

# Balyna Parish Newsletter

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

1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent- 2/3 December 2023

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## Masses this Week:

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

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| <b>Saturday 2 Dec.</b>                                              | <b>Clogherinkoe</b>    | <b>6.00pm Mass</b>       |
| <b>Sunday 3 Dec.</b>                                                | <b>Johnstownbridge</b> | <b>9.30am Mass</b>       |
|                                                                     | <b>Broadford</b>       | <b>11.00am Mass</b>      |
| <b>Tuesday 5 Dec.</b>                                               | <b>Broadford</b>       | <b>10.00am Mass</b>      |
| <b>Wednesday 6 Dec.</b>                                             | <b>Clogherinkoe</b>    | <b>10.00am Mass</b>      |
| <b>Thursday 7 Dec.</b>                                              | <b>Johnstownbridge</b> | <b>10:00am Mass</b>      |
|                                                                     | <b>Clogherinkoe</b>    | <b>6:00pm Vigil Mass</b> |
| <b>Friday 8 Dec.</b><br><b>(Feast of the Immaculate conception)</b> | <b>Johnstownbridge</b> | <b>9:30am Mass</b>       |
|                                                                     | <b>Broadford</b>       | <b>11:00am Mass</b>      |
|                                                                     | <b>Broadford</b>       | <b>7:30pm Mass</b>       |

## Dates for the Diary

3 December 2023, Christmas Station Collection, envelope provided.

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

9-10 December catechesis at Mass for Communion and Confirmation candidates.

9-10 December St. Vincent de Paul Collection.

31 December 2023 Balyna Parish Draw.

## Christmas Station

Many thanks for contributions to the Christmas Station. An envelope is provided for today in the box of envelopes.

## Boxes of Envelopes

Boxes of envelopes are now available for distributors to collect in the Parish Office. As always, we thank you all most sincerely for volunteering your time in distributing these boxes throughout our parish community.

## St. Vincent de Paul Collection

St Vincent de Paul Collection will take place weekend 9-10 December. Blue envelopes are available at the back of every Church. All support is greatly appreciated for this worthy cause. All donations are spent in our local community.

## Catechesis at Mass for Communion and Confirmation Candidates

On the second Sunday of Advent (Week-end- 9-10 December) we will have a catechesis at Mass for the Communion and Confirmation candidates. As always people can attend any mass as the same material is offered in each. Also, a small number who missed the enrolment can be accommodated that weekend, please contact the parish office on (046) 9551203 for details.

## Edenderry Lourdes Parish Pilgrimage

To celebrate the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the first Edenderry Parish Pilgrimage to Lourdes, Mass will be celebrated in St. Mary's Church, Edenderry on Friday the 8<sup>th</sup> of December @ 7:30pm. Everyone involved in the Lourdes Fund, as helpers, fundraisers, pilgrims etc are invited to join in this celebration. Everyone Welcome.

## 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.

## 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.

## The B.R.E.D.A Centre is celebrating its 30th Anniversary

The B.R.E.D.A Centre are celebrating their 30th Anniversary of serving the community. On Sunday the 10th December at 9:30am there will be Mass for the past and present members of the B.R.E.D.A group on this the 30th anniversary of its foundation, followed by the launch of their Community Car and refreshments in the Hamlet Court Hotel.

## Anniversaries and Intentions

We remember Sr. Sheila Sheehy, (Presentation Convent, Parnell St., Kilkenny, late of Zambia and Blessington, Thomastown, Co. Kilkenny). Cousin of Fr. Seán Maher, who was interred in St. Kieran's Cemetery on Wednesday.

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| Anniversaries for this week-end  | Michael and Margaret Coyne and their daughter Kate Luske.<br>Gerry Larkin (Sixteenth Anniversary) and the deceased members of the Kennedy, Farrell and Larkin families.<br>Mick McKeever (Month's Mind).<br>Michael McGrath, Cadamstown (Anniversary Mass).<br>John (Johnny) Flood (Month's Mind). |
| Anniversaries for next week-end: | Ann, Paddy, Liam & Elizabeth Dolan, Claremount.<br>Tony Franklin (First Anniversary Mass).<br>Tommy and Nancy Kelly Rahan.<br>John, Mary, and Mike Kelly Rahan.<br>John and Josie Farrell, Rahan and their daughter Betty Bryan.                                                                   |