BALYNA PARISH NEWSLETTER

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Palm Sunday of Lent.

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PARISH OFFICE OPENING HOURS Monday to Thursday 10 am – 1 pm

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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 24th March at 7.30 pm: Susan Hickey, Kilrainey (First Anniversary). Tom and Christina Conlan and their sons Joe, Paddy and Kevin and their daughters Christina. Theresa and Joan and their grandsons Declan and Diarmuid. Johnstownbridge Church: Sunday 25th March at 10.00am: Not booked. **Broadford Church:** Sunday 25th March at 11.30am: Julia and Christy Cummins. Marcella and William Knowles, Calfstown. John, Peter and Carmel Loughrey, Cadamstown. Ian Sutton, Ballinadrimna. Jack Kavanagh, Garrisker (33rd Anniversary) Eileen Kavanagh, (6th Anniversary). John Dunne, Kildangan. ANNIVERSARY MASSES FOR NEXT WEEKEND: **Clogherinkoe Church:** Saturday 31st March at 7.30 pm: Christopher Hickey, Kilrainey. Michael and Margaret Williams. Bill and Bridget Williams and Joseph Williams, Carrick. Johnstownbridge Church: Sunday 1st April at 10.00am: The deceased members of Johnstownbridge GAA. **Broadford Church:** Sunday 1st April at 11.30am: Patrick and Bridget Egan and their daughters Nancy Connolly and Maureen Henry and the deceased members of the Sutton and Egan families.

<u>Recent Deaths</u>: Johnny Macken, Mullingar (Brother of Peter Macken, Cadamstown) who was interred in Walshestown Cemetery on Monday 19th March. Catherine O'Connor, Thomastown who was interred in Kilshanroe Cemetery on Saturday 24th March.

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

<u>Mass Cards:</u> In future Mass Cards on sale in the Parish Office will cost \in 5 each with all the proceeds going to a newly set up Parish Charity Account. Fr. Breen will say the Mass for all the intentions on the First Friday of every month. This arrangement has been approved by the Diocesan Office.

Baptisms: The next Baptism Ceremony will be in Clogherinkoe Church on Sunday, 1st April at 1pm.

Parish Schools: All the schools in the Balyna Parish are experiencing a reduction in enrolment numbers. If you have a child due to start school in September, please consider enrolling him/her in one of the parish schools.

Kildare and Leighlin Diocesan Pilgrimage

to Lourdes 2018: Pilgrimage will take place from 16th to 21st July. Cost: €739.00. Register your interest by contacting Joe Walsh Tours PHONE: 01 - 2410802 EMAIL: info@joewalshtours.ie. Booking forms are available at the Parish Office.

Poker Classic: A Poker Classic will be held in Clogherinkoe GAA Club House on Good Friday 30th March at 9.30pm. Tickets: €20. **Invitation:** Balyna Foróige invites the Senior Citzens in the community to Afternoon Tea in the Hamlet Court Hotel on Sunday 25th March from 4 to 6pm.

Spring Fair: Johnstownbridge N.S. Parents Association are holding a Spring Fair to raise funds for the school in The Hamlet Court Hotel on Sunday 15th April from 10.30am to 4pm.

Broadford N.S. Progressive 25's:

8 games: J. Conway, J. Flood. 7 games: T. Gorman. Last Game: M. Corrigan. Raffle: M. Corrigan, T. Canning, J. Flood.

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 089 7090442. All enquiries will be dealt with in strictest confidence.

EASTER CEREMONIES (2018)

<u>Chrism Mass</u>: Parishioners from all 56 parishes of the diocese are invited to join with the Bishop and the priests in celebrating the annual Chrism Mass in Carlow Cathedral on Monday, 26th March at 7.30 p.m.

Lenten Penitential Service: Broadford Church on Wednesday, 28th March at 7.30p.m.

Holy Thursday: Mass of the Lord's Supper in Johnstownbridge at 7.30p.m. People are invited to spend some time in prayer before the Altar of Repose after this ceremony. The church will remain open until 10 p.m. Please return your Trocaire boxes on Holy Thursday or on Easter Sunday.

Good Friday: Celebration of the Lord's Passion in Broadford Church at 3.00 p.m. Stations of the Cross in Johnstownbridge Church and Clogherinkoe Church at 7.30 p.m. Good Friday is a day of fast and abstinence.

Holy Saturday: Confessions in Johnstownbridge Church from 10.00 a.m. to 11.00 a.m., Broadford Church from 11.15 a.m. to 12 noon and in Clogherinkoe Church from 12.15 p.m. to 1.00 p.m. Celebration of the Easter Vigil in Clogherinkoe Church at 7.30 p.m.

Easter Sunday: Dawn Mass of the Resurrection in Johnstownbridge Church at 10.00 a.m. Morning Mass of the Resurrection in Broadford Church at 11.30 a.m. The Easter Collection for the priest of the parish will be taken up at all Masses on Easter Sunday.