

# Balyna Parish Newsletter

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

33<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time - 18/19 November 2023 (World Day of the Poor)

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## Masses this Week:

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

<b>Saturday 18 Nov.</b>	<b>Clogherinkoe</b>	<b>6.00pm Mass</b>
<b>Sunday 19 Nov.</b>	<b>Johnstownbridge</b>	<b>9.30am Mass</b>
	<b>Broadford</b>	<b>11.00am Mass</b>
<b>Tuesday 21 Nov.</b>	<b>Broadford</b>	<b>10.00am Mass</b>
<b>Wednesday 22 Nov.</b>	<b>Clogherinkoe</b>	<b>10.00am Mass</b>
<b>Thursday 23 Nov.</b>	<b>Johnstownbridge</b>	<b>10:00am Mass</b>
<b>Friday 24 Nov.</b>	<b>Broadford</b>	<b>7:30pm Mass</b>

## Dates for the Diary

8 December 2023 the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, Holy Day.

31 December 2023 Balyna Parish Draw.

## Mass Attendance Audit

Bishop Nulty has asked us to make an audit of the numbers attending Mass over the next two week-ends. We will try to find an unobtrusive way of counting participants—please be patient! Thanks!

## Balyna Parish Draw

We are delighted to announce the return of our Annual Parish Draw again this year with 6 cash prizes to be won. First prize €1,000, Second prize €500, 3rd prize €200 and 3 prizes of €100. Your generosity and support of this draw last year was outstanding. Tickets are priced at €10.00 each or a book of 11 tickets costs €100. The draw will take place on the 31 December 2023 after 11:00am Mass in Broadford Church. All proceeds again this year will be used to offset Insurance costs and to support the various projects in Balyna parish.

## Servers Enrolment

This weekend we will have the formal blessing of altar servers. Congratulations to all our servers and thank you for service to our parish community. We wish these servers every blessing as they are formally inducted into this ministry. If there are others who would like to act as junior or adult servers, we would be glad to hear from them!.

## Christmas Mass Bouquets

Our Christmas Mass Bouquets are now available for sale in the Parish Office at a cost of €5. These are a beautiful and thoughtful gift to give family and friends at Christmas.

## Winter Closing Time

All Churches in the parish will be closing at the earlier time of 4pm daily during the winter months, except for those occasions when there is evening Mass. For safety and security reasons it is necessary to close the Churches while it is still daylight.

## The Irish Catholic Newspaper

The Irish Catholic newspaper is a weekly newspaper providing news and commentary about the Catholic Church. The cost is €3.00 weekly. For anyone who wishes to purchase a copy please contact the parish office on (046) 9551203.

## Community Appreciation Night

Community Appreciation Night, to celebrate the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the opening of Clogherinkoe/Broadford Clubhouse on Friday the 8<sup>th</sup> of December at 8pm, music by Shindig, finger food on the night. All welcome.

## Anniversaries and Intentions

Anniversaries for this week-end	John and Bridget McGrath (Anniversary Mass) and the deceased members of the McGrath family. Rosie Reilly (Anniversary Mass) and the deceased member of the Mooney family. Joseph & Anastasia Maher, Columbkille, Thomastown and their children John, Mary and David. Jimmy Miggin (Anniversary Mass) and his parents Stephen and Annie Miggin.
Anniversaries for next week-end:	Sheila Donegan (Second Anniversary). Maurice Mooney, Ballindoolin (Anniversary Mass). Paddy, Joan, James, Frank, Declan, Michael, Bill, Peter, John, Mary Kate and Ned Mulligan. Mary, James and Jimmie Baker. Joanie, Tom and Seamus Mannion. Claire Meila. Michael and Margaret Coyne and their daughter Kate. Ger Carroll (Anniversary Mass and Birthday Remembrance). and his son Barry Carroll (Anniversary Mass). Pat Kavanagh ( Twenty Fifth Anniversary) & his brother John and his parents Paddy and Liz.