

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

You are just, O Lord, and your judgement is right; treat your servant in accord with your merciful love.

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 healed the sick:
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

Lord Jesus, you forgave sinners:
Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**

Lord Jesus, you give yourself to heal us
and bring us strength:
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, by whom we are redeemed
and receive adoption,
look graciously upon your beloved
sons and daughters,
that those who believe in Christ
may receive true freedom
and an everlasting inheritance.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ.....

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING *Ezekiel 33: 7 - 9*

A reading from the prophet Ezekiel

The word of the Lord was addressed to me as follows, 'Son of man, I have appointed you as sentry to the House of Israel. When you hear a word from my mouth, warn them in my name. If I say to a wicked man: Wicked wretch, you are to die, and you do not speak to warn the wicked man to renounce his ways, then he shall die for his sin, but I will hold you responsible for his death. If, however, you do warn a wicked man to renounce his ways and repent, and he does not repent,

then he shall die for his sin, but you yourself will have saved your life.'

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM *Ps. 94:1-2, 6-9*

R. O that today you would listen to his voice!

Harden not your hearts.

1. Come, ring out our joy to the Lord;
hail the rock who saves us.
Let us come before him, giving thanks,
with songs let us hail the Lord. **[R]**

2. Come in; let us bow and bend low;
let us kneel before the God who made us

for he is our God and we
the people who belong to his pasture,
the flock that is led by his hand. **[R]**

3. O that today you would listen to his voice!

'Harden not your hearts as at Meribah,
as on that day at Massah in the desert
when your fathers put me to the test;
when they tried me, though they saw
my work.' **[R]**



SECOND READING *Romans 13: 8 - 10*

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans.

Avoid getting into debt, except the debt of mutual love. If you love your fellow men you have carried out your obligations. All the commandments: You shall not commit adultery, you shall not kill, you shall not steal, you shall not covet, and so on, are summed up in this single command: You must love your neighbour as yourself. Love is the one thing that cannot hurt your neighbour; that is why it is the answer to every one of the commandments.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!
Your word is truth, O Lord,
consecrate us in the truth.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL *Matthew 18: 15 - 20*

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'If your brother does something wrong, go and have it out with him alone, between your two selves. If he listens to you, you have won back your brother. If he does not listen, take one or two others along with you: the evidence of two or three witnesses is required to sustain any charge. But if he

refuses to listen to these, report it to the community; and if he refuses to listen to the community, treat him like a pagan or a tax collector.

'I tell you solemnly, whatever you bind on earth shall be considered bound in heaven; whatever you loose on earth shall be considered loosed in heaven.

'I tell you solemnly once again, if two of you on earth agree to ask anything at all, it will be granted to you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three meet in my name, I shall be there with them.'

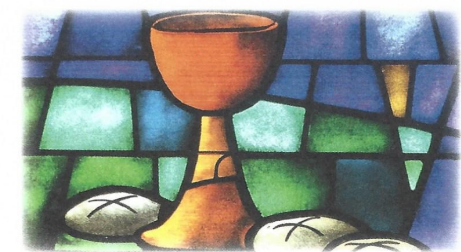
The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

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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

O God, who give us the gift of true prayer and of peace,
graciously grant that through this offering,
we may do fitting homage to your divine
majesty, and, by partaking of the sacred
mystery, we may be faithfully united in mind
and heart.
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.

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.
Save us, Saviour of the world, for by your
Cross and Resurrection you have set us
free.

