

Church of the Immaculate Heart of Mary

Bonniconlon, Ballina, Co Mayo

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Mass Intentions

Saturday	6.30pm	Michael and Martina Kelly and their grandson Simon Duffy. Padraig Loftus, Carralavin (5 th Anniversary). Billy, Kathleen and Charlie Judge, Carracrum. William and Bridget Fox, Bofield. Anthony, Elizabeth and Vincent Foy, Ellaghmore
Sunday	11.00am	No morning mass.
Monday	9.30am	No morning mass.
Tuesday	9.30am	No morning mass.
Wednesday	12.00am	Attymass Church: Holy Day- Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God.
Thursday	9.30am	No morning mass.
Friday	9.30am	No morning mass.
Saturday	10.00am	No morning mass.
	6.30pm	Martin Walsh, Drumsheen (5 th Anniversary). Peadar and Una O'Hara, Gertie O'Hara and the deceased of the families.
Sunday	11.00am	No morning mass.

Roster for 4th & 6th January, 2025

Readers:	Saturday 6.30pm Margaret O'Hara	Monday 10.00am Tom Doherty
Eucharistic Ministers:	Bernadette Judge Mary O'Malley	Kay Devine Jimmy Foody Evelyn Dempsey

Would like someone to talk to? SeniorLine is Ireland's national telephone service for older people open every day of the year 10am-10pm, Freephone 1800 80 45 91. Callers may feel isolated, alone, wish to discuss a problem in confidence, or for company during their day. SeniorLine's older volunteers are trained to listen, to support, to discuss options and to refer caller to other helpful services if necessary. So don't be alone if sharing a problem would help. Phone SeniorLine 1800 80 45 91, open every day of the year 10am-10pm

Fr Peyton Centre Christmas holiday arrangements: Closed at 2pm Friday 20th December 2025. Re-opening on Thursday 2nd January 2025 at 9.30am. The Knock Centre is now closed until Saturday 25th January 2025. The management and staff would like to wish you best wishes for the New Year. Thank you for your continued support throughout the year.

Home Sharers Required: Would you be interested in sharing your home and supporting an individual with a disability for a few hours per day, a couple of days per month, or longer term? Western Care are looking for single people/couples/families, to provide respite breaks for children and adults across County Mayo, in your own home. If you are interested and/or would like further information about Home Sharing, please contact Ruth Kneafsey, Home Share Co-ordinator on 094 9029148 or 087 6811261.

ACCORD, Ballaghaderreen offers marriage and relationship counselling in a secure setting, facilitating couples and individuals to explore, reflect upon and work to resolve difficulties that arise in their relationship. Please contact us on 094-9022214 or email accordcastlebar@gmail.com

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

29th December, 2024

Fr John Geelan P.P.

A prayer for the Sunday after Christmas

Jesus, child of the crib,
with Mary, who gave birth to you,
with Joseph, who protected you,
with the people of Nazareth, who welcomed you,
with the Temple teachers, who marvelled at you,
with our brothers and sisters throughout the
world,
we welcome you.
Jesus Saviour of the world, we welcome you.
Amen.

Offertory Envelopes: Church collection boxes for 2025 are available in all entrances to the church. If you require a new box please contact Fr. Geelan or the parish office.

CE Vacancy: A vacancy has arisen on the Bofield/Bonniconlon Community Employment Scheme for a General Operative. Reference 2361146. Department of Social Protection criteria applies. Contact cebonniconlon@gmail.com.

Bonniconlon Post Office: Thank you for your continued support. Transactions need to increase further to keep the Post Office open and this depends on every household using the services regularly.

Craoibhín Ballina Christmas Hours: Craoibhín will be close on Friday, December 20th 2024 at 4:00pm and will reopen on Monday 6th January 2025 at 9 am.

Defective Concrete Blocks Facilitator: Mayo North East Partnership hold clinics in North Mayo, Castlebar and Westport by appointment to assist homeowners with the DCB Grant scheme and application. All enquiries/appointment please contact : Caroline on 087 482 8261 / email: carolinewilson@mayonortheast.com.

Sunday, February 9th, at 3.00 p.m., Bishop Doran will lead a liturgy of blessing in the Cathedral, Ballaghaderreen for all engaged couples and married couples celebrating significant wedding anniversaries. Refreshments will be provided in St Nathy's College, following the liturgy of blessing.

Bulletin Notices: Due to Christmas holidays, the Parish bulletin for 29th December 2024 & 5th January 2025 are preprinted. Normal practice resumes on Monday 6th January 2025. Announcements may be handed to Fr. Geelan.

An Extract from Open the Door of Love

Loving Father, Help us remember the birth of
Jesus,
That we may share in the song of the angels,
The gladness of the shepherds,
And worship of the wise men.

Close the door of hate
And open the door of love all over the world.
Let kindness come with every gift
And good desires with every greeting.
Deliver us from evil by the blessing, which
Christ brings
And teach us to be merry with clear hearts.

— Robert Louis Stevenson

A Spiritual Thought



*Today be thankful, think how rich you are,
Your family is priceless, your time is Gold, your health is wealth
And your Saviour is the greatest treasure of all.*