

# Balyna Parish Newsletter

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

Fifth Sunday Easter - 2/3 May 2026

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## Masses this Week:

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

<b>Saturday 2 May</b>	<b>Clogherinkoe</b>	<b>6.00pm Mass</b>
<b>Sunday 3 May</b>	<b>Johnstownbridge</b>	<b>9.30am Mass</b>
	<b>Broadford</b>	<b>11.00am Mass</b>
<b>Tuesday 5 May</b>	<b>Broadford</b>	<b>10:00am Mass</b>
<b>Wednesday 6 May</b>	<b>Clogherinkoe</b>	<b>10:00am Mass</b>
<b>Thursday 7 May</b>	<b>Johnstownbridge</b>	<b>10:00am Mass</b>
	<b>Johnstownbridge</b>	<b>7:00pm-8:00pm Holy Hour</b>
<b>Friday 8 May</b>	<b>Broadford</b>	<b>7:30pm Mass</b>
<b>Saturday 9 May</b>	<b>Johnstownbridge</b>	<b>11:00am (First Communion, children of Johnstownbridge)</b>
	<b>Clogherinkoe</b>	<b>1:00pm (First Communion, children of Clogherinkoe)</b>
	<b>Clogherinkoe</b>	<b>6:00pm Mass</b>
<b>Sunday 10 May</b>	<b>Johnstownbridge</b>	<b>9:30am Mass</b>
	<b>Broadford</b>	<b>11:00am Mass</b>

## Dates for your Diary

Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2026: First Holy Communion children of Johnstownbridge National School. St. Patrick's Church Johnstownbridge at 11:00am.

Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2026: First Holy Communion, children of Clocha Rince National School. St. Brigid's Church Clogherinkoe @1:00pm.

Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> May 2026: First Holy Communion, children of Broadford National School. St. Mary's Church Broadford @ 11:00am.

Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> May 2026: First Holy Communion, children of Cadamstown National School. St. Mary's Church Broadford @ 12:30pm.

20<sup>th</sup> May 2026 -23<sup>rd</sup> May 2026: Balyna Parish Pilgrimage to Lourdes.

24<sup>th</sup> May 2026: Pentecost Sunday/Confirmation candidates are invited back to Mass. Please bring Baptismal Candle.

24<sup>th</sup> May 2026: Retired Priests Collection.

Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> June: Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock.

## Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock

The Kildare and Leighlin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock will take place on Sunday the 7th of June. The pilgrimage will be led by Bishop Denis Nulty, who is inviting people from across the 56 parishes in the Diocese of Kildare and Leighlin to join with him at the Shrine of Our Lady in Knock. The cost of the bus will be €20 for adults and €10 for children. Ceremonies begin at 2:30pm in the Basilica with the Anointing of the Sick. Pilgrimage Mass at 3:00pm and concluding with the Procession of the Blessed Sacrament. Bus will depart Knock after the Procession of the Blessed Sacrament. Please book with the Parish Office on (046) 9551203.

## Fr Liam Lawton Concert

On 15 February 2026, Fr Liam received a papal award for his distinguished service to the Church as a composer and performer of sacred music. The award was presented by Bishop Denis Nulty on behalf of Pope Leo XIV in the Gunn Chapel, Maynooth College, during a special evening celebrating his music, attended by Archbishop Eamon Martin, bishops, and choir members from across the country.

As many supporters could not attend, a second celebration with the same programme and performers will take place on Sunday, May 24, at St Mary's Church, Edenderry.

Following recent renovations of the church, the concert will raise funds to continue this work. Tickets will be available via Facebook, Instagram, the Parish website, and in limited supply at the Parish Centre. High demand is expected, so early purchase and arrival are advised, as some seating will have restricted views.

<https://liamlawton.vercel.app/>

## Anniversaries and Intentions

Anniversaries for this week-end	Roseanna Reilly (Eleventh Anniversary) and the deceased members of the Mooney & McGrath families. Nial Mac Neaney, Dunfieth (Twentieth Anniversary). Nancy Farrell, Ballinakill (Anniversary Mass).
Anniversaries for next week-end	Owen Wynne, Ballygibbon (Second Anniversary) and we also remember his grandparent's Owen & Annie Wynne. Ena Maguire (Second Anniversary) & we also remember the deceased members of the Langan family Dunfieth & the Maguire family Clonuff. Mary Mangan, Johnstownbridge (Twenty Sixth Anniversary). Ger Mooney. Frances Baldwin. Martin & Agnes Lally. Patrick & Nora Lally. Brigid Lally. Harry & Esther Geoghegan & the deceased members of the Geoghegan & Reynolds families. Hal & Theresa Costigan, Cadamstown.

## Anima Christi (prayer after Communion)

Soul of Christ, sanctify me.

Body of Christ, save me.

Blood of Christ, inebriate me.

Water from the side of Christ, wash me.

Passion of Christ, strengthen me.

O Good Jesus, hear me.

Within your wounds hide me.

Permit me not to be separated from you.

From the wicked foe, defend me.

At the hour of my death, call me and bid me come to you.

That with your saints I may praise you for ever and ever.

Amen. -St. Ignatius of Loyola