

Balyna Parish Newsletter

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

21st Sunday of the Year - 22/23 August 2026

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Masses this Week:

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

Saturday 22 August	Clogherinkoe	6.00pm Mass
Sunday 23 August	Johnstownbridge Broadford	9.30am Mass 11.00am Mass
Tuesday 25 August	Broadford	10:00am Mass
Wednesday 26 August	Clogherinkoe	10:00am Mass
Thursday 27 August	Johnstownbridge	10:00am Mass
Friday 28 August	Broadford	7:30pm Mass
Saturday 29 August	Clogherinkoe	6:00pm Mass
Sunday 30 August	Johnstownbridge Broadford	9:30am Mass 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.

Good Luck

As the new school year approaches, we wish all the young people of our parish every blessing and the best of luck as they prepare to return to school. We hope the year ahead will be filled with new opportunities, new friendships, learning and many happy memories. We keep you all in our thoughts and prayers and wish you all a happy, successful and enjoyable year ahead.

Bush Mass

The annual Bush Mass will be held on Sunday the 13th of September at 2:00pm.

Fr. Brian Words of Gratitude

Everyday as I travel around the parish to celebrate weekend & weekday Masses with you, I think with gratitude in my heart about you who live in these communities. The three churches are truly a tribute to your faith and to the faith of your families before you. There is a book entitled "The Bishop of the Abandoned Tabernacle" it does not apply to this parish. I wish to thank all who generously support the life of the parish, financially and through your prayers & presence at the weekly Masses. To the generous people who clean the church & beautify the sanctuary with flowers – a special "Míle Buíochas"

Sacraments of Communion & Confirmation

Dear parents/guardians, 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.

Weekday Mass Intention

If you would like to have a weekday Mass offered for a special intention, please contact the parish office on (046) 955 1203 at least a week in advance, or call into Fr. Brian in the sacristy before Mass.

SVP Carbury Conference

Serving Carbury, Kilshanroe, Broadford, Clogherinkoe, Johnstownbridge and surrounding areas are in urgent need of new members to help facilitate home visits and prevent closure of the conference. If you feel this may be something you are interested in, please feel free to contact us on: 085 2736546 Or attend our next meeting Date: Thursday 10th September Venue: Carbury Parish Office (Eircode W91TE8W).

K&L Eucharistic Adoration Prayer Day

"Peace I leave you; My peace I give you" John 14:27.

Find peace in a day of Prayer and Adoration. K&L Eucharistic Adoration Committee invites you to join us with Most Rev. Bishop Denis Nulty, Fr Ruairi O Domhnaill, Ms Margaret Brennan & Guest Speakers Ms Una Allen and Ms Mary Connolly. Location: Mount St. Anne's, Portarlinton. (R32 WN59). Date: Sat.29th Aug. 9.30am - 4.00pm. Concludes with Holy Mass 3pm. Refreshments on arrival - Lunch 12.30-1.15. Cost €25.00. Booking Essential. Call or text with name and number of companions, Barbara Kinsella 0861637311.

Anniversaries and Intentions

Anniversaries for Saturday 22nd /Sunday 23rd August

Clogherinkoe	Jackie Conlan (Tenth Anniversary).
Johnstownbridge	People of the Parish.
Broadford	Jane Reynolds (Anniversary Mass). Mary & Bill Carroll. Tom O'Connor, Clonuff (First Anniversary).

Anniversaries Saturday 29th/Sunday 30th August

Clogherinkoe	Pat Farrell (Fifth Anniversary) & we also remember his parents Margaret & Patrick. Jim & Tom Farrell, Killinaugh.
Johnstownbridge	Patrick Hosey (Forty-Third Anniversary), and we also remember his son Michael Hosey (Month's Mind). Chris Hackett (Sixth Anniversary).
Broadford	Jospeh Walsh, Kilrainey (Thirtieth Anniversary). Kit Farrell, Ballinakill (Anniversary Mass).