

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON**

**How worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and divinity, and wisdom and strength and honour. To him belong glory and power for ever and ever.**



**GREETING**

In the name of the Father ..... Amen. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. And with your spirit.

**PENITENTIAL ACT**

Lord Jesus, you are mighty God and prince of peace: Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord Jesus, you are Son of God and Son of Mary: Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord Jesus, you are Word made flesh and splendour of the Father: Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. May almighty God have mercy on us.... Amen.

**THE GLORIA**

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

**OPENING PRAYER**

Almighty ever-living God, whose will is to restore all things in your beloved Son, the King of the universe, grant, we pray, that the whole creation, set free from slavery, may render your majesty service and ceaselessly proclaim your praise. Through our Lord Jesus Christ.....

**LITURGY OF THE WORD**

**FIRST READING Daniel 7: 13 - 14**

**A reading from the prophet Daniel.**

I gazed into the visions of the night. And I saw, coming on the clouds of

heaven, one like a son of man. He came to the one of great age and was led into his presence. On him was conferred sovereignty, glory and kingship, and men of all peoples, nations and languages became his servants.

His sovereignty is an eternal sovereignty which shall never pass away, nor will his empire ever be destroyed.

**The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.**

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps. 92:1-2.5**

**R. The Lord is king, with majesty enrobed.**

1. The Lord is king, with majesty enrobed; the Lord has robed himself with might, he has girded himself with power. [R]
2. The world you made firm, not to be moved; your throne has stood firm from of old. From all eternity, O Lord, you are. [R]
3. Truly your decrees are to be trusted. Holiness is fitting to your house, O Lord, until the end of time. [R]

**SECOND READING Apocalypse 1:5-8**

**A reading from the book of the Apocalypse.**

Jesus Christ is the faithful witness, the First-born from the dead, the Ruler of the kings of the earth. He loves us and has washed away our sins with his blood, and made us a line of kings, priests to serve his God and Father; to him, then, be glory and power for ever and ever. Amen. It is he who is coming on the clouds; everyone will see him, even those who pierced him, and all the races of the earth will mourn over him. This is the truth. Amen. 'I am the Alpha and the Omega' says the Lord God, who is, who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

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**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

**Alleluia, alleluia! Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessings on the coming kingdom of our father David! Alleluia!**

**GOSPEL John 18:33-37**

**A reading from the holy Gospel according to John**

'Are you the king of the Jews?' Pilate asked. Jesus replied, 'Do you ask this of your own accord, or have others spoken to you about me?' Pilate answered, 'Am I a Jew? It is your own people and the chief priests who have handed you over to me: what have you done?' Jesus replied, 'Mine is not a kingdom of this world; if my kingdom were of this world, my men would have fought to prevent my being surrendered to the Jews. But my kingdom is not of this kind.' 'So you are a

king then?' said Pilate. 'It is you who say it' answered Jesus. 'Yes, I am a king. I was born for this, I came into the world for this: to bear witness to the truth; and all who are on the side of truth listen to my voice.'

**The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

**NICENE CREED**

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven,

All bow for following three lines: and by the Holy Spirit who was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.



**LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST**

Pray brothers and sisters, ..... May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

**PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS**

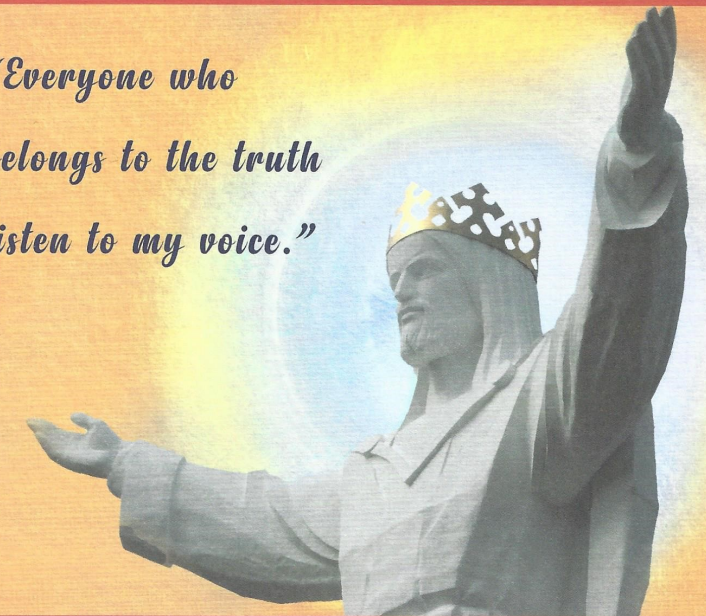
As we offer you, O Lord, the sacrifice by which the human race is reconciled to you, we humbly pray that your Son himself may bestow on all nations the gifts of unity and peace. Through Christ our Lord.



focus on sunday

Jesus' kingship is the kingship of one who is dedicated to his Father. He lives and dies for the truth. In his death and resurrection he is enthroned in the glory of his Father. This is the kingship we celebrate: one who has passed through the worst of human life to a life and joy that is eternal.

