

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday 10.00am. Saturday 7.30pm.

Margaret & William Tarpey, Rookfield, Knock & Larganboy

Geraldine Hunt, Lecarrow & Joe Fahey

David, Ann, John & Mary Fitzmaurice, Mountain & Forthill

Mary Connolly, Lecarrow

Decd. Sisters of Mercy, Ballyhaunis

Thomas & Nora Greene & decd. Knox St.

Thomas & Margaret Lyons & decd. Main St.

Michael A. & Nora Keane, Annagh, & Margaret Keane, Coventry

John, Anne, Sean & Andy Glynn, Carrownedan

Kevin & Gretta Jordan & decd. Annagh

Jack & Bridget Mary Halpin & decd. of the Caulfield & Halpin Families, Main St. & Abbey St.

Stephen Griffin, Tavanaghmore, James, Annie & Andrew Casserly, Ballinlough

Catherine Lyons & decd. New York, Richard & Eileen Davey, Manchester

Stephen, Geoffrey & Ann Whittaker, Cheshire

John, Nora & Sean Hopkins

Owen, Mary & Teresa Kilduff, Barrack St. & decd. of the Kilduff Family

Michael & Una Comer, Glenamaddy, & decd. of the Comer & Hurley Families

Alfred Webb Jnr. Tooraree

Sunday 10.00 First Anniversary: Vera Waldron, Scrigg

1/2 DECEMBER	7.30pm.	10.00 am	12.00
MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST	Justina Lyons	Eileen Lynch	Breda Davis
	Paul Sykes	Mary Sykes	Bernie Quinn
	Michael Goulding	Margie Gallagher (NH)	Mary Ryan
	Orla Moran	Mary Freeley	Patricia Plunkett
	Joe Byrne	Mary McGuire	Mary T. Griffin
READERS	Norrie Dillon	Anne Durkan	Brendan Donnellan
COLLECTORS FOR DECEMBER	Pat Devine	James Sloyan	Peter McCafferty
	Michael Egan	Martin Finan	Vincent Higgins
	Seamus Mulrennan	Anthony Plunkett	Seamus Coffey
	Ann Curley	Mike Griffin	Liam Lyons

WEEKDAY READERS

Monday: Jarlath Fahey
 Tuesday: Liam Devaney
 Wednesday: Mary Donnelly
 Friday: Martin Fitzmaurice

Offertory Collection 17/18 Nov. €1,680

Recently Deceased

We remember in our prayers
 Mary McDonagh, St. Gerald's Crescent
 Jerzy Smaga, Poland
 Lena Caffrey, Carnbeg, mother of Mairead Murphy, Brackloon
 Pat Dunleavy, Swinford & Manchester, brother-in-law of Michael Nolan & Anne 'Shaughnessy

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INTRODUCTORY RITES: THE PENITENTIAL ACT This time in the Mass offers us an opportunity to prepare to receive Eucharist by reflecting on the things that we might have done during the past week for which we need forgiveness. We are reminded that God always loves us. One of the ways in which God shows this love is by always forgiving us for those times when we haven't been as good as we might have been. There are different kinds of prayers that the priest can use at this part of the Mass. These prayers do two things. They help us to remember the times when we haven't been as good as we might have been. More importantly they remind us of God's love for us. Sometimes the priest may replace the Penitential Act with the blessing and sprinkling of water as a reminder of our Baptism.

'DO THIS IN MEMORY' First Communion Preparation Programme takes place at the 7.30 Mass this Saturday evening, 24th November.

'YOU SHALL BE MY WITNESSES' Confirmation Preparation Programme: Session 2 will take place on Tuesday 27th November at 8.00pm. in Scoil Íosa.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING will be held on Monday 26th November at 8.00pm. in the Parochial Hall.

MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST, READERS, COLLECTORS: In order to comply with new data protection regulations, the parish must have written permission of all whose names are published in the parish newsletter on a regular basis, i.e. Readers, Ministers of the Eucharist, Collectors etc. You are asked to come to the Parochial Hall on Monday night, 26th November at 9.00pm. to sign consent forms - it will only take a few minutes.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL COLLECTION: The annual Christmas collection in aid of Ballyhaunis St Vincent de Paul Society will be taken up on the weekend of 8/9 December. The need for SVP's services has increased in recent years and your support in helping those most vulnerable in our community is greatly appreciated.

PARISH CHRISTMAS CARDS: Christmas cards with two new designs are now available in the sacristy. Cost €6 for a pack of 10.

SENIOR CITIZENS CHRISTMAS PARTY will be held on Sunday 9th December in Clare Court Communal House. Dinner at 1.00pm. followed by music and entertainment. Forms are available in the church porch.

BLESSING OF THE CRIB & TURNING ON BALLYHAUNIS CHRISTMAS LIGHTS: Sunday 25th November at the Square starting at 4.30pm. with the Blessing of the Crib kindly officiated by Fr. Stephen Farragher, followed by carol singing by Ballyhaunis Community School Choir. At 5.00pm. a special visitor will turn on the lights, and Santa will be dropping by to say hello to all the children. A great family fun evening. Thank you to all involved in making this event possible.

MAYO SPCA CHRISTMAS CRAFT FAIR takes place this Sunday 25th November starting at 10.00am. in the Parochial Hall. Lots of stalls, tombola, raffles, competitions to be won - and hopefully Santa will be able to join in the fun!

BLESSING FOR EXPECTANT MOTHERS: On Saturday 1st December at 12 noon at Knock Shrine, there will be a special blessing ceremony for all parents who are expecting a baby. It will include a short prayer for protection and safe delivery with an individual blessing for all mothers-to-be who are present. All welcome.

ONLINE ADVENT RETREAT: Reflect on the Advent and Christmas Gospels in a way that helps shine God's light on your life. Watch one online talk per week in your quieter moments. Begins on Sunday 2nd December. To register visit www.prioryinstitute.com Phone 01-4048124.

THE BRONNTANAS APPEAL aims to provide Christmas presents for children whose parents may not be in a position to afford them throughout County Mayo. Currently volunteers are needed to buy the gifts. For details contact Bronntanasmayo@gmail.com or Teresa on 087 9962152.

THE FIRST SATURDAYS DEVOTION takes place in Knock Parish Church next Saturday December 1st. Starts at 11.00am with Rosary, meditations, and concludes with Holy Mass at 12.00 noon, Confessions and Enrolment of the free brown scapulars. All are welcome.

TABLE TENNIS - Juniors: Tuesdays 6.00 - 8.00pm. Adults: Thursdays 6.00 - 8.00pm. in the Parochial Hall. Coaching provided. All welcome. Enquiries to 087-3256133.

NOLLAIG NA mBAN LADIES LUNCHEON: Sunday 6th January 2019 at 1.00pm. in The Lodge at Ashford Castle Cong, in aid of Western Alzheimers. Drinks reception & The Mulberry String Quartet, 3 Course Sunday Lunch. An ideal Christmas gift! Tickets must be purchased in advance . Phone 094 93 64900.

FINAL GLAS TRAINING DAY Saturday 1st December. This is the final chance to complete the training as per the terms and conditions of the scheme. Call Siobhan at Ward Agricultural Consultants, 087-9193371 to book your place.

TEA/COFFEE EVENING in aid of Motor Neurone Disease Association, in Ballyhaunis golf clubhouse, Friday 30th Nov. 8.00 - 11.00pm. Auction for signed Mayo jersey. All welcome.