

Balyna Parish Newsletter

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

20th Sunday of the Year - 15/16 August 2026

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Masses this Week:

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

Saturday 15 August	Clogherinkoe	6.00pm Mass
Sunday 16 August	Johnstownbridge	9.30am Mass
	Broadford	11.00am Mass
Tuesday 18 August	Broadford	10:00am Mass
Wednesday 19 August	Clogherinkoe	10:00am Mass
Thursday 20 August	Johnstownbridge	10:00am Mass
Friday 21 August	Broadford	7:30pm Mass
Saturday 22 August	Clogherinkoe	6:00pm Mass
Sunday 23 August	Johnstownbridge	9:30am Mass
	Broadford	11:00am Mass

Dates for your Diary

29th August 2026: K&L Eucharistic Adoration Prayer Day, Mount Saint Anne's.

13th September 2026: Bush Mass at 2pm.

Celebrating the Sacrament of Baptism in Our Parish

Baptisms will take place in our parish on the following dates over the coming months.

- Saturday 19th September 2026: St. Mary's Church Broadford at 12:00 noon.
- Saturday 17th October 2026: St. Patrick's Church Johnstownbridge at 12:00 noon.
- Saturday 14th November 2026: St. Brigid's Church Clogherinkoe at 12:00 noon.

For further information or to arrange a baptism please contact the Parish Office on (046) 9551203.

Rosary Dunfiarth Cemetery

Cemetery Rosary will take place in Dunfiarth Cemetery, on Sunday, the 16th of August, at 7:00pm.

Sacraments of Communion & Confirmation

This is a special year for your daughter, son and family. Faith is passed on from one generation to the next & your mission in handing on the treasure of faith is of great value. As soon as the schools reopen & I have an opportunity to meet with the teachers, I will organise a meeting with yourselves to arrange the preparation programme for the sacraments & see what dates will suit you all. In the meantime, if you would like to enroll your child(ren) for the sacrament(s), can you please complete the form for Communion www.balynaparish.ie/wp-content/uploads/2026/08/Balyna-Parish-Communion-Request-Form-2027.pdf Confirmation www.balynaparish.ie/wp-content/uploads/2026/08/Balyna-Parish-Confirmation-Request-Form-2027.pdf and return to the parish office. If your child was baptised outside the Parish of Balyna, could you please include a copy of their Baptism Certificate. Looking forward to meeting you all mid-September. Fr. Brian

Fr. Brian's Word of Gratitude

I wish to express my gratitude to each and everyone of you for your warm welcome. I am truly receiving a "Céad Míle Fáilte". In blessing the cemeteries of the parish, I have been praying for the past generations of your communities. It reminded me of the experience of faith being handed on from one generation to the next. My heartfelt thanks and gratitude to Ethna & Les Higgins for all the preparation for Mass in Broadford Cemetery. Thanks also to Les & Hugh who ensured my timely arrival at all the old graveyards of the Parish, on Thursday and Saturday of last week. Looking forward to hearing all about the various community activities throughout the parish. Having departed from Maynooth, on your behalf I wish Fr. Seán every blessing as Spiritual Director in St. Patrick's Seminary.

Best of Luck

As the days of waiting for the Leaving Certificate results draw near, we hold all our young people in our prayers. May the results that you received offer you the opportunity to pursue your dreams and ambitions and that your continued journey brings you much happiness. May God bless you and guide you as you take the next step towards your future. We wish you every success and the very best of luck.

Anniversaries and Intentions

Recent Deaths: We remember in our prayers Nuala Franklin, England, formerly of Kilglass who died during the week. We Also remember Celine Austin (née) Sutton, England formerly of Caulfield, Moyvalley who died recently.

Anniversaries for Saturday 15th/Sunday 16th August	
Clogherinkoe	The Gavin family Carrick, Austin, Nora, Mary, Stephen, Austin Junior, & Tony.
Johnstownbridge	Albert & Bridget Greville & their son Paddy Greville.
Broadford	Kathleen Corrigan (First Anniversary). Brendan Loughrey (Third Anniversary).
Anniversaries for Wednesday 19th/Saturday 22nd/Sunday 23rd August	
Clogherinkoe 19/08/2026	Oliver Hughes, Kilrainey, and his grandparents Christopher and Susan Hickey.
Clogherinkoe	Jackie Conlan (Tenth Anniversary).
Johnstownbridge	People of the Parish.
Broadford	Jane Reynolds (Anniversary Mass). Mary & Bill Carroll.