

A Special Word of Thanks to the Principals & Staff of our Four National Primary Schools for their tremendous work in educating and forming our young children. Faith is handed on in the home, school and parish. May all staff of our schools, families, children, secondary & third level students be blessed in the year ahead. . Amen

Online Donations – your financial support to the Parish is much appreciated. If you wish you may donate directly to our Parish bank account details are as follows: BIC: EDCNIE21, IBAN: IE87EDCN9910421036787, including your name in the details when contributing online. For further information contact the Parish Office.

Weekday Masses: Please note that there will be no 10am Mass when there's a Funeral Mass.

Clothes Collection

It's time for a clear-out! We're holding a clothes collection to help raise funds for our parish. All items must be in good, wearable condition. Items accepted: clothes, paired socks, shoes, sports shoes, runners, rugby boots etc. (can be spoiled but not ripped), hats scarves, belts, suits, jewellery, soft toys (no plastic parts), can be left in black bags at the back of the churches weekend, Saturday the 3rd and Sunday the 4th of October. Every bag helps – the more we collect, the more we raise! So spread the word to family and friends too.

First Friday

This Friday (2nd October) is the First Friday; invalids will be attended during the week. On Friday evening there will be Confession in Broadford Church @ 6:30pm, Rosary at 7:10pm, followed by mass at 7:30pm.

The Irish Cancer Society

The Irish Cancer Society is seeking compassionate volunteer drivers to join our pool of drivers. As a volunteer driver you would be bringing patients undergoing chemotherapy to the hospital and back home for their treatment. If you can spare 2 days per month, have a valid driving licence, and a safe, reliable vehicle, you are the perfect candidate to make a significant difference. The Irish Cancer Society will provide you with training before you start as a driver for us. Your generosity not only eases the journey for many during a challenging time but also offers comfort and support when it's needed most.

For more information and to become a volunteer driver, please contact Monica or Emily at volunteer@irishcancer.ie

October Dues

The October dues collection will be taken up at Masses next weekend. This is for the temporal support of the priest. An envelope is available in your box of envelopes. As always, I thank you most sincerely for your generous support.

Mass Intentions for Weekdays can be given to the Parish Office a week in advance or to Fr. Brian before Mass.

Balyna Parish Newsletter



Twenty Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

27th September, 2026

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Parish Child Safeguarding.

Representatives: Rose Miggan; Evelyn Bonner; Lorna Mooney; Annette O'Connor; Chris Farrell. Diocesan Director of Safeguarding: Michelle Hughes; Email: safeguarding@kandle.ie; Tel. 086-1701643

This Weeks Mass Schedule: Please note there will be no Mass on Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday of this week. Friday Evening Mass and all Weekend Masses will take place as normal. Thank you for understanding.

Masses this Week

Saturday 26 Sept	Clogherinkoe	6.00pm Mass
Sunday 27 Sept	Johnstownbridge Broadford	9.30am Mass 11.00am Mass
Tuesday 29 Sept	Broadford	No Mass
Wednesday 30 Sept	Clogherinkoe	No Mass
Thursday 1 October	Johnstownbridge	No Mass
Friday 2 October	Broadford	7:30pm Mass (Confession 6:30pm, Rosary 7:10pm)
Saturday 3 October	Clogherinkoe	6:00pm Mass
Sunday 4 October	Johnstownbridge Broadford	9:30am Mass 11:00am Mass

Celebrating the Sacrament of Baptism in Our Parish

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

- 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.
- Saturday 12th December 2026: St. Mary's Church, Broadford at 12:00 noon.

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

Sacraments of Communion & Confirmation

Meetings will be held for parents/guardians of children who will be receiving the sacraments next year. **Meeting for parents/guardians** are scheduled as can be seen under the **Dates for Your Diary**. Looking forward to meeting you all as we begin this special journey of faith together. In the meantime, please enrol 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.

Saturday 26th/Sunday 27th September

Clogherinkoe Chrissie McCabe (First Anniversary).

Johnstownbridge John & Roasleen McManus, Martinstown.
Jackie Farrell late of Johnstownbridge (Month's Mind).
John Mooney, Johnstownbridge (Third Anniversary).

Broadford People of the Parish.

Recent Deaths: We pray for all those who have died recently, especially all those who have to pray for them and for all those who are buried in our cemeteries.

Friday 2nd/ Saturday 3rd/Sunday 4th October

Broadford
02/10/2026 Dick Kavanagh, Stoneybatter formerly of Clonuff (Birthday Remembrance).

Clogherinkoe People of the Parish

Dates for your Diary

1. Autumn Dues Collection – 4th October 2026.
2. Balyna Parish Clothes Collection - 4th October 2026
3. **Meeting with Parents of Children Receiving the Sacraments of Holy Communion and Confirmation**, Broadford & Clogherinkoe N.S on 13th October @ 7:30pm in Clogherinkoe N.S.
Meeting with parents Cadamstown and Johnstownbridge N.S on 14th October @ 7:30pm in Johnstownbridge N.S.

A Prayer For Our Earth By Pope Francis

All-powerful God, you are present in the whole universe
and in the smallest of your creatures.
You embrace with your tenderness all that exists.
Pour out upon us the power of your love,
that we may protect life and beauty.
Fill us with peace, that we may live
as brothers and sisters, harming no one.
O God of the poor,
help us to rescue the abandoned and forgotten of this Earth,
so precious in your eyes.
Bring healing to our lives,
that we may protect the world and not prey on it,
that we may sow beauty, not pollution and destruction.
Touch the hearts of those who look only for gain
at the expense of the poor and the Earth.
Teach us to discover the worth of each thing,
to be filled with awe and contemplation,
to recognize that we are profoundly united
with every creature
as we journey towards your infinite light.
We thank you for being with us each day.
Encourage us, we pray, in our struggle
for justice, love and peace. Amen.