

Balyna Parish Newsletter

St Mary's, Broadford- St Patrick's, Johnstownbridge- St Brigid's, Clogherinkoe

Second Sunday Easter - 11/12 April 2026

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Masses this Week:

Please note that times can be changed at short notice because of funerals!

Saturday 11 April	Clogherinkoe	6.00pm Mass
Sunday 12 April	Johnstownbridge	9.30am Mass
	Broadford	11.00am Mass
Tuesday 14 April	Broadford	10:00am Mass
Wednesday 15 April	Clogherinkoe	10:00am Mass
Thursday 16 April	Johnstownbridge	10:00am Mass
Friday 17 April	Broadford	7:30pm Mass
Saturday 18 April	Clogherinkoe	6:00pm Mass
Sunday 19 April	Johnstownbridge	9:30am Mass
	Broadford	11:00am Mass

Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 14th April: First Confession for the children of Broadford and Cadamstown National School after 10:00am Mass.

Wednesday 15th April: First Confession for the children of Clocha Rince National School after 10:00am Mass. Thursday 16th April: First Confession for the children of Johnstownbridge National School after 10:00am Mass.

Sunday 7th June: Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock.

Easter Sunday Collection

Many thanks to all who gave so generously to the Easter Sunday collection. This is one of the collections taken up each year from which I derive my income. I am truly grateful to you all for your generous support.

Return of Trōcaire Boxes

Trōcaire Boxes can now be returned to any of the churches during Mass time, or they can be left into the Parish Office during office hours. Sincere thanks to everyone for your donations which will help those less fortunate than ourselves. Every Trōcaire Box returned makes a real and lasting difference in the lives of those most in need.

Sacrament of First Confession

On 14th, 15th & 16th of April the children of our parish, who will receive their First Holy Communion in May, will present themselves for the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time. We keep them and their families in our prayers as the children take this special step in their faith journeys.

Broadford National School: Tuesday April 14th, St. Mary's Church Broadford after 10:00am Mass
Cadamstown National School: Tuesday April 14th, St. Mary's Church Broadford after 10:00am Mass.
Clocha Rince National School: Wednesday April 15th, St. Brigid's Church Clogherinkoe after 10:00am Mass.
Johnstownbridge National School: Thursday 16th April, St. Patrick's Church Johnstownbridge after 10:00am Mass.

National Epilepsy Week

National Epilepsy Week 2026 takes place on 18th May - 25th May. For further information, please visit www.epilepsy.ie/content/national-epilepsy-week-2026-epilepsyweek.

Kildare Older Persons Council Information Morning

Open to all residents in Kildare over the age of 55.

Date: Tuesday April 14th

Venue: Rathangan Community Centre

Time: 10.00.am

Free age friendly taster exercise class beginning at 9.15 Light lunch provided. Registration is not necessary.

Guest speakers include:

- Chair of the Older Persons Council will provide an update on the work completed during the year.
- Local Link will give information about the Door-to-Door service and other transport services in the Kildare area.
- ALONE will speak about their services and about incentives such as energy credits.
- The Kildare Age Friendly Healthy homes programme will provide information on the overall programme which includes, grants, health, housing, social supports and much more.

If you require further information, contact ccashin@kildarecoco.ie /0877212966 or kildareopc22@gmail.co

Anniversaries and Intentions

We remember Philomena (Phil) O'Neill (née Duggan), late of Martinstown, Enfield, Co. Meath who was interred in Broadford Cemetery on Friday. We also remember Larry Kavanagh, Kilglass, Broadford, Kildare, who was interred in Broadford Cemetery on Friday.

Anniversaries for this week-end	Tomasz Bryla (Second Anniversary). Charlie Dunne & the deceased members of the Dunne family. Fergus Walsh. Philomena O'Neill (Month's Mind). William & Marcella Knowles. Christopher & Julia Cummins. James, Elizabeth & Christina Gorman. Mrs Margaret Kane, Calfstown (Fifth Anniversary) and we also remember her husband John Kane & her son Patrick Kane, Ballinderry.
Anniversaries for next week-end	Pa McNamee (Birthday Remembrance). Paddy Flanagan (Fourth Anniversary). Niall Williams (Sixth Anniversary). Peter Loughrey (Second Anniversary).