*"Everyone who belongs to the truth listen to my voice."*



**EUCHARISTIC PRAYER**

The Lord be with you. And with your spirit. Lift up your hearts. We lift them up to the Lord. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right and just.

**SANCTUS**

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

**AFTER THE CONSECRATION**

*The mystery of faith.* Save us, Saviour of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free.

**INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION**

Behold the Lamb of God, ..... Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON**

**The Lord sits as King for ever. The Lord will bless his people with peace.**

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Having received the food of immortality, we ask, O Lord, that, glorying in obedience to the commands of Christ, the King of the universe, we may live with him eternally in his heavenly Kingdom. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

**CONCLUDING RITE**

The Lord be with you. And with your spirit.

May almighty God bless you in his kindness and pour out saving wisdom upon you. Amen.

May he nourish you always with the teachings of the faith and make you persevere in holy deeds. Amen.

May he turn your steps towards himself and show you the path of charity and peace. Amen.

And may the blessing of almighty God, the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit, come down on you and remain with you for ever. Amen.

Go in peace. Thanks be to God.



A big thing in life is where you are from. We say 'your accent betrays you'. Sometimes we judge totally on where people are from. Pilate was the same with Jesus. With all he knew of him and heard, the miracles and the speeches – where are you from? Are you a king really? What sort is your kingdom? Pilate was intrigued always with Jesus and so are we. Our Christian life is getting to know Jesus more, and taking part in his mission. The type of person he was. That he came from God and from humanity. He speaks of the best of God and the best of us, the best of heaven and the best of earth. He is worth our following. Our role – vocation/called to be like him. Our mission is a calling to live like him in love and service. 'FROM ABOVE' There is the 'from above' in Jesus and much of John's gospel stresses the divinity of Christ. He doesn't look very divine but he does look very human. In the human is the divine. So we could be like him. We become like him by reading about his life and living like he did. King is a strange feast....he never wanted it. But he accepted what that happened to him. He took it on out of love. What sort of king do we meet? One of truth, justice, compassion and love. The defender of the poor. The King who prays. A good ending of one church year to begin another. King and servant. We'll see more of what it's all like in the weeks of December. Meantime we want to live in this reign of God and pray and live – your kingdom come.

*Donal Neary SJ. (editor, Sacred Heart Messenger)*

**Jesus' Story**

*Fr. Liam Hickey*



It was a sports day at school. During a big race one boy slipped and fell. His pal stopped to help him. Neither of them won a medal, but they won a better prize. Jesus tells us that God Our Father is like the boy who stopped to help. God's power is in the gold of love and kindness, and that is God's Kingdom.



# ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH, BALLYHAUNIS

## PARISH NEWSLETTER 21st NOVEMBER 2021

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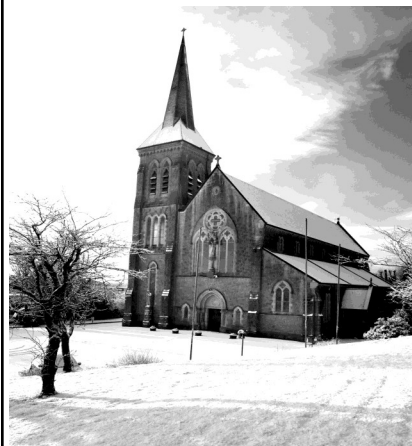
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### MASSES:

Monday, Tuesday,  
Wednesday, Friday 10.00am.

Saturday Evening Vigil: 7.30pm

Sunday: 10.00am. 12.00 noon

### CONFESSIONS:

Before Saturday Vigil Mass

### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Friday: 10.30am. - 1.00pm.

### BAPTISMS

Saturdays & Sundays 11.00am.

Minimum of two weeks' notice required. Contact the parish office, 094-9630006, for updates due to ongoing Covid-19 restrictions.



