

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Tell among the nations his glory, and his wonders among all the peoples, for the Lord is great and highly to be praised.

GREETING

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, Amen.

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, you have willed that your Church be the sacrament of salvation for all nations, so that Christ's saving work may continue to the ends of the ages; stir up, we pray, the hearts of your faithful and grant that they may feel a more urgent call to work for the salvation of every creature, so that from all the peoples on earth one family and one people of your own may arise and increase.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ,

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING Exodus 17:8-13

A reading from the book of Exodus

The Amalekites came and attacked Israel at Rephidim. Moses said to Joshua, 'Pick out men for yourself, and tomorrow morning march out to engage Amalek. I, meanwhile, will stand on the hilltop, the staff of God in my hand.' Joshua did as Moses told him and marched out to engage Amalek, while Moses and Aaron and Hur went up to the top of the hill. As long as Moses kept his arms raised, Israel

had the advantage; when he let his arms fall, the advantage went to Amalek. But Moses' arms grew heavy, so they took a stone and put it under him and on this he sat, Aaron and Hur supporting his arms, one on one side, one on the other; and his arms remained firm till sunset. With the edge of the sword Joshua cut down Amalek and his people.

**The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps. 120

R. Our help is in the name of the Lord who made heaven and earth.

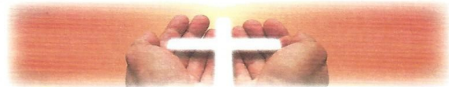
1. I lift up my eyes to the mountains:
from where shall come my help?
My help shall come from the Lord
who made heaven and earth. [R]
2. May he never allow you to stumble!,
Let him sleep not, your guard.
No, he sleeps not nor slumbers,
Israel's guard. [R]
3. The Lord is your guard and your shade;
at your right side he stands.
By day the sun shall not smite you
nor the moon in the night. [R]
4. The Lord will guard you from evil,
he will guard your soul.
The Lord will guard your going and
coming both now and for ever. [R]

SECOND READING 2 Timothy 3:14 - 4:2

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

You must keep to what you have been taught and know to be true; remember who your teachers were, and how, ever since you were a child, you have known the holy scriptures – from these you can learn the wisdom that leads to salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All scripture is inspired by God and can profitably be used for teaching, for refuting error, for guiding people's lives and teaching them to be holy. This is how the person who is dedicated to God becomes fully equipped and ready for any good work.
Before God and before Christ Jesus who is to be judge of the living and the dead, I put this duty to you, in the name of his Appearing and of his kingdom: proclaim the message and, welcome or unwelcome, insist on it. Refute falsehood, correct error, call to obedience – but do all with patience and with the intention of teaching.

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Thanks be to God.**



GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our mind, so that we can see what hope his call holds for us. Alleluia!

GOSPEL Luke 18:1-8

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

Jesus told his disciples a parable about the need to pray continually and never lose heart. 'There was a judge in a certain town ' he said 'who had neither fear of God nor respect for man. In the same town there was a widow who kept on coming to him and saying, "I want justice from you against my enemy!" For a long time he refused, but at last he said to himself, "Maybe I have neither fear of God nor respect for man, but since she keeps pestering me I must give this widow her just rights, or she will persist in coming and worry me to death.'" And the Lord said, 'You notice what the unjust judge has to say? Now will not God see justice done to his chosen who cry to him day and night even when he delays to help them? I promise you, he will see justice done to them, and done speedily. But when the Son of Man comes, will he find any faith on earth?'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

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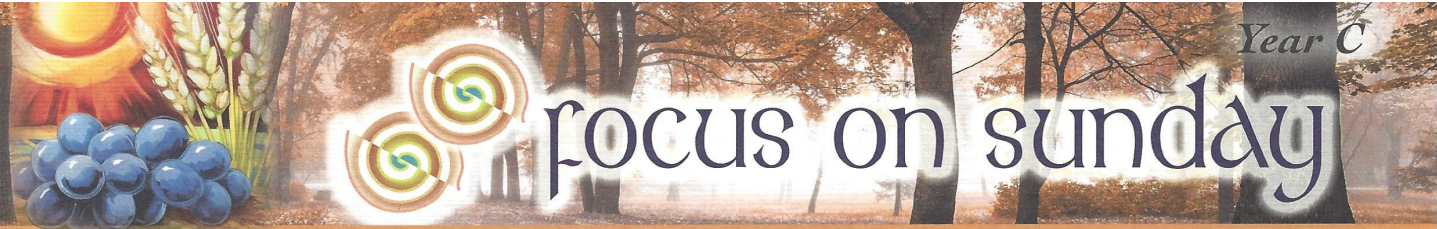
I believe in one God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.
I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God, begotten, not made,
consubstantial with 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

May the offerings and prayers of your Church, O Lord, rise up in the sight of your majesty and gain acceptance, just as the glorious Passion of your Son was pleasing to you for the salvation of the whole world.
Through Christ our Lord.

