

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON**

All the earth shall bow down before you, O God, and shall sing to you, shall sing to your name, O Most High!

**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 raise us to new life: Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, you forgive us our sins: Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, you feed us with your body and blood: 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, who govern all things, both in heaven and on earth, mercifully hear the pleading of your people and bestow your peace on our times. Through our Lord Jesus Christ....

**LITURGY OF THE WORD**

**FIRST READING Isaiah 49: 3. 5-6**

**A reading from the prophet Isaiah**

The Lord said to me, 'You are my servant, Israel, in whom I shall be glorified'; I was honoured in the eyes of the Lord, my God was my strength.

And now the Lord has spoken, he who formed me in the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob back to him, to gather Israel to him:

'It is not enough for you to be my servant, to restore the tribes of Jacob and bring back the survivors of Israel; I will make you the light of the nations so that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth.

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

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps. 39: 2.4.7-10**

**R. Here I am, Lord! I come to do your will.**

1. I waited, I waited for the Lord and he stooped down to me; he heard my cry. He put a new song into my mouth, praise of our God. **[R]**

2. You do not ask for sacrifice and offerings, but an open ear. You do not ask for holocaust and victim. Instead, here am I. **[R]**

3. In the scroll of the book it stands written that I should do your will. My God, I delight in your law in the depth of my heart. **[R]**

4. Your justice I have proclaimed in the great assembly. My lips I have not sealed; you know it, O Lord. **[R]**

**SECOND READING 1 Corinthians 1:1-3**

**A reading from the 1st letter of St. Paul's to the Corinthians**

I, Paul, appointed by God to be an apostle, together with brother Sosthenes, send greetings to the church of God in Corinth, to the holy people of Jesus Christ, who are called to take their place among all the saints everywhere who pray to our Lord Jesus Christ; for he is their Lord no less than ours. May God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ send you grace and peace.

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

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

**Alleluia, alleluia! The Word was made flesh and lived among us; to all who did accept him he gave power to become children of God. Alleluia!**



**GOSPEL John 1:29-34**

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

Seeing Jesus coming towards him, John

said, 'Look, there is the Lamb of God that takes away the sin of the world. This is the one I spoke of when I said: A man is coming after me who ranks before me because he existed before me. I did not know him myself, and yet it was to reveal him to Israel that I came baptising with water.' John also declared, 'I saw the Spirit coming down on him from heaven like a dove and resting on him. I did not know him myself, but he who sent me to baptise with water had said to me, "The man on whom you see the Spirit come down and rest is the one who is going to baptise with the Holy Spirit." Yes, I have seen and I am the witness that he is the Chosen One of God.'

**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:*

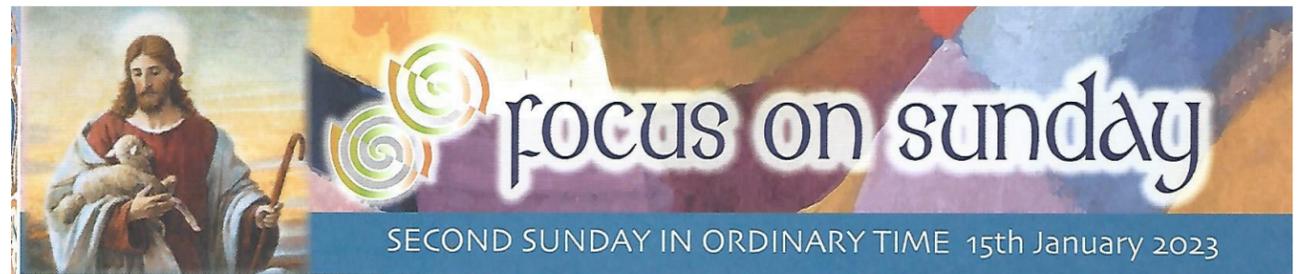
and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will 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**

Grant us, O Lord, we pray, that we may participate worthily in these mysteries, for whenever the memorial of this sacrifice is celebrated the work of our redemption is accomplished. Through Christ our Lord.



SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 15th January 2023

The Christian life is a calling from God to be companions of Jesus and work for the spread of his love and justice. All of us are asked to do this in our own lives.

**EUCCHARISTIC 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.* We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

**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**

**We have come to know and to believe in the love that God has for us.**

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Pour on us, O Lord, the Spirit of your love, and in your kindness make those you have nourished by this one heavenly Bread one in mind and heart. Through Christ our Lord.

**CONCLUDING RITE**

The Lord be with you. And with your spirit.

May your faithful people rejoice, we pray, O Lord, to be upheld by your right hand, and, progressing in the Christian life, may they delight in good things both now and in the time to come. Through Christ our Lord. 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.



In the Gospel today John identifies Jesus as the "Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world". This is a very different sort of leader than people were expecting. Not a great king but a sacrificial lamb. The one who would put his people before everything even his own life. He is baptised by John with water as a sign of his humanity. John testifies to Jesus' power to baptise with the Holy Spirit as a sign of his divinity. True God and True Man. The servant of both.

