

PARISH OF BALLINAKILL/DERRYBRIEN

PORTUMNA FAITH COMMUNITY AREA

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Saturday / Sunday 6 / 7 April 2024 '2nd Sunday Of Easter' 'Divine Mercy Sunday'

Webcam Ballinakill Church; https://churchmedia.tv/ballinakill

Masses - Ballinakill:

Sat. 6 Apr.: 8pm (A) Thomas Gardiner.

Mon. 8 Apr.: 9.30am.

Tues. 9 Apr.: 9.30am (A) Seamus Connors.

Wed. 10 Apr.: 9.30am.

Thurs. 11 Apr.: 9.30am.

Fri. 12 Apr.: 8pm (A) Johnny Callanan.

**Sat. 13 Apr.: 8pm (A) Pat Joe Dervan, Jenny & Tommy Kelly.
Tony & Dermot 1st Anniversary;**

Masses - Derrybrien:

Sun. 7 Apr.: 9.30am (A) Matt & Bridie Kelly.

Fri. 12 Apr.: 7pm.

**Sun. 14 Apr.: 9.30am (A) Sonny Gallagher & Deceased Family
Members.**

Eucharistic Ministers - Ballinakill:

Saturday 6 April: Phil Flynn. Saturday 13 April: Ann Neville.

Altar Servers:

Saturday 6 April: Group 2. Saturday 13 April: Group 3.

Lotto No's: 7, 18, 27, 32. €3,500. No Jackpot Winner: Win/Share

€150: Joe & Hannah Forde. Next Draw: 7/4 in The Clubhouse.

Tickets on-line; <https://t.co/Hy4dITEwmj> <https://www.klubfunder.com/Clubs> /usual outlets. Draw/results; Facebook Sun. 7pm. Thank you for your on-going support. Tommy Larkin's GAA Club are currently holding a fundraiser raffle, with some fantastic prizes up for grabs. The funds raised will go towards improving our facilities /investing in our players development. You can purchase your tickets from any player/committee member/by using the following link https://www.klubfunder.com/Clubs/Tommy_Larkins_GAA_Club/TicketSales

Trócaire Boxes:

Please return your Trócaire Box as soon as possible.

Davitt's 50/50 Draw Congratulations Niall Cormican Woodford:

Winner €600 last weeks draw. Next draw; Mon. 1 Apr. Tickets; local shops/pubs/online; [www.klubfunder.com/Clubs Davitts Camogie Club/Ticket Sales](http://www.klubfunder.com/Clubs/Davitts_Camogie_Club/Ticket_Sales) Thanks for your support.

Altar Society – April

Ballinakill: Karen O'Hehir, Cepta Rourke, Breda McCormack, Pauline McHugo. **Derrybrien:** Hilary Cunningham & Family

BIC/IBAN Parish Accounts AIB Day-to-Day Running Costs:

BIC; AIBKIE2D IBAN; IE90 AIBK 9374 2800 9500 11. BOI. Priests Income. BIC; BOFIE2D IBAN; IE85 BOFI 9039 47167925 91. Please put name/No. on the lodgement so we can identify you.

Ballinakill Ladies Group Have Organised Free Tai Chi Classes:

Tai Chi exercises can help increase Flexibility/posture, with a GRETB Tutor. Starts Tuesday 9 April at 11.45am for 6 weeks. A few spaces still available. Contact Ann 087 7866395.

Important Dates To Remember:

- **1st Holy Communion:** Sat. 18 May 12 noon.
- **Clonfert Diocesan Pilgrimage Knock:** Sun. 19 May.
- **Diocesan Pilgrimage To Lourdes:** 7 – 12 August.

Daffodil Day Which Was Held On 22 March In Ballinakill:

Derrybrien Community Centre collected €503.45 for Irish Cancer Society. Thanks to all that contributed.

