

**PARISH OF BALLINAKILL/DERRYBRIEN**  
**PORTUMNA FAITH COMMUNITY AREA**

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*Saturday/Sunday 16 / 17 September 2023 '24<sup>th</sup> Sunday In Ordinary Time'*

*Webcam Ballinakill Church; <https://churchmedia.tv/ballinakill>*

**Masses - Ballinakill:**

**Sat. 16 Sept.: 8pm (A)** Mary & Paddy Spain & Deceased Family Members.

**Mon. 18 Sept.: 9.30am.**

**Tues. 19 Sept.: 9.30am.**

**Wed. 20 Sept.: 9.30am.**

**Thurs. 21 Sept.: 9.30am.**

**Fri. 22 Sept.: 8pm (A)** 1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary: Michael Loughrey.

**Sat. 23 Sept.: 8pm (A)** Lucy Mahony.

**Masses - Derrybrien:**

**Sun. 17 Sept.: 9.30am (A)** P.J. Cunningham, John & Margaret Cunningham, Jack Fahy.

**Fri. 22 Sept.: 7pm.**

**Sun. 24 Sept.: 9.30am.**

**Eucharistic Ministers - Ballinakill:**

**Sat. 16 Sept.:** Cepta Rourke. **Sat. 23 Sept.:** Phil Flynn.

**Altar Servers:**

**Saturday 16 Sept.:** Group 1. **Saturday 23 Sept.:** Group 2.

**Lotto No's: 15, 16, 22, 26. €3,100. No Jackpot Winner:**  
**Win/Share €150:** Niamh Fahy, Lana Daniels. **Next Draw:** 17/9 in The Clubhouse. Tickets online; <https://t.co/Hy4dlTEwmj> <https://www.klubfunder.com/Clubs/usualoutlets>. Draw/results; Facebook Sun. 7pm. Thank you for your on-going support. Tickets may be purchased online up to 6pm on evening of the draw.

**Adoration Chapel Loughrea 8am-8pm 6 Days A Wk 1 Hr A Wk:**  
Prayer/presence Blessed Sacrament. Tel: 0872108480/091841212.

**Davitt's 50/50 Draw Congratulations Pat Slattery Powers Cross:**  
Winner of €615. Next draw Mon. 18 Sept. Tickets available in local shops/pubs/online; [www.klubfunder.com/Clubs/Davitts\\_Camogie\\_Club/TicketSales](http://www.klubfunder.com/Clubs/Davitts_Camogie_Club/TicketSales)

**Mobile Library Every 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday Derrybrien 12.45-1pm:**

Tynagh: 2.30pm - 2.50pm. Kylebrack: 3pm - 3.15pm.

**Galway Roscommon Adult Ed. Training Board Portumna:**

St. Brigid's Rd. Reg. Tour Guiding 6 Oct. [www.fetchcourses.ie](http://www.fetchcourses.ie)

**The DIY Academy Are Interested In Running 8 Week Course:**

In Woodford starting 22 Sept. depending on interest. Check out what they do on their Facebook page. If you are interested can you please send a message to 086 3445960 ASAP Course will commence if we have enough numbers.

**Air Fryer Demonstration Ballinakill Hall Wednesday 27 Sept.:**

7.30pm. Tastings on the night/a cuppa/chat after. €10 entry.

**Local History Course Portumna School Autumn '23 Spring '24:**

Topics; local history sources/reading local landscape/Irish place names oral history/folklore/Grand Canal/Napoleonic fortifications along the Shannon/architecture & history of the Big House/landed estates/Great Famine/Land War/education/women in Irish history /War of Independence. Info;/book; Tel: John Joe 087 2963803. [johnjoeconwell@gmail.com](mailto:johnjoeconwell@gmail.com)

**The Alzheimer Society Of Ireland Social Club In The Loughrea:**

Family & Community Resource Centre Bridge Street, Loughrea every Wednesday 2pm to 4pm. Contact Teresa on 0871888177.

**Season Of Creation Until 4 Oct. Pope Francis Calls Us To Be Just:**

In every situation/harmonise with creation/be mindful of the victims of climate injustice. By doing a little to care for our water supply; local rivers /streams; each of us can also contribute to the flow of justice/peace in our world/renew our relationship with creation. We pray that our efforts to promote climate justice may continue to flow together to as a source of life for our Church/our common home. Season of Creation resources available on homepage of catholic bishops.ie including: Homiletic aids for each Sun. of the season/outline of a liturgy that could be celebrated at a local river; How to participate in our initiative/set aside 30% of parish grounds for cultivation of biodiversity.

**Evangelium Ireland Apologetics Conference For Young Catholics:**

Imperial Hotel, Cork, Sat. 7 Oct. 11am–4.30pm Theme; Towards Lifelong Formation. Speakers: Bishop Alphonsus Cullinan, Defending the Faith in the Public Square; Fr. Eamon Roche 'Until Christ be Formed in You' – A Roadmap for Catechesis/Christian Formation; Fr. Patrick Cahill Studying Discipleship at the School of Mary. Cost: €15 Inc. refreshments. Info./register; [www.evangelium.ie](http://www.evangelium.ie)/or 'Evangelium Ireland' on Eventbrite.

**Special Gathering At Maynooth College Sun. 8 Oct. To Mark The:**

Completion of an enhancement / documentation project in the college cemetery / honour all those interred there since the cemetery opened. Mass in the original college chapel; now St. Joseph's Oratory / unveiling of a plaque at the burial site there of Fr. Peter Flood. A short ceremony in the cemetery itself / followed by refreshments in Pugin Hall. Details / events / list of all those interred in the cemetery / links free registration via Eventbrite; <https://maycol2023.webador.com>

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**The Lens Of The Gospel; Jesus Surprised Peter By Telling Him He:**

1. Needed to forgive 77 times. Perhaps you have known the value of this when something reminds you of a past hurt / you find you need in your heart to forgive again the person who hurt you. What was this like for you? How has a capacity to have a forgiving heart helped you? 2. Sometimes we need to forgive ourselves for things we regret about past behaviour. What happens to you when you cannot do this? How has your ability to forgive yourself for past mistakes influenced your attitude towards your- self now? 3. Pope Francis chose as his motto 'miserando atque eligendo' (*seen with compassion/chosen*) to express his belief that Jesus viewed his past mistakes with compassion/called him, nonetheless. At this moment can you see Jesus calling you, no matter what your past has been like? 4. Are there people whose ability to forgive has inspired you? Recall them /forgiveness they showed /give thanks for their example.

**Prayer For Vocations; Diocese of Clonfert; Lord Of The Harvest:**

Bless young people in the Diocese of Clonfert with the gift of courage to respond to your call of service. Open their hearts to great ideals/ wonderful things. Inspire all of your disciples to mutual love/giving; For vocations blossom in the rich soil of faithful people. Inspire priests/ religious/all our parishioners/families with the confidence/grace to invite our young people to consider the exciting/noble path of life dedicated/ consecrated to You. Unite us to Jesus through prayer/sacrament, so that we may cooperate with you in building your kingdom of Mercy/ truth, of justice/Peace. Amen.