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

I am the light of the world, says the Lord; whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Grant that your faithful, O Lord,
whom you nourish and endow with life
through the food of your Word and heavenly
Sacrament,
may so benefit from your beloved Son's
great gifts that we may merit an eternal
share in his life.
Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

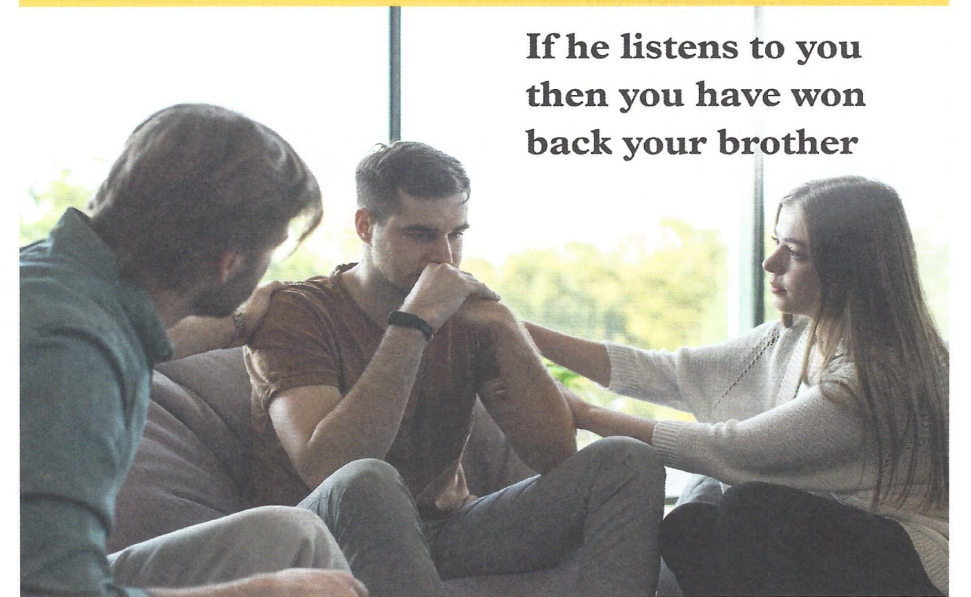
CONCLUDING RITE

The Lord be with you.
And with your spirit.

May the blessing of almighty God,
the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the
Holy Spirit, come down on you and remain
with you for ever.
Amen.

Go in peace. **Thanks be to God..**

The gospel message is one of joy, rooted in the love and care of Christ for everyone. Today Jesus spells out our Christian family duty - to have a responsibility towards each other: we cannot stand by idly and watch others harm themselves.



**If he listens to you
then you have won
back your brother**



Our common home

Matthew chapter 18 is concerned with how the early Christian community might live together in harmony. It reminds us that the church should be a place where the least are considered the greatest and the last first; where we look out for the most vulnerable, where we are accountable to one another and forgive each other. The teaching reminds us that as church, we belong to one another, sisters and brothers, one body (1 Cor 12).

As we enter into the Season of Creation, this is an appropriate text for it invites us to reflect on how we are called to live in harmony. The realities of the ecological crises our world faces today highlights the great disharmony which exists between humanity and God's creation. We are not living in right relationship with the natural world nor with our sisters and brothers who are suffering the most from the climate and biodiversity crises. We are not living in right relationship with young people who are now growing up for "we may well be leaving to coming generations, debris, desolation and filth" (Laudato Si' §161). Pope Francis called the destruction of nature an ecological sin. This is not easy to hear, for it makes demands on us. The good news is that there is a cure. The Season of Creation invites us to a profound interior conversion where our relationship with nature is concerned and asks us to reflect on how we might care more deeply for God's creation. For this is our common home, the home we all share. We are not alone, Christ is with us on this journey: "For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them".

Jane Mellett & Triona Doherty. Adapted from The Deep End – A Journey through the Sunday Gospels in the Year of Matthew, Messenger Publications, Dublin, 2022.

