

# Balyna Parish Newsletter

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

4th Sunday of Advent- 23/24 December 2023

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## Masses this Week:

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

<b>Saturday 23 Dec.</b>	<b>Clogherinkoe</b>	<b>6.00pm Mass</b>
<b>Sunday 24 Dec. (Christmas Eve)</b>	<b>Johnstownbridge</b>	<b>9:30am Advent Mass</b>
	<b>Broadford</b>	<b>11:00am Advent Mass</b>
	<b>Johnstownbridge</b>	<b>4.00pm Christmas Mass</b>
	<b>Clogherinkoe</b>	<b>6:00pm Christmas Mass</b>
	<b>Broadford</b>	<b>8:00pm Christmas Mass</b>
<b>Monday 25 Dec. (Christmas Day)</b>	<b>Clogherinkoe</b>	<b>8:00am Mass</b>
	<b>Johnstownbridge</b>	<b>9:30am Mass</b>
	<b>Broadford</b>	<b>11:00am Mass</b>
<b>Tuesday 26 Dec – Thursday 28 Dec.</b>	<b>Broadford</b>	<b>No Mass</b>
	<b>Johnstownbridge</b>	
	<b>Clogherinkoe</b>	
<b>Friday 29 Dec.</b>	<b>Broadford</b>	<b>7:30pm Mass</b>
<b>Saturday 30 Dec.</b>	<b>Clogherinkoe</b>	<b>6:00pm Mass</b>
<b>Sunday 31 Dec.</b>	<b>Johnstownbridge</b>	<b>9:30am Mass</b>
	<b>Broadford</b>	<b>11:00am Mass</b>
<b>Monday 1 Jan.</b>	<b>Broadford</b>	<b>9:00am Morning Prayer</b>
	<b>Johnstownbridge</b>	<b>12:00 Noon Mass (Mass for Peace)</b>

## Feast of the Epiphany

Masses for the Feast of the Epiphany are as follows:

Friday the 5th January, St. Brigid's Church, Clogherinkoe, 6:00pm.

Saturday the 6th of January, St. Patrick's Church, Johnstownbridge: 9:30am.

Saturday the 6th of January, St. Mary's Church Broadford, 11:00am.

Saturday the 6th January, St Brigid's Church Clogherinkoe, 6:00pm.

## Happy Christmas

Fr. Seán would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a very blessed, joyful and safe Christmas. Always at this time of year we remember our loved ones living abroad and we remember all those who have died. We also at this time welcome many back home as we share the celebrations of Christmas.

## Many Thanks

Many thanks to everyone for your contributions throughout the year: our sacristans, eucharist ministers, readers, servers, organists and choir groups, those who clean the church every week, those who arrange the flowers, the Finance committee, the Parish pastoral council and our child safeguarding representatives. Finally, I would like to thank everyone for your generous donations to our weekly envelope collection, to the diocesan and other collections throughout the year, your spiritual and financial support is greatly appreciated.

## Balyna Parish Draw

Our Annual Parish Draw will take place on the 31st December 2023 after 11:00am Mass in Broadford Church. Your generosity and support for this draw again this year was outstanding.

## Parish Office Christmas Schedule

The Parish Office will be closed from Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> December and will reopen on Tuesday the 2<sup>nd</sup> of January 2024 at 10:00am.

## Online Donations

Several parishioners have asked that the Parish bank account IBAN and BIC be printed on the Parish newsletter, so that they can financially support the Parish online. Please ensure that you include your name in the details when donating online. Account Name: Balyna Parish Account. IBAN: IE39EDCN99104209356740. BIC: EDCNIE21

## Clogherinkoe Gfc

Please note the Clogherinkoe Gfc last lotto draw will take place on December 18<sup>th</sup> and will resume on the 15<sup>th</sup> of January 2024. Thank you to everyone for your continued support of our lotto.

## Anniversaries and Intentions

Anniversaries for this week-end	Ger Rushe (Christmas Remembrance). Philomena Colgan (Anniversary Mass). George Cooney (Month Mind). Peter Hickey Kilrainey. Christopher Hickey, Kilrainey and his wife Susan and their grandson Oliver Hughes. Stephen and Mary Brigid O'Toole. Mary and Peg Joyce O'Toole. Hugh Mooney (Second Anniversary Mass). Pa McNamee (Anniversary Mass). Michael and Kathleen Coakley and the deceased members of the Coakley family. Ann Shortt nee Hillen (Sixth Anniversary) and her mother Vera Hillen (Christmas Remembrance). The Connolly family, Clonuff. Mamie Reilly (Birthday Remembrance).
Anniversaries for next week-end:	Patrick Moore, Balrennett and the deceased members of the Moore family. Mick McEvoy (Anniversary Mass). Arthur McGovern, Moyvalley (Anniversary Mass).