The Greek word for sin used in the New Testament is hamartia. It is a technical term from archery meaning to miss the mark. In this sense it can cover both wilful wrongdoing and the occasional shortcomings we are all guilty of. The failure to love each other as we should, to accord every life the dignity and respect it deserves.

As always, for Christians following the path of Jesus, the path of hope and redemption, has its challenges. Are we "lambs of God" who will put others first? Do we strive to see the dignity in other people? To raise them up? Do we welcome the displaced and offer comfort to the marginalised?

This week maybe think about the times we fell short or were wide of the mark. Take the time to forgive someone who hurt us and to seek forgiveness from someone we have hurt.

**Jesus' Story** *Fr. Liam Hickey*

John The Baptist was a good man. He praised Jesus. He asked the people to follow Jesus. John put other people first. At Mass we praise God too. We say thanks for all our blessings. We ask God to help us to put other people first.

# ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH, BALLYHAUNIS

## PARISH NEWSLETTER 15th JANUARY 2023

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Local Safeguarding Representative (LSR) Jacinta Flynn, (contact the parish office)

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Knock: 094-9388100

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### ANNIVERSARY MASSES 16th-22nd JANUARY 2023

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

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Robert & Phil Fox, Carrowreagh

Paul Moran, Bracklaghboy

Thomas & Kathleen Connell, Redford

Richard Grogan, Devlis

John, Teresa, John & Phyllis Murphy, Cartron North, Tooreen

James & Brigid Costello and Mary Kate Cosgrove, Bohogue

Pat, Patrick & Mary Ellen Regan, Derrynacong

Séan, Bridie & Frank Regan, Killinaugher

Patrick & Catherine Regan, Killinaugher

Catherine Kavanagh, Station Rise

Peter & Mary Gallagher, Derrintogher & Bridie Goldstein, USA

Jack & Maureen Ruane, Ballincar, Sligo

Decd. of the Flanagan & Grogan families, Spaddagh

Peter & Kathleen Regan, Agloragh

Judith, Nora & Michael Regan, Killinaugher

Noreen Horkan, Church Park

Eddie, Noreen, Ted, Mary & decd. of the Webb, Lyons & Vahey families

Mamie & Michael Curley, Main St.

Jimmy, John & Helena Finnegan, Bohogue

### Sunday 22nd January—First Anniversary Mass

Noreen Morley, Knox St.

Séan Regan, Killinaugher



### MASSES:

Monday, Tuesday,

Wednesday, Friday 10.00am.

Saturday Evening Vigil:

7.30pm

Sunday: 10.00am.

### CONFESSIONS:

Before Saturday Vigil Mass

### EUCCHARISTIC

### ADORATION

Each day on selected hours

between 9am & 7pm

### BAPTISMS

First Saturday & third Sunday

of the month at 11.00am.

Minimum of four weeks'

notice required. Contact the

parish office, 094-9630006.



16th-22nd Jan	READERS	MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST
Monday	Martin Fitzmaurice	Fionnuala Nolan, Anne Carney
Tuesday	Tommy Caulfield	Margaret Tarpey, Lorraine Waldron
Wednesday	Mary Donnelly	Margie Gallagher, Irene Healy
Friday	Christina Concannon	Kay Curley, Willie Broderick
Saturday 7.30pm	Alex Eaton	Helene McCafferty, Deirdre Browne, Breda Davis, Eileen Jordan
Sunday 10am	Murt Hunt	Mary Sykes, Mary Murphy, Miriam Judge, Breege Halpin

### Recently Deceased—

We remember in our prayers

Frank Fetherston, Abbeyquarter & formerly Granlahan

John Crehan, Dublin, son of Una & the late Martin Crehan, Devlis;

Jack Brophy, Dublin, husband of Patricia Fitzmaurice, Lisbane

Catherine (Kitty) Connell née Donnellan, Devlis;

Chris (William) Caulfield, Galway & formerly Carrowkeel;

Margaret Ramsey née Griffin, Newcastle, UK & formerly Gurrane;

Frank Regan, Leicester & formerly Killinaugher—brother of Kathleen

Regan, Derrynacong

All weekday and weekend Masses, and the daily Rosary at 9.00pm continue to be broadcast on parish radio 105.2FM and streamed on the parish webcam: <https://www.mcnmedia.tv/camera/st-patricks-church-ballyhaunis> or on the website: [www.ballyhaunisparish.ie](http://www.ballyhaunisparish.ie).

**CHY3 CERTIFICATES:** Some parishioners will have received certificates in the post this week, as their 5-year CHY3 Cert has now expired. Please return the completed certificate in the enclosed stamped addressed envelope, or drop it into the Parish Office. This is a Tax Rebate Scheme which is of considerable financial benefit to the parish. Parishioners who are taxpayers and who contribute €250 or more per year to the Church, by way of the weekly collections or the quarterly priests' collections, can participate by completing the CHY3 Cert, which is valid for 5 years. If you receive a cert, but are **not** eligible for tax, please sign the section at the bottom of the letter, and return to the Parish Office, so we can update our records.