ST. PATRICK’S CHURCH, BALLYHAUNIS

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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 8th-12th SEPTEMBER 2026

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

Patrick & Mary Moran, Tooraree
Bernie, Pado & Jarlath Moran, Tooraree & Alacoque Fleming, Ballinrobe
Gerry Cribben & decd. Tooraree
Tina & Seamus Waldron, Abbeyquarter
Decd. members of the Hoban, Enright & McCoy families, Derrynacong, Dublin &
Dundalk
Tom Eagney & decd. Coolnaha
Margaret Lyons, Leow
Paddy Fitzmaurice & decd. Abbeyquarter
Pat Joe & Elizabeth Lyons, Holywell
Séan Biesty & decd. Carrowkeel
Tom & Nora Moran, Carrownedan & decd. of the Lyons & Moran families
Eamon Burke, Devlis
James & Bridie Toolan, Devlis & decd. of the Toolan & Moran families
Tony & Lily Morley, Abbey St.
Michael & Mary Nolan & decd. of the Nolan & Keane families
Maureen Ruane, Ballincar, Co. Sligo
Monica Longste, Cameroon

7th-13th SEPT.	READERS	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS
Monday 10am	Liam Devaney	Marion Regan, Marie Brennan
Tuesday 10am	Tommy Caulfield	Breege Halpin, Frances Mulhern
Wednesday 10am	Paula Donnellan	Margaret Tarpey, Irene Healy
Friday 10am	Christina Concannon	Willie Broderick, Eileen Jordan
Saturday 7.30pm	Katie Conlon	Lorraine Waldron, Fionnuala Nolan, Marina Coyne, Marion Regan
Sunday 10am	Mike Byrne	Aileen Burke, Geraldine Murphy, Eileen Lynch, Dympna Grealley
COLLECTORS FOR SEPTEMBER		
Sat. 7.30pm	Oliver Cribbin, Kieran Connolly, Peter McCafferty, Gabrielle Lyons	
Sunday 10am	Pat Phillips, Mike Griffin, Eddie Mooney, Martin Finan	

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

Recently Deceased - We remember in our prayers:
Arthur (Sonny) Rabbitte, Larganboy

“LIFE IN THE SPIRIT” SEMINAR continues in St. Patrick’s Church, Ballyhaunis. This Sunday evening 6th September at 7pm, Jim Crossan From the Knights of St. Michael & Knights of the Most Holy Eucharist in Derry will be in Ballyhaunis to give a talk on the Knights of St. Michael. Everyone welcome. The series will conclude next Sunday 13th September. For more details, call Angela on 089 2462524

HARVEST MASS: The annual Harvest Mass will take place in St. Mary’s Abbey (Friary) on Sunday 27th September at 12 noon, followed by the Abbey Pattern.

SEASON OF CREATION 2026 runs from 1st September to 4th October, the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi and unites the Christian family for a worldwide celebration of prayer and action to protect our common home. This year’s theme is “Living Water”, based on Ezekiel 47:1-12, and reminds us that God’s creation is a precious gift entrusted to our care. We are called to actively work together for the renewal of creation. “The earth is God’s gift to us, full of beauty and wonder. It belongs to everyone”- Pope Francis, Laudato Si’.

CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE ANNIVERSARIES: Archbishop Francis will celebrate the annual Archdiocese of Tuam Marriage Anniversaries Mass in Tuam Cathedral on Sunday 11th October at 3pm. Couples celebrating a significant wedding anniversary in 2026 are warmly welcome to attend. Refreshments will be served afterwards in St. Jarlath’s College. If you would like to attend, email info@tuamparish.com or call 093 24250 before Wednesday 7th October. Send the names of the couple attending and the number of family members who will accompany them, for catering purposes.

COFFEE MORNING FOR HOSPICE: Mayo Roscommon Hospice are looking for community groups, individuals, schools or workplaces to host a coffee morning/ evening on National Coffee Morning for Hospice Thursday 24th Sept. or any date that suits. Coffee & posters will be provided. Contact 094 9388666 or email info@hospice.ie

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP meets at the Family Centre, Knock Shrine every Wednesday morning at 11am. Trained facilitators conduct the meetings, providing guidance and support to all who find loss difficult. All welcome. For further information, contact Monica Morley on 094 9375320

MAYO RECOVERY COLLEGE: Autumn/ Winter mental health & wellbeing education modules begin on the following dates in ATU Castlebar with online option also. All welcome. Tuesdays 15th & 22nd Sept. at 10am: “Recovery, Let’s Talk”. Thursdays 17th & 24th Sept. at 5pm: “All About Stress”. To register, email karen@mentalhealthireland.ie or call Karen McHale at 086 0294901

