

PASSION PLAY in the grounds of Ballintubber Abbey on Monday 3rd, Tuesday 4th and Wednesday 5th April at 9.00pm each evening. As it takes place outdoors, please wear warm clothing.

BEREAVEMENT COURSE: A four-week course entitled “Understanding Grief– A Journey Towards Healing” will be held in St. John’s Welcome Centre, Knock Shrine on April 5th, 12th, 19th & 26th at 8pm, presented by Monica Morley. Admission is free but booking is essential by calling 094 9375320.

PPC MEETING: A final training night for the new Parish Pastoral Council will take place on Tuesday evening at 8.30pm in the Community Hall.

CATECHISM / YOUCAT WORKSHOP will be held at Knock Shrine on Saturday 22nd April. The one-day workshop will be of particular interest to those who plan to start a study group of the Catholic Faith in their local area. For booking contact Máirín on 087 7950325 or visit the website www.catechism.ie

DARKNESS INTO LIGHT: The Ballyhaunis Darkness into Light Walk /Run will take place on the morning of Saturday 6th May, to help raise funds for suicide prevention. The start/ finish point for this year’s event will be the gym at Ballyhaunis Community School. Register online to take part in the sunrise event.

ANGER MANAGEMENT ONLINE COURSE: Knock Counselling Centre will run a 5-evening Online Anger Management programme, starting on Tuesday 18th April from 7-9pm. For details, contact Peter Devers at 094 9375032

THE PRIORY INSTITUTE provides online Theology courses to degree level. Participants can attend Saturday lectures in Tallaght or from the comfort of home. An Open Day will take place on Saturday 29th April in Tallaght, providing an opportunity to meet with current students and staff and attend a lecture on theology. For details, email enquiries@prioryinstitute.com

GAA: This weekend Ballyhaunis GAA & LGFA Club welcomes the Roger Casements Coventry Ladies U14 & U16 teams. They will play a Ballyhaunis selection on Sunday 2nd April in the Dome at the Centre of Excellence, Bekan from 1.30 to 3pm, with refreshments afterwards in the Community Hall (formerly the Parochial Hall) from 3.30 to 5.30pm. On Monday 3rd April, they will take part in a mini-blitz at Ballyhaunis GAA grounds from 3pm to 6pm. Please support & welcome our visitors.

DRAMA: Claremorris Drama Society are performing the comedy “Don’t Tell The Wife” in Ballyhaunis Community Hall on Fri 7th at 9pm & Sat 8th April at 8.30pm in aid of Brickens Meals on Wheels and Ballyhaunis LGFA. Tickets available at the door.

EASTER PARADE: The Ballyhaunis Easter Parade will take place on **Easter Monday** 10th April at 2pm, starting from Upper Main St. and proceeding down Main St, ending on Knox St. From 12pm to 4pm, Main Street will be closed to traffic, with local access only. The Ballyhaunis Festival & Events Committee is inviting businesses, organisations, clubs, schools and individuals to enter a float or marching band. A prize fund of €1,000 is on offer for the best floats. To register, email: ballyhaunischamber@gmail.com or call 094 9630311.



2nd April 2023

HOLY WEEK

PASSION (PALM) SUNDAY

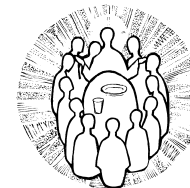
This day combines the commemoration of the triumphal entry of Jesus into Jerusalem and the proclamation of the Passion.

CHRISM MASS (WEDNESDAY)

Holy Oils (Oil of the Sick, Chrism, Oil of Baptism) to be used in the Archdiocese for the coming year are blessed in Tuam Cathedral at 6pm. Priests renew their Ordination Promises at this Mass.

HOLY THURSDAY

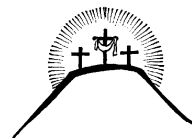
The season of Lent ends on Holy Thursday and the Easter Triduum begins with the evening Mass of the Lord’s Supper.



This Mass is a memorial of the institution of the Eucharist and of the Priesthood. The ceremony of the washing of feet is a reminder of the example of service set by Jesus at his last meal with his disciples.

GOOD FRIDAY

This is a day of fast and abstinence for the whole Church. The main ceremony of the day is the Solemn Celebration of the Lord’s Passion, the Veneration of the Cross and the reception



of Holy Communion. Other devotions such as the Stations of the Cross also take place in addition to the main ceremony.

HOLY SATURDAY

This day is a time of waiting at the tomb, fasting and meditating.

The Easter Vigil, beginning with the lighting of the Easter Fire, is celebrated after sundown.

The ceremony incorporates a vigil of waiting for the Resurrection, symbolised in the lighting of the Paschal candle.

EASTER SUNDAY

This is the day on which we celebrate the Resurrection of the Lord. It is the Sunday of all Sundays. We are invited to renew our baptismal promises.

