

# 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 9th - 15th JULY 2018**

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

John & Sighle Forde, The Square

Val, Sharon & Anita O'Dowd, Station Rise

John, Richard, Bridget & Bridie Lanigan, Ballyhaunis

Joe Greene, Main St.

Oliver Mullarkey & decd. Tullaghane

Paddy Morley, Woodpark, Howard Morley, Derrymore

Julia & Michael McCarthy, Beech Park

Peter & Kathleen Regan, Agloragh

Decd. of the Cribbin Family, Moneymore

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

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### **Sunday 10.00 First Anniversary**

Pat Byrne, Johnstown

Jane Culliney, Leow

14/15 JULY	7.30pm.	10.00am.	12.00
<b>MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST</b>	Mary Goulding	Aileen Burke	Mary T. Griffin
	Seamus Mulrennan	Geraldine Murphy	Eileen Jordan
	Justina Lyons	Cait Webb (NH)	Eileen Donnellan
	Orla Loftus Moran	Dolores Byrne	Dympna Greally
	Joe Byrne	Eileen Lynch	Patsy Flanagan
<b>READERS</b>	Stella O'Neill	Mary Finan	Alacoque McManus
<b>MASS SERVERS FOR JULY</b>	Lucy Phillips	Ava McCormack	Jamie & Jack Nolan
	Alex Byrne	Jake Powers	Liam Hill
	Nathan O'Toole	Jason Powers	Aishat Rasaq
	Lochlann Waldron	Adam Kelly	Isaac Owusu
		Igor Raczynski	Aaron Williams

#### **WEEKDAY READERS**

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

Offertory Collection 30 June/1 July €2,371

**PRIESTS' SUMMER COLLECTION:** Sincere thanks to all who contributed so generously to the Priests' Summer Collection.

**ANNUAL CEMETERY MASS** will be celebrated on Sunday next, 15th July at 3.00pm. in the cemetery.

**BALLYHAUNIS FAITH & LIGHT GROUP** are holding a BBQ this Sunday 8th July from 2.00 - 4.00pm. in Clare Court Communal House. People with learning disabilities, their families and friends are invited to join the group for the BBQ. Local organisers, Anne Lyons; 087-6892848, Julia Kelly; 086-0764709, Orla Phillips.

**PIONEER & MATT TALBOT PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK** Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> July, all Pioneers are invited to attend.

#### **LAUNCH OF 'KNOCK PRAYER BOOK'**

All are invited to the launch of Fr Richard Gibbons' 'Knock Prayer Book' on Saturday 14 July at 1.30pm. in St John's Rest & Care Centre, Knock Shrine. The book is a collection of prayers inspired by Knock and what it means to all the pilgrims, visitors, volunteers and parishioners that make up its story. The prayers range from Novena prayers to Our Lady of Knock to prayers for workers, families, hospitality, healing, nature and even dogs! Archbishop Michael Neary will officially launch the book. All are welcome.

## **FUNERAL ETIQUETTE: Sensitivity towards the bereaved**

In Ireland we have a wonderful tradition of supporting people when a loved one dies. At a time of death the bereaved family are carried along on a tide of community support as neighbours and friends take over the hospitality that is extended to those who wish to sympathise with the bereaved family. In recent times the Funeral Home has afforded the opportunity for people to offer their sympathy in an orderly and dignified way.

For us as Catholic Christians the focal point of the rituals surrounding death is the Funeral Mass when we gather as a community of faith to celebrate the life of the deceased person and to renew our faith in the resurrection, the central mystery of our faith. Family members of the deceased partake in the funeral liturgy through proclaiming the Word of God, the Prayer of the Faithful, music and reflections etc.

Here in our parish we allow some time at the end of Mass, before the final procession, for people to offer their sympathy to the family in a dignified and orderly manner, by coming up the centre aisle and down by the side aisle. Before the celebration of the Funeral Mass we allow the bereaved family to have some sacred space to prepare for the Mass and to co-ordinate the various aspects of the funeral liturgy.

**A practice has developed in our parish of people queuing before Mass to offer their sympathy, thus encroaching on the space that the family need at this sensitive time. I respectfully ask that sympathisers discontinue this practice.**

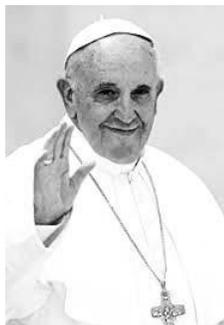
*Fr Stephen*

**ANNUAL DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES** will be led Archbishop Neary from 21st to 26th July. For details contact Sheila at 086 8664633 or 093 24639.

**LOUGH DERG:** 1 day pilgrimage to Lough Derg on 1st September from Knock. Bookings to Michael Rattigan 087 2929372 or Patsy on 094 9631198

**ART EXHIBITION** by Hina Khan in Ballina Arts Centre, from 6th July to 25th August. All are welcome. [www.hinakhan.info](http://www.hinakhan.info)

**Relics of Saint Thérèse of Lisieux** and her parents Saints Louis and Zélie Martin, will come from Lisieux to Ireland to coincide with the World Meeting of Families 2018. They will be in Knock Basilica on Wed. 8th August from 11.00am. - 5.30pm.



*Pope Francis teaches the meaning of the Mass at his Wednesday audience..!*

Let us continue with the catechesis on the Holy Mass. The Liturgy of the Word - on which I focused in the last catecheses - is followed by the main part of the Mass which is the Liturgy of the Eucharist.

In it, through its holy signs, the Sacrifice of the new covenant sealed by Jesus on the altar of the Cross is made continually present by the Church. The Cross was the first Christian altar, and when we approach the altar to celebrate Mass, our memory turns to the altar of the Cross where the first sacrifice was made. The priest, who represents Christ in the Mass, does what Christ himself did and entrusted to the disciples at the Last Supper: he took the bread and the cup, gave thanks, gave it to his disciples and said: "Take, eat ...drink: this is my body....This is the cup of my blood. Do this in memory of me".

Obedient to Jesus' commands, the Church organised the Eucharistic Liturgy into moments which correspond to the words and the actions performed by him on the eve of his Passion. Thus in the preparation of the gifts, the bread and the wine - that is, the elements which Christ took into his hands - are brought to the altar.

In the Eucharistic Prayer, we give thanks to God for the whole work of redemption, and the offerings become the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ. This is followed by the breaking of the Bread and Communion, through which we relive the experience of the Apostles who received the Eucharistic gifts from Christ's own hands.

Therefore, in the symbols of the bread and the wine, the faithful place their offering in the hands of the priest who places them on the altar, or the Lord's Table, "which is the centre of the whole Liturgy of the Eucharist". ([girm, 73](#)). Thus, the centre of the Mass is the altar and the altar is Christ. Jesus' first gesture: "he took the bread and the cup of wine", thus corresponds to the *preparation of the gifts*.

This is the first part of the Liturgy of the Eucharist. It is praiseworthy that the faithful should present the bread and wine to the priest because they symbolise the spiritual offering of the Church assembled for the Eucharist. It is good that the faithful themselves bring the bread and wine to the altar.

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[http://w2.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/audiences/2018/documents/papa-francesco\\_20180228\\_udienza-generale.html](http://w2.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/audiences/2018/documents/papa-francesco_20180228_udienza-generale.html)