BALYNA PARISH NEWSLETTER

18th February, 2018

First Sunday of Lent.

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PARISH OFFICE OPENING HOURS

Monday to Thursday 10 am − 1 pm

Child Safeguarding Representatives

Patricia Mooney, Marian O' Gorman, Marie McCabe, Rose Miggan, Evelyn Bonner & Chris Barea

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PARISH NEWSLETTER

Items for the Newsletter must be submitted before 12.00 noon on Thursday.

MASS SCHEDULE

JOHNSTOWNBRIDGE CHURCH

Sunday 10.00 am Thursday 10.00 am

CLOGHERINKOE CHURCH

Saturday 7.30 pm Wednesday 10.00 am

BROADFORD CHURCH

Sunday 11.30am Tuesday 10.00 am Friday 7.30pm.

Visit Kildare & Leighlin Diocesan Website www.kandle.ie

World Meeting of Families Websites

www.worldmeeting2018.ie

www.amoris.ie

ANNIVERSARY MASS LIST:

Clogherinkoe Church:

Saturday 17th February at 7.30 pm:

Joe and Gary Jones, Rahin. (Fourteenth Anniversary).

Johnstownbridge Church:

Sunday 18th February at 10.00am:

Kathleen Farrell, Johnstownbridge and her granddaughter Lisa Brigid.

Alan Clooney, Choill Dubh (Month's Mind). John and Agnes McNamara, Balyna.

Broadford Church:

Sunday18th February at 11.30am:

Nan and Mick Reynolds.

Carmel Loughrey.

Brigid Fox, Ballinlig.

Friday 23rd February at 7.30pm:

Matt Maguire, Clonuff and birthday remembrance in Heaven.

ANNIVERSARY MASSES FOR NEXT WEEKEND:

Clogherinkoe Church:

Saturday 24th February at 7.30 pm:

John Haslam (Fortieth Anniversary).

Joan, Ger, Michael and Baby Alex Haslam and the deceased members of the Haslam family.

Olive Kelly, Balyna.

Johnstownbridge Church:

Sunday 25th February at 10.00am:

Mary Doran, Thomastown (Twelfth Anniversary).

Broadford Church:

Sunday 25th February at 11.30am:

Seán Sutton, Ballyonan (Fifth Anniversary).

<u>Trócaire Boxes</u>: Trócaire Boxes are now available for collection at the back of the three churches.

Easter Stations Collection: The Easter Station Collection for the Priest of the Parish is being taken up this weekend. Please use the yellow envelope supplied in your box of special collection envelopes.

<u>The Irish Catholic</u>: The Irish Catholic is on sale in the sacristies of the churches.

<u>Baptisms</u>: The next Baptism Ceremony will be in Johnstownbridge Church on Sunday, 4th March after the 10.00am Mass.

Rally to Save the 8th: Dublin City Centre on Saturday 10th March at 2p.m. If you wish to attend this rally please let us know in the Parish Office and if more than 12 decide to go the Parish will hire a bus.

Why is cherishing human life so "The Catholic Church's important? teaching on the dignity and value of every human person is very special. Every human life is precious and beautiful. Some people feel the right to life of the unborn should be a matter of personal choice for the mother. Others maintain, while they are opposed to abortion as a general principle, there are some children to whom the right to life does not apply because they have been diagnosed with a serious medical condition or because they have been conceived as a result of a rape. The Church's belief, based on reason as well as faith, is that there is no such thing as a human life without value." www.chooselife2018.ie

RegistrationforWMOF2018:Registrationfor all events is open viawww.worldmeeting2018.ie.Please note youcannot attend any event including the PapalMass if you do not register online.

WMOF 2018: The Third National Collection for WMOF2018 will take place next weekend.

<u>Confirmation 2018</u>: Confirmation for the children of Balyna Parish will be on Thursday next. There will be two ceremonies, one at 11am for the children of Clocha Rince N.S. and one at 2p.m. for the children of Broadford N.S. and Johnstownbridge N.S. Bishop Denis Nulty will administer the sacrament.

<u>Viatores Christi:</u> A member of this Catholic Lay Missionary Group will speak at all Masses in Balyna Parish next weekend.

First Holy Communion 2018: The children of Clogherinkoe N.S. will receive their First Holt Communion in Clogherinkoe Church on Saturday 12th May at 11.00 a.m. The children of Johnstownbridge N.S. will receive their First Holy Communion in Johnstownbridge Church on Saturday 19th May at 11.00 a.m. The children of Broadford N.S. and Cadamstown N.S. will receive their First Holy Communion in Broadford Church on Saturday, 26thMay at 11.00 a.m.

St. Vincent de Paul: A new St. Vincent de Paul Conference has been established for the parishes of Balyna and Carbury. The contact number is 0897090442. All enquiries will be dealt with in strictest confidence.

Edenderry Parish Pilgrimage to Poland: Information and Booking Applications, Parish Office, Edenderry (046) 973311.

Parish School Enrolment 2018: Please note that there are vacancies in all four primary schools of the parish. Contact details for the schools can be found on the Parish Website, on the Parish Calendar and on the School Websites.

Kildare and Leighlin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2018:

Pilgrimage will take place from 16th to 21st July. The cost is €739.00. All bookings must be made through Joe Walsh Tours Office. Booking forms are available at the Parish Office.

Mike Denver Barn Dance: Clogherinkoe and Broadford GAA will host Mike Denver on Friday 16th March. Tickets €20 each now on sale in the Parish Office.