It also marks the beginning of fifty days of celebration that end on Pentecost Sunday.



ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH, BALLYHAUNIS



PARISH NEWSLETTER 2nd APRIL 2023

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Webcam: <http://www.ballyhaunisparish.ie> or www.mcnmedia.tv

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

MASSES:

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, 10.00am. Holy Thursday: 8.00pm.

Good Friday Liturgy: 8.00pm. Holy Saturday Easter Vigil: 9.00pm.

Easter Sunday: 10.00 am. & 12 noon

Emergency numbers: Knock: 094-9388100. Fr. Feeney, Ballinlough: 094-9640155.

Fr. McGuinness, Bekan: 094-9380203

ANNIVERSARY MASSES 3rd - 5th APRIL

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, 10.00am. There will be no morning Mass on Good Friday:

Anne Hunt & decd. Lecarrow

Annie Coffey, Claremorris

Enda & Gerard Murphy & Emma Browne

John Neenan & decd. Coolnafarna

Tim & Mary Ellen Fleming & decd. of the Fleming & Caulfield families, Scrigg

Ann & Tom Heneghan & decd. of the Heneghan families, Tullaghaune

SUNDAY 9TH APRIL—FIRST ANNIVERSARY

Mary Dillon, Doctor's Road

John Hunt, Cloonfad & formerly Lecarrow

3rd-5th APRIL	READERS	MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST
Monday	Jarlath Fahey	Joe Byrne, Anne Carney
Tuesday	Willie Broderick	Lorraine Waldron, Margaret Tarpey
Wednesday	Mary Donnelly	Margaret Byrne, Irene Healy

Offertory Collection

26th March 2023

€1,915

Recently Baptised

We welcome into the Faith Community

Harry Joseph Murphy, Gurteen

Recently deceased—We remember in our prayers

Breege Jordan née Kelly, Ballina & formerly of Island;

Ciarán Walsh, Lisacul—son of Liam Walsh, formerly of Clagnagh

HOLY WEEK & EASTER CEREMONIES 2023

Palm Sunday - 2nd April: Palms are being blessed at Masses this weekend.

Service of Reconciliation & Confessions at 6.00pm Sunday.

HOLY THURSDAY: Mass of the Lord's Supper at 8.00pm. followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament until 10.00pm.

Reader: Emer Gallagher

Eucharistic Ministers: Mary Freeley, Patricia Plunkett, Frances Mulhern

The Offertory collection this evening will be donated to Trócaire. Please return your Trócaire contributions by Holy Thursday.

GOOD FRIDAY: Stations of the Cross at 3.00pm. followed by Confessions.

Good Friday Liturgy at 8.00pm.

Readers: Frank Browne, Orlaith Coffey

Eucharistic Ministers: Marion Regan, Deirdre Browne, Laura Brogan

Good Friday is a day of fast and abstinence on which we are expected to fast and abstain from meat. There will be no Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

A collection for the upkeep of Holy Places in the Holy Land will be taken up.

HOLY SATURDAY: Easter Vigil at 9.00pm followed by blessing of food for members of our Eastern European community.

Readers: Tommy Caulfield, Mary Donnelly, Christina Concannon

Eucharistic Ministers: Breege Halpin, Mary T. Griffin, Breda Davis, Marina Coyne

EASTER SUNDAY: Mass at 10.00am. & 12 noon.

10.00am. Reader: Willie Ryan

Eucharistic Ministers: Eileen Lynch, Helen Freeley, Gilmar Neves, Mary Murphy

12.00 Reader: Mike Byrne

Eucharistic Ministers: Eileen Jordan, Helena Byrne, Dympna Greally

Holy Week Ceremonies will be broadcast live on Mid West Radio

PRIESTS' EASTER COLLECTION: Envelopes for the Priests' Easter Collection are now available. **We would be very grateful if the distributors of envelopes would collect them from the sacristy after any of the Masses this weekend.**

The Easter Collection will be gratefully accepted at any of the Holy Week ceremonies and on Easter Sunday. If you wish to set up a direct debit the account details are:

Ballyhaunis Parish Church, Priests Account. BIC: AIBKIE2D

IBAN: IE97 AIBK 9374 4421 342 354.

The bank account details are also printed on the back of the envelopes.

GOOD FRIDAY CLEAN-UP will take place in Ballyhaunis on Friday 7th April, in conjunction with National Spring Clean 2023. Bags, gloves & pickers will be available from 9.30am at the Community Hall, and facilities will be provided to dispose of all the litter collected. Ballyhaunis Tidy Towns invites local clubs, organisations, residents' associations and neighbourhood groups to come together and carry out a litter pick in their own local area. Your support is appreciated.

CHURCH GATE COLLECTION: The Faith & Light Community would like to thank all who contributed to the recent collection which amounted to €647.