

Balyna Parish Newsletter

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

Third Sunday of Advent- 13/14 December 2025

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Masses this Week:

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

Saturday 13 December	Clogherinkoe	6.00pm Mass
Sunday 14 December	Johnstownbridge	9:30am Mass
	Broadford	11:00am Mass
Tuesday 16 December	Broadford	10:00am Mass
Wednesday 17 December	Clogherinkoe	10:00am Mass
	Clogherinkoe	4:00pm-5:45pm (Confessions and/or Sacrament of Sick)
	Clogherinkoe	6:00pm-7:00pm Holy Hour
Thursday 18 December	Johnstownbridge	10:00am Mass
	Johnstownbridge	6:00pm-8:00pm (Confessions and/or Sacrament of Sick)
Friday 19 December	Broadford	6:00pm-7:15pm (Confessions and/or Sacrament of Sick)
	Broadford	7:30pm Mass
Saturday 20 December	Clogherinkoe	6:00pm Mass
Sunday 21 December	Johnstownbridge	9:30am Mass
	Broadford	11:00am Mass

Dates for your Diary

Thursday 25th December 2025: Christmas Day/Christmas Day Collection.

Tuesday 6th January 2026: Feast of the Epiphany, Holy Day.

Sunday 11th January 2026: Balyna Parish Draw.

St. Vincent de Paul Collection

St Vincent de Paul Collection will take place this weekend 13/14 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.

Broadford Eucharistic Ministers

Broadford Eucharistic Ministers Rota Broadford Eucharistic Ministers Rota for 2026 are now available for collection in the Sacristy.

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.

Balyna Parish Christmas Schedule

The Balyna Parish Christmas Schedule is pinned to the notice boards at the back of the churches; copies are also available at the back of the churches and it can also be viewed on the parish website:

<https://www.balynaparish.ie/wp-content/uploads/2025/12/Christmas-Mass-Schedule-2025.pdf>

Balyna Parish Draw

The draw will take place on Sunday the 11th of January, after 11:00am Mass in Broadford Church. All proceeds again this year will be used to offset Insurance costs. Tickets can be purchased before & after weekend Masses, in the Parish Office, O'Neills Centra Johnstownbridge, Clocha Rince Library and from various tickets sellers. Tickets are €10 each or a book of 11 tickets for €100. First prize €1,000, Second prize €500, 3rd prize €200 and 3 prizes of €100. As a thank you to all our parishioners who financially support our parish, we will have a draw every week for a chance to win a ticket for our annual parish draw. Congratulations to this week's winner.

Christmas Stations

Many thanks to everyone who generously contributed to the Christmas stations collection last weekend.

Christmas Mass Bouquet

Christmas Mass Bouquets are now on sale in the Parish Office and the BREDA Centre at a cost of €5 each. These make a beautiful and thoughtful gift to give family and friends this Christmas.

Lourdes Pilgrimage 2026

We are delighted to announce that Balyna Parish will organize a pilgrimage to Lourdes in May 2026 (20th May 2025- 3 Nights). Details and booking are direct with Marian Pilgrimages. Any questions or any further details can be addressed to Marian Pilgrimages on (01) 878 8159 or contact the parish office on (046) 9551203. The total cost is €705 per person sharing. Further information can be found on the following link www.balynaparish.ie/2025/11/20/lourdes-pilgrimage-2026/

Anniversaries for this week-end	Paud McCabe (First Anniversary). Mary (Maisie) Hickey (Second Anniversary). Richard & Reene Bourke & their daughter Aine Bourke. Geroge Cooney (Second Anniversary), his parents Bill & Annie Cooney his sister Gracie, And his son William. Kathleen Kerrigan (Tenth Anniversary) & Noel Kerrigan. Barney Betty (Anniversary Mass) & the deceased members of the Betty family. Eugene McCabe (Third Anniversary). Anthony, Joe & Agnes Gravin.
Anniversaries for next week-end	Philomena Colgan (Anniversary Mass). Ger Rushe (Remembrance Mass). James & Eileen Kelleher, Ballinlig.