EUCCHARISTIC 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.

PREFACE VII OF ORDINARY TIME

(Mission Sunday)

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give you thanks, Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God.
For you so loved the world that in your mercy you sent us the Redeemer, to live like us in all things but sin, so that you might love in us what you loved in your Son, by whose obedience we have been restored to those gifts of yours that, by sinning, we had lost in disobedience.
And so, Lord, with all the Angels and Saints, we, too, give you thanks,
as in exultation we acclaim:

SANCTUS

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.....

AFTER THE CONSECRATION

The mystery of faith.
We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection 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

Go into all the world, and proclaim the Gospel, says the Lord. I am with you always.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

May our participation at your table sanctify us, O Lord, we pray, and grant that through the Sacrament of your Church all nations may receive in rejoicing the salvation accomplished on the Cross by your Only Begotten Son.
Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

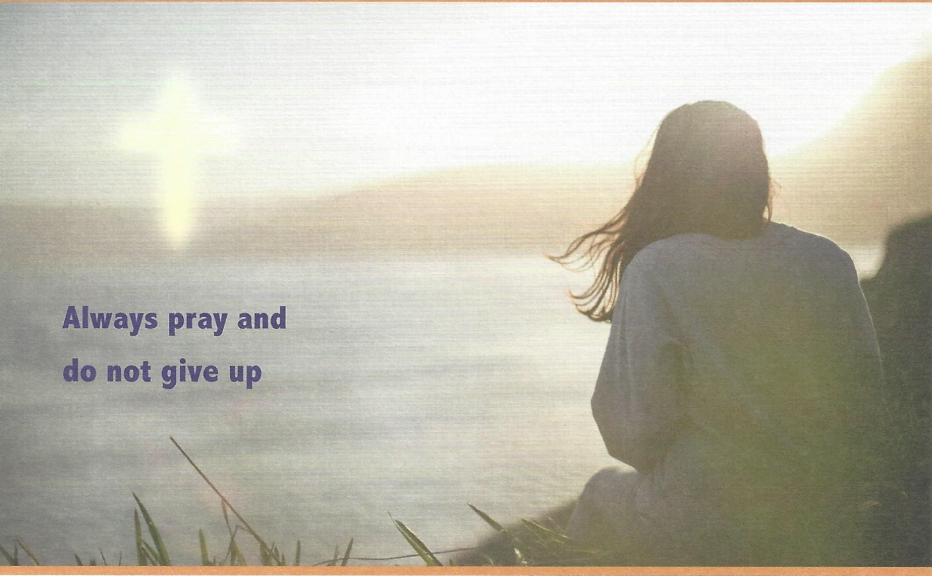
CONCLUDING RITE

The Lord be with you. **And with your spirit.**
Go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life.
Thanks be to God.

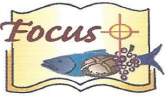
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World Mission Sunday

The mission entrusted to each one of us is - to be courageous and generous in spreading the Good News so that Christ's kingdom will extend to the ends of the earth.



**Always pray and
do not give up**



This clever gospel story starts off a teaching on prayer. Persist; keep at it. It was someone looking for rights. The woman had the right to help from the judge. He was a sort of welfare officer and so it was like going to welfare and having to knock on windows, and almost plead for what is your right.

Jesus uses this as an example ---- God wants justice for the world more than any judge. The woman had rights and it was his job and responsibility as a judge to ensure they were met. The poor have rights – to food, shelter, education, water, health care, as well as many freedoms. The rights of one are the responsibility of the other. Jesus would be tireless in working for justice for all.

Jesus is one who kept at things – emphasising his message during his life regularly. He was persistent with working for getting a better world. Like people working for peace. How long it took to get peace or a drug free locality. ..people kept at it. Or cleaning up areas of drugs.

