

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

All that you have done to us, O Lord, you have done with true judgement, for we have sinned against you and not obeyed your commandments. But give glory to your name and deal with us according to the bounty of your mercy.

GREETING

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**
The Lord be with you.
And with your spirit.



PENITENTIAL ACT

Lord Jesus, you came to gather the nations into the peace of God's kingdom: Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**
You come in word and sacrament to strengthen us in holiness: Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**
You will come in glory with salvation for your people: Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**
May almighty God have mercy on us...

THE GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.



OPENING PRAYER

O God, who manifest your almighty power above all by pardoning and showing mercy, bestow, we pray, your grace abundantly upon us and make those hastening to attain your promises heirs to the treasures of heaven. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING **Amos 6:1. 4-7**

A reading from the prophet Amos.

The almighty Lord says this:
Woe to those ensconced so snugly in Zion and to those who feel so safe on the mountain of Samaria. Lying on ivory beds and sprawling on their divans, they dine on lambs from the flock and stall-fattened veal; they bawl to the sound of the harp, they invent new instruments of music like David, they drink wine by the bowlful, and

use the finest oil for anointing themselves, but about the ruin of Joseph they do not care at all. That is why they will be the first to be exiled; the sprawlers' revelry is over.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM **Ps. 145:6-10**

R. My soul, give praise to the Lord.

1. It is the Lord who keeps faith for ever, who is just to those who are oppressed. It is he who gives bread to the hungry, the Lord, who sets prisoners free. **[R]**
2. It is the Lord who gives sight to the blind, who raises up those who are bowed down. It is the Lord who loves the just the Lord, who protects the stranger. **[R]**
3. He upholds the widow and orphan but thwarts the path of the wicked. The Lord will reign for ever, Zion's God, from age to age. **[R]**

SECOND READING **1 Timothy 6.11-16**

A reading from the first letter of St. Paul to Timothy

As a man dedicated to God, you must aim to be saintly and religious, filled with faith and love, patient and gentle. Fight the good fight of the faith and win for yourself the eternal life to which you were called when you made your profession and spoke up for the truth in front of many witnesses. Now, before God the source of all life and before Jesus Christ, who spoke up as a witness for the truth in front of Pontius Pilate, I put to you the duty of doing all that you have been told, with no faults or failures, until the Appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ, who at the due time will be revealed by God, the blessed and only Ruler of all, the King of kings and the Lord of lords, who alone is immortal, whose home is in inaccessible light, whom no man has seen and no man is able to see: to him be honour and everlasting power. Amen.

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice, says the Lord.
I know them and they follow me.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL **Luke 16:19 - 31**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

Jesus said to the Pharisees: 'There was a rich man who used to dress in purple and fine linen and feast magnificently every day. And at his gate there lay a poor man called Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to fill himself with the scraps that fell from the rich man's table. Dogs even came and licked his sores. Now the poor man died and was carried away by the

angels to the bosom of Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried.

'In his torment in Hades he looked up and saw Abraham a long way off with Lazarus in his bosom. So he cried out, "Father Abraham, pity me and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am in agony in these flames." "My son," Abraham replied, "remember that during your life good things came your way, just as bad things came the way of Lazarus. Now he is being comforted here while you are in agony. But that is not all: between us and you a great gulf has been fixed, to stop anyone, if he wanted to, crossing from our side to yours, and to stop any crossing from your side to ours."

'The rich man replied, "Father, I beg you then to send Lazarus to my father's house, since I have five brothers, to give them warning so that they do not come to this place of torment too." "They have Moses and the prophets," said Abraham, "let them listen to them." "Ah no, father Abraham," said the rich man, "but if someone comes to them from the dead, they will repent." Then Abraham said to him, "If they will not listen either to Moses or to the prophets, they will not be convinced even if someone should rise from the dead."

