

Balyna Parish Newsletter

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

19th Sunday of the Year- 9/10 August 2025

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Masses this Week:

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

Saturday 9 August	Clogherinkoe	6.00pm Mass
Sunday 10 August	Johnstownbridge	9.30am Mass
	Broadford	11.00am Mass
Tuesday 12 August	Broadford	10:00am Mass
Wednesday 13 August	Clogherinkoe	10:00am Mass
Thursday 14 August	Johnstownbridge	10:00am Mass
(Vigil Mass for the Feast of the Assumption of our Lady)	Clogherinkoe	6:00pm Mass
Friday 15 August (Feast of the Assumption of our Lady)	Johnstownbridge	9:30am Mass
	Broadford	7:30pm Mass
Saturday 16 August	Clogherinkoe	6:00pm Mass
Sunday 17 August	Johnstownbridge	9:30am Mass
	Broadford	11:00am Mass

Dates for your Diary

15th August 2025: The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

7th September 2025: Bush Mass at 2pm.

25th September 2025: Parish Pilgrimage to Knock.

Parish Pilgrimage to Knock

The parish will organise a Pilgrimage to Knock on Thursday the 25th of September 2025. The bus will depart from outside the Hamlet Court Hotel at 7:00am. We will have morning prayer in Broadford at 7:15pm, bus will depart Broadford at 7:30am. Well enjoy a short refreshment break along the way with a nice cup of tea and a scone. Upon arrival in Knock, there will be time to explore the beautiful grounds & gardens, visit the churches, visit the museum etc. Lunch is booked in St. Mary's at 12:30pm. Ceremonies begin at 2:30pm, starting with Anointing of the Sick and Mass at 3:00pm. The bus will depart Knock after Mass. The cost will be €60, please contact the parish office to book your place on (046) 9551203.

Note from Fr Seán

As many of you know, my dad was quite unwell last weekend. Thankfully, he received great care and the right treatment in Kilkenny Hospital and he is now on the mend and back home. I would like to thank everyone for their understanding and their prayers as it was a troubling time. Fr Seán

Rosary Dunfiirth Cemetery

Cemetery Rosary will take place in Dunfiirth Cemetery on Sunday the 17th of August at 7:00pm.

Many Thanks

Many thanks to everyone who baked, bought and supported our last-minute cake sale last weekend. The cake sale was quickly organised following the cancellation of the Parish Car Boot Sales and thanks to your kindness and generosity, we raised €344.

Junior Servers

We are looking for young people from 10-15 years old, to serve at Mass each weekend and at Church ceremonies throughout the year such as Easter and Christmas. As a parish we always promote best practice in relation to safeguarding children, therefore strict safeguarding guidelines will pertain. Each child must be accompanied by an adult. THEY WILL NOT ENTER THE SACRISTY. They will be given an alb and will be expected to come to church vested and ready. Alter servers and their parent/guardian will sign a register on every occasion they serve at Mass. If you are interested in your child becoming an Altar Server, please contact the parish office on (046) 9551203.

YOUTH PILGRIMAGE TO CROAGH PATRICK, 23rd AUGUST 2025

For young adults (16-35) in the Diocese of Kildare & Leighlin. Join us for a day of faith, challenge and community as we undertake the ancient pilgrimage to the summit of Croagh Patrick on 23rd August. Buses will depart from: Naas, Carlow and Portlaoise.

This spiritual journey offers an opportunity for prayer, reflection and connection with fellow young Catholics. Whether you're seeking personal renewal, physical challenge or simply to experience this sacred tradition, all are welcome. Spaces are limited. Registration is essential and a short meeting for all 16-18 year old pilgrims and a parent/guardian will take place on Thursday 14th August at 7.30pm in Portlaoise, Naas and Carlow. For full details and to register, visit: kandle.ie.

Anniversaries and Intentions

Anniversaries for this week-end	Breda Lynch (Seventh Anniversary). Jim Kane, Kilglass. The deceased members of the Gavin family, Carrick, Austin, Nora, Mary, Stephen, Austin (Jnr), & Tony. Frances Delaney & her son Johnny. Willie Kane (Third Anniversary).
Anniversaries for next week-end	Mary Carroll (Month's Mind). Jane Reynolds (Fourth Anniversary). Paul & Josie Farrell, Balyna (Anniversary Mass) and we also remember their sons Johnny, Kevin, Paulie & their daughters Nancy, Joan & Bridgie & her husband Frank, also remembering Joan's son Ned & the deceased members of the Farrell & Beegan families. Brendan Loughrey (Second Anniversary). John Kavanagh, Clonuff, his brother Pat and his parents Paddy & Liz.