We pray often to try to change God; God wants us to pray so that we change ourselves and pray for what is good for us as the woman did. Prayer guides us into generosity, to the common good, as well as the good of ourselves. It also guides us into forgiveness and mercy.

Like Moses kept the arms up in prayer, .and was helped, we need the same in our prayer and our work for God. Prayer is one big part of Christian life – action for justice is the other and love binds it together, love of God, love of the neighbour, love of those near especially and those far, then we are like Moses holding our hands to God helping and helped by each other.

Donal Neary SJ, Editor Sacred Heart Messenger

Jesus' Story

Fr. Liam Hickey

Jesus encourages us to pray. God Our Father knows all our needs and answers our prayer in ways that are best for us. Sometimes we forget that praying is not talking all the time, but listening to what God has to say. God has billions of voices, but a special voice is at Mass, when we bless our mind, lips and heart, to listen to His Voice from The Bible. It is good to read His Word, before Mass, or after Mass. There is always a word from God to help us on our way.

ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH, BALLYHAUNIS

PARISH NEWSLETTER 19th OCTOBER 2025

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MASSES:

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
parish office, 094-9630006.



ANNIVERSARY MASSES 20th-25th OCT. 2025

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

Katie, Thomas & Carmel Johnston, Knox St.

Tom & Mary Cunningham, Abbey St.

Seamus, Tom & Nellie Lyons, Ballinastoka

Joe Keane, Knox St.

Peter & Mary Boyle, Coolnafarna

Thomas & Margaret Ruane, Derrintogher

John McNamara & decd. Brackloon

Rev. Joseph Joseph

Kathleen & Jimmy Mulligan, Devlis

Patrick Mulligan, New York & Frankie Mullligan, Florida

Msgr. Terence Nolan, Tooreen & San Antonio, Texas

Robert & Julia Lilly, Tully

Bernie Joe Lyons & decd. Skeghard

SUNDAY 26th OCTOBER-MONTH'S MIND

Anne Marrinan, Knock Road

Margaret Fitzmaurice, Forthill

Teresa (Tess) Waldron, Redford

Vincent Freyne, Clare St.

20th-26th OCT.	READERS	MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST
Monday	Liam Devaney	Marion Regan, Irene Healy
Tuesday	Tommy Caulfield	Breege Halpin, Helen Freeley
Wednesday	Mary Donnelly	Margaret Tarpey, Mary Sykes
Friday	Christina Concannon	Willie Broderick, Mary Freeley
Saturday 7.30pm	Stella O'Neill	Joe Byrne, Anne Carney, Laura Brogan, Helene McCafferty
Sunday 10am	Willie Ryan	Dympna Greally, Helena Byrne, Gilmar Neves, Eileen Donnellan

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

The 10am Mass on Sunday 19th October will also be broadcast live on Midwest Radio on 96.1FM

Recently Deceased - We remember in our prayers:

John Henry, Crossard, Tooreen-brother of Seamus Henry, Upper Main St;
Mary Carty, Knock, mother-in-law of John Higgins, Knock Road;
Rita Keogh, Killoe, Co. Longford-sister of Breege Keogh Kenny, Abbeyquarter

PPC MEETING: The October meeting of the Parish Pastoral Council takes place this Monday evening 20th at 8.30pm in the Ballyhaunis Community Hall.

PRIESTS' AUTUMN COLLECTION: Sincere thanks to those who have already returned envelopes for the Priests' Autumn Collection. Your ongoing generosity & support is appreciated. Envelopes can be returned at Masses or to the parish office. For those wishing to make an online donation to the Priests' Account, the IBAN is IE97 AIBK 9374 4421 3423 54.

FUNERAL MINISTRY: Training for our new Parish Funeral Ministry Team continues in Ballyhaunis Community Hall this Tuesday evening 21st October, and again on 4th & 11th November from 7.30 to 9.30pm each night. Tea/ coffee will be available from 7pm.