## ANNIVERSARY MASSES 22nd - 28th NOVEMBER 2021

**Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday 10.00am. Saturday 7.30pm.**

Decd. of the Hoban & Enright families, Derrynacong & Dublin

Kathleen Egan & Jack Dempsey, Dublin

Tommy Ronayne & Teresa Ronayne, Clagnagh

Jim, Mary & Micheál Maher, Mullingar & Thurles

Laura Brogan, Doctor's Road

Kathleen Byrne (Campbell), Manchester & Abbey St.

Walter & Josephine Healy, Frenchpark

Lily & Tom Murphy, Main St. & Dermot Winston, Carrick

Mary, Thomas, Martin & Terry McDonagh

Tom & Mary Lyons, Upper Main St.

Michael, Catherine & Bertie Curley, Clare St.

Michael & Mary Webb & decd. Main St.

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**Sunday 10.00 First Anniversary**

Denise Nolan, Togher

James Healy, Johnstown

**Month's Mind**

Michael Nolan, Togher

22nd - 28th Nov.	READERS	MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST
Monday	Martin Fitzmaurice	Daniela Balbino Romao, Anne Carney
Tuesday	Christina Concannon	Helen Freeley, Lorraine Waldron
Wednesday	Mary Donnelly	Margaret Byrne, Eileen Jordan
Friday	Tommy Caulfield	Willie Broderick, Mary McGuire
Saturday 7.30pm.	Maeve Donnellan	Jacinta Flynn, Jenny Glynn, Tim Byrne
Sunday 10.00am.	Orlaith Coffey	Breege Halpin, Aileen Burke, Geraldine Murphy
Sunday 12.00	Brendan Donnellan	Helena Byrne, Helene McCafferty, Gilmar Neves

### Recently Deceased

We remember in our prayers  
Michael Doherty, Devlis & Athenry  
Maureen McDonnell, Cambridge, UK, &  
formerly Ballyhaunis & Galway

### Recently Baptised

We welcome into the Faith Community  
Winnie Christina McDonagh, 45 Tooraree

All weekday and weekend Masses, and the daily rosary at 9.00pm continue to be broadcast

### Offertory Collection

14th November 2021  
€1,755

on parish radio 105.2FM and streamed on the parish webcam:  
<https://www.mcnmedia.tv/camera/st-patricks-church-ballyhaunis>

**WEEKLY ENVELOPES:** Sincere thanks to all who are returning their weekly contributions either by envelope or by direct debit. Envelopes can be returned at any of the daily Masses or otherwise can be dropped in the letter box of the Parochial House. If you wish to set up a direct debit, the account details are as follows: Ballyhaunis Parish Church. BIC: ULSB IE 2D IBAN: IE69 ULSB 9852 7005 5200 31

Copies of the Irish Catholic newspaper are available at the back of the church. Cost €2.50 please place the money in the coinbox of the nearby candelabra.

### PUBLIC HEALTH GUIDELINES FOR ATTENDING MASS:

With the easing of restrictions we are continuing with the present arrangements where every second pew can be occupied. However, we are still obliged to wear some form of face covering while in church and sanitise our hands- even if we have received the vaccine.

**Please use the lighters for lighting candles as the hand sanitiser is highly flammable.**

While the church building and ancillary buildings (toilets and sacristy) are sanitised before and after each Mass or ceremony, we want to stress that if you manifest any of the symptoms of Covid-19, if you have any underlying health issues, or feel that you might be endangering your health by entering a church building, then we encourage you to continue to join us on parish radio 105.2FM or on the parish webcam: [www.ballyhaunisparish.ie/webcam](http://www.ballyhaunisparish.ie/webcam)

**BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP** meets every Wednesday at 11.00am. at the Family Centre, Knock. All are welcome. Further information from Monica Morley, Knock Shrine, 094-9375320.

**ORDINATION OF PERMANENT DEACONS:** Over the past four years, a number of candidates have been preparing for the Permanent Diaconate for the Archdiocese of Tuam under the direction of Fr. Stephen Farragher.

On this Sunday 21st November, with God's help, Archbishop Michael Neary will ordain Cathal Galligan, (Corofin), Julian Drapiewski (Athenry), and James McLoughlin (Burriscarra-Carnacon) to the Permanent Diaconate. All three are married men with families and in fulltime employment. While each one was involved in some form of ministry in their own parishes prior to preparation for the Permanent Diaconate, each one is looking forward to taking up this new ministry in the Archdiocese.