SAFetalk: Suicide Alertness For Everyone. Learn steps to identify suicidal thoughts and connect individuals to suicide first-aid resources. Free training takes place at the Family Centre, Castlebar (F23 PH39) on Tuesday 8th September from 10am to 1.30pm. Over 18’s only. Booking essential by emailing darlene@breakingthrough.org

CROI: Are you recovering from a cardiac event? Join the Croí Heart & Stroke Charity Mayo Cardiac Peer Support Group at the Ellison Hotel, Castlebar on Wednesday 16th Sept. from 6.30pm to 8.30pm. Information will be given on local resources to help you to manage your condition, and connect with others who understand your experience. For further details, contact Croí at 094 9049172

TUAM CANCER CARE will partner with the Marie Keating Foundation to deliver their free “Survive & Thrive” 6-week programme for people who have finished their cancer treatment. The sessions take place in Tuam on Wednesdays 10.30am to 1.30pm from 23rd September. Places are limited so book early. Call Fiona on 087 9657144 or fsullivan@mariekeating.ie

JOB VACANCIES: Accord CLG is seeking an Executive Director who will be the chief executive of Accord and will be responsible for providing strategic & operational leadership across the organisation. Closing date for applications is Monday 28th Sept. For more details, visit www.forvismazars.com/ie/en/executiverecruitment

Offertory Collection
Sunday 30th Aug. 2026
€1,865

APTCS: The Association of Patrons & Trustees of Catholic Schools is seeking to recruit a Faith Formation Officer on a two-year fixed-term contract, based in Maynooth. The deadline for applications is 21st September. Email recruitment@aptcs.ie for details.

ANNAGH MAGAZINE: Work is underway on putting together Annagh 2026, the 49th edition of the annual Ballyhaunis parish magazine. The editorial committee is accepting articles, club reports & photographs to be considered for inclusion in this year’s issue. A special appeal is made to secretaries and PROs of local clubs and organisations to ensure reports and photographs are submitted in good time. Material can be emailed to info@annaghmag.ie or given to committee members: Tommy Caulfield, Noreen Ruane Dalton, John Kilduff, Jim London, Edward Mulhern, Seamus Mulrennan, Nell Rochford, Mike Griffin, Gabriel Smith & Paul Waldron. The deadline for receipt of material is Friday 16th October—just over 5 weeks away. It’s vital that material be submitted before this deadline, due to the pressure on printing works as Christmas approaches.

FILM SCREENING: A screening of the People’s Emergency Briefing film on the threats to Irish & British life from ongoing damage to nature and to our climate will be held in Ballyhaunis Community Hall on Friday 18th September from 7.15pm. The film features footage from last November’s National Emergency Briefing in Westminster, which brought together leading U.K. experts in climate science, food security, health, economics, national security and nature, and it presents an overview of how the climate and nature crisis is affecting everyday life. The film will be followed by a short discussion on what this means for our community. Jointly hosted by Ballyhaunis Community Council and Climate Café Connacht. For more information or to book tickets, email climatecafeconnacht@gmail.com

PUBLIC CONSULTATION on reimagining the former Scouts Den site: Mayo County Council & the Ballyhaunis Abbey Trust thank the local community for their input during the in-person public consultation on reimagining the Scouts Den site which has been vacant for a number of years and has fallen into dereliction. For those who would still like to make their views known, a short online survey is available until 14th September at this link: <https://tbla.eu/scouts-den-boards>

MEMORY WALK: The Mayo branch of the Alzheimers Society of Ireland will hold a Memory Walk on Sunday 20th Sept. around Lough Lannagh, Castlebar, suitable for all levels. We are looking for walkers from all areas of Mayo to join and help raise funds for vital services that support people living with dementia and those who care for them. Meeting point is at 12 noon at the Lough Lannagh Leisure Complex F23 A257. Register for the Memory Walk on www.alzheimer.ie