

# Balyna Parish Newsletter

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

The Ascension of the Lord - 16/17 May 2026

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## Masses this Week:

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

<b>Saturday 16 May</b>	<b>Clogherinkoe</b>	<b>6.00pm Mass</b>
<b>Sunday 17 May</b>	<b>Johnstownbridge Broadford</b>	<b>9.30am Mass 11.00am Mass</b>
<b>Tuesday 19 May</b>	<b>Broadford</b>	<b>10:00am Mass</b>
<b>Wednesday 20 May</b>	<b>Clogherinkoe</b>	<b>No Mass</b>
<b>Thursday 21 May</b>	<b>Johnstownbridge</b>	<b>No Mass</b>
<b>Friday 22 May</b>	<b>Broadford</b>	<b>No Mass</b>
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## Dates for your Diary

**20<sup>th</sup> May 2026 -23<sup>rd</sup> May 2026:** Balyna Parish Pilgrimage to Lourdes

**24<sup>th</sup> May 2026:** Pentecost Sunday/Confirmation candidates are invited back to Mass. Please bring Baptismal Candle.

**24<sup>th</sup> May 2026:** Retired Priests Collection.

**Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> June:** Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock.

## Retired Priest Collection

The Retired Priest Collection will be taken up at Masses next weekend. An envelope is provided for this in your box of envelopes. Thank you most sincerely for your support.

## Congratulations

Congratulations to the children of Broadford and Cadamstown who received their First Holy Communion on Saturday the 16th of May. This is a sacred milestone in your journey of faith, and we celebrate this special moment with you, and your families. We would like to thank the parents and teachers who prepared the children for the sacrament.

## Office Closure

Please note that the Parish Office will be closed from Wednesday the 20<sup>th</sup> of May until Monday the 25<sup>th</sup> of May while the Parish Pilgrimage to Lourdes takes place. The office will reopen on Monday the 25<sup>th</sup> of May at 9:00am.

## Rosary

Rosary will take place in Mill Race Lawns, on Monday the 18<sup>th</sup> of May at 7:30pm.

## Scam Emails

It has been brought to our attention that a scam email is currently circulating purporting to be Fr. Seán Maher, asking recipients to make contact. Please do not reply or engage with the sender in any way. We advise that you delete the email immediately. Please note that any emails sent from the parish will only ever be sent from [ppbalyna@gmail.com](mailto:ppbalyna@gmail.com) or [balynaparish2020@gmail.com](mailto:balynaparish2020@gmail.com) If you are ever unsure about the authenticity of an email, please contact the parish office on (046) 9551203.

## Pentecost Sunday

Next Sunday the 24<sup>th</sup> of May is Pentecost Sunday, we would like to warmly invite all our Confirmation candidates to Mass. Candidates are asked to bring baptismal candles.

## Junior & Senior Servers

We are currently looking for Junior & Senior Servers. Please contact the parish office on (046) 9551203 for further information.

## Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock

The Kildare and Leighlin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock will take place on Sunday the 7th of June. Ceremonies begin at 2:30pm in the Basilica with the Anointing of the Sick. Pilgrimage Mass at 3:00pm and concluding with the Procession of the Blessed Sacrament. Bus will depart Knock after the Procession of the Blessed Sacrament. The bus is now full.

## Balyna Community First Responders

Balyna Community First Responders are holding an Annual General Meeting on Wednesday, 20th May at 7:00pm in The Hamlet Court Hotel. We warmly welcome new members who are interested in learning lifesaving skills and supporting our local community.

## Anniversaries and Intentions

Anniversaries for this week-end	Phil O'Neill, Martinstown (Month's Mind). Joe & Mary Hayden. Mary, Patrick & Eddie Walshe. Rose & Gerry Ryan. Michael O'Connor (Thirty Ninth Anniversary) his wife Maeve and their grandson Paul Holton. Denis Mallen (Sixteenth Anniversary) and the deceased members of the Mallen family. Sylvester Salley (Anniversary Mass). John Mulraney (Second Anniversary). PJ Canning, Kilrathmurray (Anniversary Mass). Peter & Ellen Canning. Sr. Finbar O'Rourke. Maureen & Paddy Jones. Larry Kavanagh (Month's Mind).
Anniversaries for Saturday 23 May	Thomas, May & Catherine Theresa Beegan, Grange. Thomas, Annie & John Beegan, Rahan. Thomas, Bridget & Patrick Lynch, Grange. Oliver Mulvin (Anniversary Mass).
Anniversaries for Sunday 24 May	Annie Conway (Twentieth Anniversary) & we also remember her husband Seán. The Murray family, Martin Snr, Elizabeth, Jane, Bernadette, John, Martin & Joe. Kathleen & Michael Conway.
Anniversaries for Friday 29 May	Jack Murphy (Eight Anniversary) and the deceased members of the Murphy family.
Anniversaries for Saturday 30 May	Luis Gonzalez Domingo.
Anniversaries for Sunday 31 May	Monica Quinn (Anniversary Mass).