MISSION SUNDAY: This Sunday 19th Oct. is World Mission Sunday, the Pope's annual appeal for spiritual and financial support, so that the life-giving work of overseas mission and missionaries can continue. The theme this year is: "Missionaries of Hope Among All Peoples". Pope Leo XIV has recorded a video message to mark the day, in which he asks every parish in the world to help support missionaries who are working and serving in the remotest corners of the earth, and in which he recalls his own missionary experience in Peru. The Holy Father's video message is available on the Vatican.va and Vatican news websites. The World Mission Sunday Mass, which will be broadcast on RTE One & the RTE Player at 11am this Sunday, will also include the Pope's video message. Funds raised on World Mission Sunday help communities to build churches, schools, clinics & parish halls; support the training of priests, sisters & religious brothers and support programmes that care for children's wellbeing. For more information or to donate,, call Missio Ireland on 01 4972035 or visit www.missio.ie

BOARDS OF MANAGEMENT 50th ANNIVERSARY:

This month marks 50 years since the establishment of Boards of Management in our Catholic primary schools, and it's an opportunity for us to give thanks for the many people who have served our schools over the past five decades. We honour their dedication, vision and hard work, and we pray for the future of education, that Boards of Management will continue to adapt to the changing needs of society.

BALLYHAUNIS TIDY TOWNS: Next meeting is on Thursday 23rd October at 7pm in the Community Hall. New members welcome.

MEN OF ST. JOSEPH: The next monthly meeting of the Tuam Men of St. Joseph group takes place on Sunday 26th Oct. at 7pm in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel, Tuam. Guest speaker is Prof. Robert McNamara who will speak about men's role in the family & society. Men of St. Joseph was established to promote faith, formation & fraternity among Christian men in the Tuam Archdiocese. Enquiries to frmarkquinn@tuamparish.com

SENSORY-FRIENDLY MASS at Knock Shrine on the last Sunday of every month at 12.30 in St Joseph's Chapel in the HUB. A special invitation is extended to any person with sensory issues. The liturgy of the Mass does not include music, while lighting in the chapel is subdued, with pictorial resources for those with additional needs. All are welcome.

AS I AM will hold a public information evening this Tuesday 21st October at 7pm in the Communal House, Clare Court as part of the efforts to have Ballyhaunis accredited as an Autism Friendly Town. All welcome.

ENABLE IRELAND MAYO SERVICES require family support workers/ PA in all areas of Co. Mayo to work with children with a disability. Staff usually work one-on-one with a child within their home, but also within the community or at centres throughout Mayo. Hours required are usually afternoon/evenings and Saturdays. Training is provided. If interested, email shehir@enableireland.ie or call Steven on 085 8622573.

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP meets at 11am every Wednesday morning in the Family Centre, Knock. For further information, call Monica Morley, Knock Shrine on 094 9375320.

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND: Step away from the busyness of life, reconnect with your spouse and rediscover the joy of your marriage. An experience to enrich, renew and refresh your relationship. Takes place from 7th to 9th November in the Focolare Centre, Prosperous, Co. Kildare. For information & bookings, visit www.marriageencounter.ie

RESEARCH WORKSHOP: Are you a parent, grandparent or childminder caring for a child under 5 and available on Tuesday 21st October? Mayo County Council's Creative Communities team and Mayo County Library will host a workshop in Ballyhaunis to learn more about the lives of young children and their caregivers in the area, and how the library and other initiatives could better support them. 8 to 12 caregivers are needed to take part in this friendly, relaxed research session, where caregivers can share their experiences & ideas. Tea, coffee & lunch will be provided along with soft play materials for children. If you wish to attend, contact Anna Livia Cullinane on 087 7543308.

PARENT & TODDLER GROUP meets every Wednesday morning from 10am to 12 in Ballyhaunis Community Hall. Open to all 0-3 years old and their parents & carers.

BALLYHAUNIS FAMILY & COMMUNITY RESOURCE

CENTRE will launch their 2024 Annual Report and new website in the Community Hall on Wednesday 22nd Oct. at 7pm. All welcome.

Offertory Collection
Sun. 12th Oct. 2025
€1,960

BIKE REPAIR CLINIC will be held in Ballyhaunis Community Hall next Saturday 25th Oct. from 9.30am to 12.30pm

COFFEE MORNING: The Lyons family, Knockbrack would like to thank all who supported their recent tea/coffee day, which raised over €8,000 for Mayo/ Roscommon Hospice. Your support & friendship is much appreciated.

TABLE QUIZ in aid of Mayo SPCA next Thursday 23rd Oct. at 8.30pm in Ballyhaunis Rugby Club, Doctor's Road. €40 for table of four. Lots of prizes & spot prizes. All welcome.

MYSTERY GAMES EVENING: Gather your team and trust your wits to solve crimes & mysteries on Sunday 26th Oct. from 4pm to 6pm in Ballyhaunis Community Hall. Available games: Only Murders in the Building, Cryptic Killers, The Traitors. All