

Anam Cara Monthly Parent Support Evening

Anam Cara, the organisation that supports bereaved parents, will hold its monthly Parent Support Evening on **Wednesday 14th October at 7.30pm in the Mullingar Park Hotel.**

This event is free and open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age their child died, the circumstances of their death, or how recent their death was. You do not need to register in advance.

We also offer an online support group meeting. To find out more call 01 4045378 or email info@anamcara.ie

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.

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.

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

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 this 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 Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

4th October, 2027

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Parish Office (9am to 1pm, Monday to Thursday)..... (046) 9551203

email: balynaparish2020@gmail.com; www.balynaparish.ie

Diocesan Website: www.kandle.ie

Parish Child Safeguarding.

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

Masses this Week

Saturday 3 October	Clogherinkoe	6.00pm Mass
Sunday 4 October	Johnstownbridge Broadford	9.30am Mass 11.00am Mass
Tuesday 6 October	Broadford	10:00am Mass
Wednesday 7 October	Clogherinkoe	10:00am Mass
Thursday 8 October	Johnstownbridge	10:00am Mass
Friday 9 October	Broadford	7:30pm Mass
Saturday 10 October	Clogherinkoe	6:00pm Mass
Sunday 11 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.

Saturday 3rd/Sunday 4th October

Clogherinkoe	Jane, Pat & Anne Devane. The deceased members of the Kelly family Nurney. Mick Wrynne.
Broadford	People of the parish.

Recent Deaths: We pray for all those who have died recently, especially all those who have no one to pray for them and for all those who are buried in our cemeteries.

Friday 9th/Saturday 10th/Sunday 11th Oct

Broadford 09/10/2026	Paddy Beegan (Fourteenth Anniversary). Mary Beegan (Tenth Anniversary & Birthday Remembrance).
Clogherinkoe	Mary Hickey, Ballygibbon (Anniversary Mass).
Johnstownbridge	James Keogh (7 th Anniversary). Maureen Casey, Martinstown (Twenty Fifth Anniversary) & we also remember her husband Padraig & the deceased members of the Casey & Rowland families. Anne Farrell (6 th Anniversary).
Broadford	Mary Hopkins (Month's Mind) & we also remember her husband Tom & her sons Martin & Anthony.

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.

Dates for your Diary

1. Balyna Parish Clothes Collection - 4th October 2026
2. **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.

Our Lady of Medjugorje, Message of 25th September 2026 -
"Dear children! May this time be a time of prayer for peace. I am calling you to renew in your families the prayer of the Rosary for my intentions, so that I may be able to multiply your prayers and intercede for you before the Most High, [for Him] to heed your prayers and to give you peace. I am with you and like never before I pray for you and with you, my little children. Thank you for having responded to my call." (With Ecclesiastical approval)

Message of Our Lady to Ivan for priests Sept 24th, 2026

Dear beloved ones, be men of prayer and peace. Remain close to Jesus in the Eucharist and lead the souls entrusted to you to Him. Do not be afraid to bear the cross of your vocation, for your faithful priesthood brings hope to the world. Pray with the heart, love the Church, and be shepherds who bear witness to God's love through their lives. I am with you and intercede for you with my Son. Thank you for having responded to my call!