The ministry of the deacon revolves around the Word, Altar, and Charity. Archbishop Francis Duffy, once he takes up his responsibilities in Tuam, will, in consultation with the priests and others, assign to the new deacons their particular tasks and responsibilities.

### ADVENT TALKS AT KNOCK SHRINE

**Thursday Evenings: 2<sup>nd</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> December at 8.15pm.**

Location: St John's Rest & Care Centre and live on [www.knockshrine.ie/watch-live](http://www.knockshrine.ie/watch-live)

With Fr Eamonn Conway, Head of Theology & Religious Studies, MIC, University of Limerick and Julie Kavanagh, member of the National Synodal Steering Committee, Diocese of Kildare and Leighlin.

As the initial phase of the Synodal Pathway for the Catholic Church in Ireland is now underway, these talks will offer the opportunity for discussion and reflection to help deepen our understanding of this important subject.

Thursday 2nd: Fr Eamonn Conway - Synodality: What does it mean?

Thursday 9th: Julie Kavanagh - Synodality: How does it work?

Thursday 16th: Fr Eamonn Conway - Synodality: Why does it matter?

### MAYO/ROSCOMMON HOSPICE TEA/COFFEE DAY:

Katie Sloyan wishes to thank most sincerely all who supported her coffee morning in memory of her aunt Imelda Murphy (née Sloyan) R.I.P. Total raised €3,000.

On Friday morning, 12 November, the Holy Father presided at a meeting of prayer and testimonies in Assisi, where he met with a group of 500 poor people from various parts of Europe for a moment of listening and prayer.

The meeting took place on the occasion of the Fifth World Day of the Poor, held on Sunday, 14 November. Three poor people then addressed some words of welcome to him, and symbolically handed him the pilgrim's cloak and staff, to indicate that they had come as pilgrims to the places of Saint Francis in order to listen to his word.



Dear brothers and sisters, good morning!

I thank you for accepting my invitation - I was the guest! - to celebrate here in Assisi, the city of Saint Francis, the fifth World Day of the Poor that will be celebrated the day after tomorrow.

It is an idea that came from you, it grew, and we have now reached the fifth edition. Assisi is not just like any other city: Assisi bears the imprint of the face of Saint Francis. To think that he lived his restless youth along these streets, he received the call to live the Gospel to the letter, is a fundamental lesson for us.

Certainly, in some ways, his holiness makes us quiver because it seems impossible to imitate him. But then, when we remember some moments of his life, those "little flowers" that were collected to show the beauty of his vocation, we feel attracted by his simplicity of heart and simplicity of life: it is the very attraction to Christ, to the Gospel. These are actual facts of his life that are worth more than preaching.

I would like to recall one of them that expresses well the personality of the Poverello (cf. Little Flowers, chapter 13: Fonti Francescane, 1841-1842). He and Brother Masseo had embarked on a journey to go to France, but they had not taken any provisions with them. At a certain point, they had to begin to ask for charity.

Francis went in one direction and Brother Masseo in another. But, as the Little Flowers recount, Francis was small of stature and those who did not know him took him to be a "tramp"; instead, Brother Masseo "was a tall and handsome man". Thus it was that Saint Francis succeeded in obtaining some pieces of stale and hard bread, while Brother Masseo was given some beautiful pieces of bread.

When the two found themselves together again, they sat down on the ground and placed what they had collected on a rock. Seeing the pieces of bread his brother had collected, Francis said: "Brother Masseo, we are not worthy of this great treasure". The brother, marvelling, responded: "Father Francis, how can you speak of a treasure where there is such poverty and even what is necessary is lacking?" Francis replied: "It is precisely this that I consider a great treasure, that there is nothing, but what we have has been given by Providence who has given us this bread". This is the teaching that Saint Francis gives us: knowing how to be content with the little we have and to share it with others.

**WATER QUALITY IN MAYO RIVERS:** Water quality in our rivers, lakes and coastal waters has declined in recent years, and urgent action is needed to halt the decline and reverse the damage. Your views and comments on water quality in your local area are invited to help shape the plan for action for the next six years, and how benefits for water, biodiversity, climate and communities can be achieved.

A public online meeting will be held on Wednesday 1st December at 7.30pm. For further information contact Tom Carolan, Community Water Officer, on 085-8709612 or email: [tomcarolan@lawaters.ie](mailto:tomcarolan@lawaters.ie)