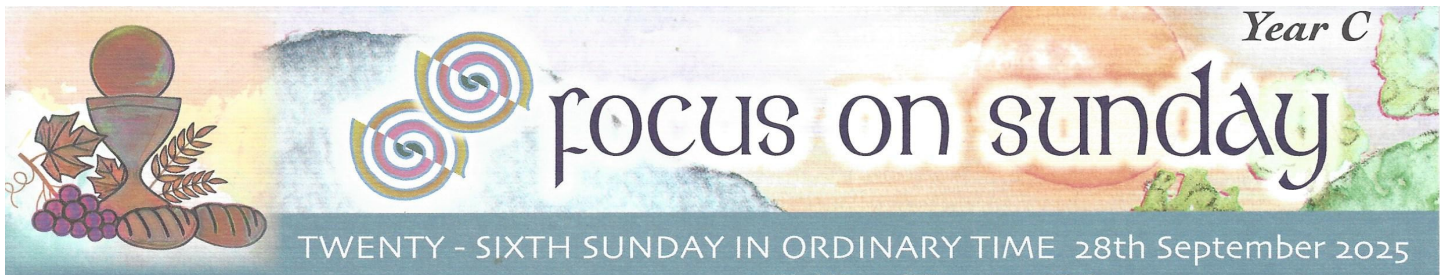
The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

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I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven,

All bow for following three lines:

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.



LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Pray brothers and sisters,
May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Grant us, O merciful God, that this our offering may find acceptance with you and that through it the wellspring of all blessing may be laid open before us. Through Christ our Lord.

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Lord be with you.
And with your spirit.
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them up to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right and just.

SANCTUS

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

AFTER THE CONSECRATION

The mystery of faith.
When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.

INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

Behold the Lamb of God,
Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Remember your word to your servant, O Lord, by which you have given me hope.
This is my comfort when I am brought low.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

May this heavenly mystery, O Lord, restore us in mind and body, that we may be coheirs in glory with Christ, to whose suffering we are united whenever we proclaim his Death. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

CONCLUDING RITE

The Lord be with you.
And with your spirit.

Go in peace,
Thanks be to God.



World Day of Migrants and Refugees
The difference between wealth and poverty in the lives of many people is the theme of today's gospel: the story is a parable we can apply to our own lives, - we cannot sit by contented in our own situations while our brothers and sisters are in want. Christ shared his love with us: we must do likewise.



Have you ever not had enough to eat and you could do nothing about it? Like being away somewhere and nowhere open. Maybe in hospital? But you know that tomorrow or later maybe you will get something better.

There are millions worldwide who are only at point 1, and never know if they will get anything more.

The story is about those with plenty and those with little. With hungry people who are ignored by others. About knowing that it is the will of God that nobody be hungry this night, but that God depends on his people to feed them. 'The point of the story is not to promote the idea of 'pie in the sky when you die'. It is rather an attack on the greed and selfishness in a world of plenty that leaves the poor excluded.

If this was a problem in biblical times, it pales into insignificance when we consider today's world and the scale of the misery experienced by so many'.

What can one person do? We did not individually cause the problem of world hunger. But we can all be part of the solution. Do we waste a lot of food – but we know even if we don't throw out the wasted food at dinner, the poor won't get it. Pope Francis said that wasted food is food stolen from the poor! We know that in fact that the world can produce enough food to feed everyone.

Even small gestures remind us of the pain of others if we offer some food to someone hungry, or to pay for a burger or a breakfast, or volunteer in food centres. We may talk with hungry people and treat them with dignity. This helps us feel their feelings. Without that we can pass by, and the dogs were kinder to Lazarus than many of his own people. The voice of the poor calling for help here and elsewhere is the cry of Jesus in the world.

We pray for those who care for the hungry in day centres and can financially help them. Sometime today hold a small bowl of rice in your hand, or one slice of bread, and remember that this is all many have to eat for today.

Give to all this day O Lord their daily bread. May we help you do this.

Donal Neary SJ, Editor Sacred Heart Messenger

Jesus' Story

Fr. Liam Hickey

Some people don't like today's story, because they think that God punishes people. God cannot punish or be angry. God can only love and forgive. Jesus tells us that the way of love is to care. Some people have a lot of money. Some people have not enough money for their needs. God loves both. The way of happiness for both is to care. Sometimes we pretend that we don't see the need of another. Sometimes we have to take risks to help, but God is always with us.

ST. PATRICK’S CHURCH, BALLYHAUNIS

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MASSSES:

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

CONFESSIONS:

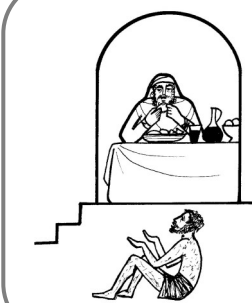
Before Saturday Vigil Mass

EUCCHARISTIC
ADORATION

Between 9am & 7pm daily.