The Synodal Explored Conference 19/20 Apr, Where Cardinal:

Mario Grech, Sec. General of the Synod of Bishops will be the keynote speaker. Conference open to public/free of charge. www.knockshrine.ie Tel: 094 9388100 communications@knockshrine.ie

Vigil Of Prayer For Vocations To the Diocesan Priesthood In The:

Diocese of Clonfert to coincide with Vocations Sun. will take place directly after 8pm Mass until midnight on Sat. 20 Apr. in the Cathedral of St. Brendan, Loughrea. Please make a special effort to come/join us.

Vocations Workshop: Bishop Michael will lead a workshop for those who might be interested in Diocesan Priesthood in the Diocese of Clonfert/Galway/Kilmacduagh/Kilfenora Sun. 28 Apr. 2-6pm. Further Info: Fr. Ian O'Neill email galwaypriesthood@gmail.com Tel: 087 2048497.

All Ireland Rosary Rally – 1 June In Knock; The Day Begins With:

A Marian Conference 9.30am in St. John's Centre. Speakers; Fr. Michael Donnelly/Sr. Ana Margarita Lanzas SCTJM/Fr. Joseph Maria Deane CFR. Meet over 20 apostolates from around Ireland from 11.30am in St John' Centre. A well renowned speaker from Miami called Mother Adela Galindo will deliver the keynote Rosary talk 1pm in the Basilica. Then there will be Stations of the Cross outside at 2pm, followed by the Rosary Procession. Bishop Phonsie Cullinan will be the Main Celebrant of the 3pm Concelebrated Mass which will include Anointing of the Sick. Confessions available throughout the day. There will be rosary/scapular making workshops in the marquee. Info./see a list of buses going from around Ireland www.AllIrelandRosaryRally.com

Medjugorje International Youth Festival 31 July–7 Aug. Spiritual:

Director Bishop Michael Duignan for Adults between 18/35 by 31 July. Subsidised Fare €680, all inclusive. Info;/booking; Tel: 091 841560 email office@clonfertdiocese.ie/local priest. Closing date 12 Apr.

Sunday 26 May @ 12 Noon Formal Commissioning Ceremony:

By Bishop Michael Duignan at St. Brendan's Cathedral Loughrea.

Shragh 6KM Run/Jog/Walk Sun. 14 Apr. 11am. Starting From The:

Centre. Reg: 10–11.45am. Entry: Adults €10/Children €5. Family Discounts. Refreshments afterwards. All proceeds for the maintenance/upkeep of our Centre. Info phone/text Mary 087 6152668. All welcome.

VAKS Programme: Knock Youth Ministry Applications For VAKS:

An opportunity for young people in TY/5th/6th year to come to Knock to volunteer for a weekend in July/Aug. This year we launch our new state of the art Youth Village! www.knockshrine.ie/vaks-volunteer-at-knockshrine Tel: 094 9375321 youthministry@knockshrine.ie

Portumna Faith Community Pastoral Council/Finance: Meeting 17:

Apr. 7-9pm what it means to be a Parish Pastoral Council/Parish Finance committee, Fr. Gerard McCarthy, St. Joseph's Centre, Killimor.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter All Married Couples Deserve WWME:

Weekend 26–28 Apr. Focolare Centre Prosperous, Co. Kildare. Reg. www.marriageencounter.ie Good Marriages can always be made better!

Lens Of The Gospel: 'Peace Be With You' Was The Greeting Of:

1. Meeting his frightened apostles. Who has come to you bringing peace at times when you were frightened? For whom have you been an agent of peace? 2. The greeting is followed by Jesus missioning his apostles/us, to continue his project of spreading the Good News of God's love/forgiveness. What does it mean to you to see yourself as missioned by Jesus? 3. Jesus promises the gift of the Holy Spirit to empower the disciples to be witnesses to forgiveness. Forgiveness is at times an essential step on the road to peace. Perhaps you can recall when holding on to a hurt/grudge disturbed your inner peace. What helped you to forgive/find peace? 4. Thomas, doubting/questioning, is possibly a person with whom we can identify. What part have doubting/questioning played on your faith journey? How has your faith been strengthened by such moments? 5. 'Blessed are they who have not seen/yet believed'. That requires great trust. Perhaps you have had the experience of being trusted without having had to prove every step along the way. What was it like to be trusted in that way? Who have you been able to trust in a similar manner?