

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 3rd – 9th DECEMBER 2018

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

Mary Shaw & decd. Island

Nell Donnellan, Ballyhaunis & Strokestown

Mike & Mary Sloyan, Forthill

Decd. Members of Annagh Magazine Society

Barry Butler, Doctor's Road

Michael Hopkins, Island

William & Bridget Curran, Doctor's Road

Bridie & Tom Mulrennan & decd. Gurteen, & Mike Mulrennan, Bracklaghboy

Nell & Tony Waldron & decd. Holywell

Mike Tarmey, Marcella & Walter Fallon & decd. Holywell

Mary Fahey, Lecarrow

Anthony Coyne, Mary & Anthony Coyne Snr. Leenane

Michael Murray, Doctor's Road & Cyril Murray & decd. London

Delia, Clarence & Joe Grogan & Conor Dempsey

Mona Molloy, Gurrane

Pat & Teresa Lyons & decd. Skeghard

Eddie, Noreen & Ted Webb, Main St.

Máisín Meath, Clare St.

8/9 DECEMBER	7.30pm.	10.00 am	12.00
MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST	Irene Healy	Mary Murphy	Eileen Jordan
	Brigid Lynskey	Margaret Tarpey (NH)	Gabrielle Lyons
	Noreen Gallagher	Ger Donnellan	Eileen Donnellan
	Marina Coyne	Mary Keane	Dympna Greally
	Marion Regan	Mary Donnelly	Patsy Flanagan
READERS	Stella O'Neill	Orla Phillips	Elizabeth Jordan
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: Mary Gormley

Wednesday: Freddie O'Brien

Friday: Christina Concannon

Offertory Collection 24/25 Nov. €1,625

Recently Deceased

We remember in our prayers

John Moran, Ballinlough, brother of Bridie Ruane, Johnstown

FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION - Saturday 8th December. Mass will be celebrated at 10.00am. with the usual Vigil Mass at 7.30pm.

PARISH CHRISTMAS CARDS are now available in the sacristy, €6 for a pack of 10.

Diamond ring found at Ryan's Super Valu, enquire at the sacristy.

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GLORIA: The Gloria is a very old prayer of praise and thanksgiving. The first few lines will sound familiar because it was the song sung by the angels when Jesus was born in Bethlehem. We do not pray the Gloria during the seasons of Advent and Lent.

OPENING PRAYER: After the Gloria the priest will invite us to pray. The prayer begins in silence. This gives us time to talk to God in our hearts. We might want to thank God for something good that has happened or we might want to ask God to take care of something that we are worried about. Then the priest takes all our prayers and offers them to God. The words of the Opening Prayer differ from Sunday to Sunday and reflect the theme of the Mass. We respond by saying 'Amen'. Amen means that we believe that whatever God does is OK with us.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY will take place at the 12 o'clock Mass this Sunday, 2nd December. Children aged 4 - 8 years are invited to attend.

CHRISTMAS GREETING TO EMIGRANTS: As in previous years, we will shortly be sending Christmas cards to our emigrants overseas. If you have family members who you think would appreciate a card from the parish, please hand in or email the names and addresses to the parish office during the coming week. **Also please advise us of any change of address for those to whom we sent cards last year.**

'WALK WITH ME' Advent booklets containing daily prayers and reflections for Advent and Christmas are available in the church this weekend. Cost €2.

HOLY HOUR: A Holy Hour will be held on Sunday 9th December from 7.00 - 8.00pm. It will include the Rosary, meditations and Advent reflections. It will also mark the conclusion of the 33 Days To Morning Glory, which finishes on Saturday, December 8th. All are welcome to attend.

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.

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.

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.

A PRESENT TO YOURSELF FOR ADVENT! A week of Guided Prayer in Knock from Sunday 9th to Saturday 15th December. This will involve an initial meeting on Sunday 9th at 4.00pm in the Prayer Centre in Knock, with the opportunity for a short individual meeting with a Prayer Guide each day. Contact Patricia McCarthy on 086 1021532 or email prayerguidance@knockshrine.ie for details.

EDDIE STONES of Emmanuel House of Providence, Clonfert, will bring his powerful ministry of healing to St. Patrick's Church on Friday week, December 14th at 7.00pm. for an evening of prayer and healing. Eddie is under the ecclesiastical authority of Bishop of Clonfert John Kirby. A number of priests will be available on the evening for anybody wishing to avail of the Sacrament of Confession. The initiative is coordinated by the Parish Pastoral Council.

ALL-NIGHT VIGIL AT KNOCK SHRINE December 7th – 8th The Vigil Ceremonies commence with Confessions from 10.00pm. in the Chapel of Reconciliation and Vigil at 12 Midnight on Friday 7th in the Basilica with Rosary, Stations of the Cross and Holy Hour with Fr Brendan Walsh SCA. Concelebrated Mass will take place at 4.00am. with His Excellency Archbishop Okolo, Papal Nuncio. Concelebrants are Fr Brendan Walsh, Pallotine, Thurles and Fr Lawrence CFR, Franciscan Friars of the Renewal. Information on organised coaches travelling to the vigil can be found at www.knockshrine.ie

MONTHLY FILM NIGHT AT THE FRIARY: Thanks to all for joining the great attendance at the November film night at the Friary. The next film night is on Monday 10th December at 8.00pm. with two short films courtesy of the Irish Film Institute followed by a feature documentary. All welcome. Free entry, tea and coffee served. Organised by the Abbey Partnership.

GARRYMORE DRAMA GROUP presents 'The Year of the Hiker' by John B. Keane in the Parochial Hall on Friday 7th December at 8.00pm. All are welcome.

MONDAY MEETS 55+ at Clare Court Communal House continues on Monday 3rd of December with Flower Arranging Class (cost €10) for members only. Monday 17th December there will be a festive Bingo session followed by Christmas refreshments.

ANNAGH MAGAZINE: The 2018 edition of Annagh will be on sale during the week in all the usual outlets.

ISPCC would like to thank all who contributed to, and collected for their recent collection which amounted to €466.75.

Meeting of Mayo Branch of Retired Civil & Public Servants Association: Wednesday 5th December at 11.00am. in Travellers Friend Hotel, Castlebar. Guest Speaker, Sharon Cameron, Environmental Awareness Officer, Mayo County Council.