BAPTISMS

First Saturday & third Sunday
of the month at 11.00am.
Minimum of four weeks’
notice required. Contact the



ANNIVERSARY MASSES 29th SEPT-4th OCT. 2025

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

Tommie Carroll, Knox St.

Decd. members of the Hoban, Enright & McCoy families of Derrynacong, Dublin &
Dundalk

Mary E. Hunt, Lecarrow & decd.

Patrick & May Burke, Redford & decd. of the Cribbin, Prendergast & Burke families
Vincent & Kathleen Caulfield, Upper Main St.

Chris Gaffney Nolan & decd. of the Gaffney & Nolan families

Bridann Halpin Keane

Sadie O’Connor (née Kenny), London & Crimlin

SUNDAY 5th OCTOBER—FIRST ANNIVERSARY

Fr. William Byrne, Dalgan Park & Main St.

29 SEPT-5 OCT.	READERS	MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST
Monday	Martin Fitzmaurice	Joe Byrne, Marie Brennan
Tuesday	Tommy Caulfield	Breege Halpin, Frances Mulhern
Wednesday	Mary Donnelly	Margaret Byrne, Marion Regan
Friday	Christina Concannon	Willie Broderick, Irene Healy
Saturday 7.30pm	Maeve Donnellan	Deirdre Browne, Eileen Jordan, Mary T. Griffin, Jenny Glynn
Sunday 10am	Brendan Donnellan	Mary Sykes, Margaret Tarpey, Aileen Burke, Geraldine Murphy

COLLECTORS FOR OCTOBER

Sat. 7.30pm	Eamonn Egan, Patsy Glynn, Pat Devine, Ann Curley
Sunday 10am	Kieran Fitzmaurice, Richard Waldron, Mike Griffin, Seamus Coffey

MASS SERVERS FOR OCTOBER

Sat. 7.30pm	Team C: Kleber Lucas, Joao Miguel de Oliveira Guerra, Luis Philipe Da Cruz, Heliosa Neves, Hellena de Oliveira Guerra
Sunday 10am	Team D: Hazel Murphy, Fionn Finnegan, Séan Monaghan, Hannah Toparowska, Milan Bednarec

Recently Deceased - We remember in our prayers:

Margaret Fitzmaurice, Forthill
Mary Rochford, Gurteen;
Teresa (Tess) Waldron, Redford

Offertory Collection

Sun. 21st Sept. 2025
€1,765

All weekday and weekend Masses continue to be broadcast on parish radio 105.2 FM and streamed on the parish webcam: <https://www.mcn.live/camera/st-patricks-church-ballyhaunis> or on our website: www.ballyhaunisparish.ie

PRIESTS’ AUTUMN COLLECTION: The envelopes for the Priests’ Autumn Collection are available in the Sacristy this weekend. **We would be grateful if the distributors could collect them after Mass & distribute in their areas.**

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION will take place in our parish on Saturday 16th May 2026 at 11am. A meeting for the parents of First Holy Communion candidates will take place **this Tuesday evening 30th Sept at 8pm** in the Ballyhaunis Community Hall (opposite the Church). Please attend if your son/ daughter wishes to receive his/her First Holy Communion next May.

CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE ANNIVERSARIES:

Couples celebrating a significant wedding anniversary in 2025 are invited to attend the annual Diocesan Marriage Anniversaries Mass, celebrated by Archbishop Francis Duffy, in Tuam Cathedral on Sunday 12th Oct. at 3pm, with refreshments served afterwards in St. Jarlath’s College. If you plan to attend, please send names and the number of family members attending to info@tuamparish.com, or contact the local Parish Office.