### Offertory Collection

8th January 2023

€2,340

### Recently Baptised

We welcome into the Faith

Community

Precious Kimberley Crean Allen,

Kiltiboe

**PPC MEETING:** The next meeting takes place **this Monday evening** 16th January at 8pm in the Community Hall.

**NEW PCC:** The present Parish Pastoral Council was elected to serve a 4-year term 2017-2021, but all members kindly agreed to stay on for an extra year, due to the Covid-19 pandemic, for which we are truly grateful. In the coming weeks, you will be asked to nominate people for a new Parish Pastoral Council to serve from 2023 to 2027. A brochure will be circulated to homes in the parish, containing some basic information about a Parish Pastoral Council. The following are some of the qualities we are looking for, when nominating members for the new council:

- They should have time to give: some people are already too pressurized to be able to meet the time commitment.
- They should be able to think in terms of the whole parish. Some people find it hard to see beyond a particular area of interest.
- They should be team people, able to work well with others, good listeners, interested in other views and perspectives. Some cannot see beyond their own preoccupations.
- They should be open to new ways of doing things, with an energy and passion about the future of the parish and not stuck in the ways of the past.
- They should be able to work by way of meetings: planning, discussing and reviewing. Many people who are 'doers' find meetings intolerable.

**SCOIL ÍOSA:** Enrolment of new pupils in Scoil Íosa primary school for the 2023-2024 school year is now open. Application forms are available from the school, ring 094 9630310 or from the website: [www.iosaballyhaunis.com](http://www.iosaballyhaunis.com)

**CONFIRMATION:** A meeting of parents/ guardians of the Confirmation class will take place in Scoil Íosa on **Tuesday 24th January** at 8pm. All are asked to attend. The Confirmation will take place on Saturday 20th May.

**COPIES OF THE IRISH CATHOLIC NEWSPAPER** are available at the back of the church. Cost €2.50.

**YOUNG ADULTS NIGHT:** The Tuam Archdiocese invites its youth & young adults to attend a diocesan night on Saturday 4th February, beginning with Vigil Mass in Tuam Cathedral at 6pm, followed by talks, testimonies, prayers, music & social time. For more details, call Mark on 093 24250.

**SILENT RETREAT:** If you need some time for yourself, to leave noise and distractions behind and enter into the peace and love of God, a silent retreat on the theme "If you but knew the gift of God..." will be held in St. Mary's Accommodation, Knock from 6th to 12th February. The retreat is organised by the Foyer of Charity, and includes daily Mass, Rosary & Eucharistic Adoration. For more details, call Helen on 086 1678027 or email [hellywilliams@gmail.com](mailto:hellywilliams@gmail.com)

**FESTIVALS & EVENTS:** An open meeting to discuss a roadmap of festivals and events in Ballyhaunis for 2023 will take place on Monday 30th January from 9pm to 10pm in the Enterprise Centre. All welcome to attend, and committee officers will be elected on the night.

**KNOCK YOUTH LEADERSHIP PROGRAMME:** This programme aims to bring together a group of passionate & enthusiastic people from different parishes to learn youth ministry skills and to bring these skills back to their parish to set up child and youth-focused faith activities/ gatherings/ events. On completion of the programme ( 2 weekends and 11 Saturdays over an 18-month period), participants will receive two certificates—a Certificate in Youth Ministries accredited by Queens University Belfast, and a Certificate in Practical Youth Work/ Ministry Skills, accredited by The Open University, Northern Ireland. Applications close on 31st January, and the programme starts on the weekend of 25th /26th February. Places are limited, and for more details, contact the Youth Ministry at Knock Shrine on 094 9375321.

**LIVING WELL** is a free online group programme aimed at helping people manage their long-term health conditions and improve their wellbeing. The programme is delivered over six workshops (2.5 hrs x 6) by trained leaders, most of whom are also living with a long-term health condition. Participants do not have to disclose their health condition. The next online programmes commence on 12th & 31st January and 20th Feb. Places are limited and must be booked in advance by contacting Liam Gildea on 086 0142675 or email [lgildea@southmayo.com](mailto:lgildea@southmayo.com)

**BALLYHAUNIS TABLE TENNIS CLUB** welcomes all to an age-friendly free coaching class on Monday & Wednesday 16th & 18th January from 6pm to 8pm in the Community Hall (formerly Parochial Hall). Enquiries to 087 3256133.

**BALLYHAUNIS ACTIVE RETIREMENT** will recommence meetings & activities on Wed. 25th January in the Communal House, Clare Court at 1.30pm. All members urged to attend the AGM, and officers will be elected at the meeting.

**MASS INTENTIONS** should be submitted to the Parish Office by lunchtime on Thursdays to ensure the names are included in the following week's Mass list. Items for the parish newsletter should also be submitted by Thursday lunchtime to ensure inclusion. Emails can be sent to [ballyhaunisparish@gmail.com](mailto:ballyhaunisparish@gmail.com)

**CHRISTMAS TREE RECYCLING SERVICE:** Trees can be disposed of at the bottle banks in the car park behind Main St. until Saturday 21st January. Please remove all decorations before recycling. This service is provided by Mayo County Council.