CHILDREN’S ROSARY & EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

on Friday 3rd October at 5.30pm in the Blessed Sacred Chapel, Knock Shrine. For children & teens of all ages, including those new to praying the Rosary. Under-18’s must be accompanied by a parent/guardian. For details, call 087 2299623 or visit www.childrensrosary.org

MINDFULNESS: Free 6-week Mindfulness Course will be held at Ballyhaunis Family & Community Resource Centre at the Friary on Wednesdays from 8th October from 10am to 12pm. Learn simple practices to reduce stress, calm the nervous system and build present-moment awareness. Open to adults 18+. Book at info@ballyhaunisfrc.ie or call Ann on 083 8914956

AGE STRONG, LIVE LONG EVENT: Celebrate International Day of Older Persons at a free event in Breaffy GAA Clubhouse, Castlebar on Wednesday 1st October from 1.30pm. A day dedicated to promoting healthy aging and longevity, organised by the Mayo Integrated Care Programme for Older People, featuring a panel of expert speakers ready to answer questions on all aspects of ageing and living well in Mayo. Phone 094 9049291 to register, or get your free ticket on www.eventbrite.ie

MONTHLY MINI VIGIL AT KNOCK SHRINE takes place on Friday 3rd October from 9pm to midnight in the Parish Church. Before the vigil, Confessions are available from 8pm to 9pm in the Chapel of Reconciliation. All welcome.

TUAM CANCER CARE are hosting a talk on cancer-related lymphoedema on Tuesday 7th October at 7pm in the Ard Rí Hotel, Tuam. The talk will be given by Elaine Grehan, registered MLD therapist. Booking for this free talk is essential as places are limited. Contact 093 28522.

BLESSING OF PETS: Bring along your beloved pet to Knock Shrine for a special blessing of pets at 11am on Saturday 4th Oct., the feast of St. Francis of Assisi, patron saint of animals.

ABBEY PATTERN: The Abbey Pattern has been rescheduled for this Sunday 28th September in the Friary Field, starting at 2pm, with children’s races, novelty events, face painting, bouncy castles and dog show. All welcome.

HOSPICE TEA / COFFEE MORNING: Cill Tulach ICA will host a Coffee Morning & Cake Sale this Sunday 28th Sept. from 11.30am to 2.30pm in Granlahan Community Centre, in aid of Mayo/Roscommon Hospice and Cancer Care West. Your Support would be greatly appreciated.

BALLYHAUNIS ACTIVE RETIREMENT would like to thank the bakers, musicians and all who supported their Hospice Tea Day on Wednesday, which raised €630 for this worthy cause.

ANNAGH 2025: Work continues on preparing Annagh 2025. PROs & secretaries of local clubs & organisations are reminded to send in reports as soon as possible. An invitation is extended to all newly-married couples to submit their photos for the ever-popular wedding gallery. Written contributions & photots can be emailed to info@annaghmag.ie or given to committee members: Tommy Caulfield, Noreen Ruane Dalton, John Kilduff, Eddie Mulhern, Seamus Mulrennan, Jim Lundoon, Nell Rochford, Mike Griffin, Gabriel Smith or Paul Waldron. The deadline for receipt of material is Friday week 10th October.

Recently Baptised

We welcome into the Faith Community:
Rían Mulrennan, Bracklaghboy Village

CHIME: Services for the Deaf & Hard of Hearing. Outreach clinic in the Old Health Centre, Vicar Street, Tuam next Friday 3rd Oct. from 10am to 1pm. Hearing aid maintenance, advice on equipment and information on all aspects of hearing loss. Ring Tony for more information or appointment on 086 8341318 or email Tony.dolan@chime.ie

CASTLEBAR LIBRARY AFTERNOON TALKS:

“**Navigating the world of AI**”: Adrian Weckler, Technology Editor of Independent News, will speak about all things related to artificial intelligence on Wednesday 1st Oct. at 12.30.
“**Putting Your House In Order**” on Friday 3rd October. Plan your legal, medical, financial and personal affairs for the future with the Irish Hospice Foundation, Age Friendly Mayo and Mayo County Library. Free workshop from 1.30 to 3.30pm. For more details, call Castlebar Library on 094 9064010.

INDOOR SOCCER FOR YOUTHS & KIDS in Ballyhaunis Community School Gym on Friday evenings for 5 sessions. **Soccer for Youths** from 6pm to 7.15pm for children born between 2011 and 2013. **Soccer for Kids** from 5pm to 6pm for boys & girls aged 5 to 8 years. Booking essential due to limited spaces. Contact Tracy Cunnane on 086 0618126

STATIONS: Anyone wishing to host a Station Mass in their home this October or November can contact the Parish Office 094 9630006 to arrange.

BINGO starting in Aghamore Community Centre on Wednesday 1st October at 8.30pm. All welcome.