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|  | **Church of the Holy Family, Ballycroy****Mass Centre - National School - Innisbiggle****Christopher J. Ginnelly****(098) 49 134 (086) 89 33 278****ballycroyparish@gmail.com****James M Cribben, Geesala (087) 64 69 016****27th Feb 2022**[**www.ballycroyparish.ie**](http://www.ballycroyparish.ie) |

**Mass at 11am will be Broadcast on our Facebook Page**. *The outside speaker will be in operation if you wish to listen to the mass on the grounds. Special Thanks to Cathy / Nora for operating the live broadcast on Facebook and to Shelly for the beautiful selection of music and hymns.*

**Lent begins on Wednesday, March 2nd , 2022 — *with Ash Wednesday. It is two years since we had public masses for Ash Wednesday and Lent. So this year let us all make a special effort to make this Lenten season special. We could make it a time of thanksgiving for coming through the pandemic and remembering those who have died.***

* **What are your plans for this Lent? May I suggest the following**
1. ***Attend Mass when possible.***
2. ***Take up the Family Rosary.***
3. ***Stations of the Cross***
4. ***Your Trocaire Box will arrive this week. Place it in a visible location, donate and remember the poor in the Third World.***

**8th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Sat 2pm Island Mass, People of the Parish**

**Sat 8pm Patrick Cleary, London-Drumslide (2nd Ann)**

**Sun 11am Thomas, Bridget Campbell (Doona), Dec’d Campbell Family.**

 **Paddy Munnelly (Cambridge)**

**Sun 12.15pm Bangor Mass**

**Tue 10am Mass – All Welcome**

**Ash Wednesday – Beginning of Lent – Blessing & Distribution of Ashes**

**Wed 11.30am Bangor Church Mass**

**Wed 7pm People of the Parish**

**Thur 10am Mass – All Welcome**

**Fri 10am Mass – All welcome**

**1st Sunday of Lent**

**Sat 5pm Ballymunnelly Church**

**Sat 8pm Holy Souls**

**Sun 11am 1. Michael, Mary Finn (Blenkeragh).**

 **John, Mary, David Murray (Cambridge)**

 **2. Jackie O’Boyle (5th Ann)**

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| **Altar Society Schedule:** Sincere thanks to Bernie S: M Cafferkey, M McGowan, S Carolan G2, for looking after the church last week. **This week is** *Kathleen R: A McManamon, J. Keane, G Grealis G3* |
| **Week to 6th Mar** | ***Kathleen R: A McManamon, J. Keane, G Grealis G3*** |
| **Week to 13th Feb** | ***Christina T: M Keane, M. Conway, K ‘or’ N Campbell G4*** |
| **Readers Schedule Jan** | **Readers** | **Eucharistic Ministers** |
| **Sat 26th Feb 8pm** | Family | M Sweeney |
| **Sun 27th Feb** | Family | C Togher |
| **Sat 5th Mar 8pm** | Family | P Ginty |
| **Sun 6th Mar** | Family | B Shanaghan |

**Ballycroy women's group** invite all ladies to Celebrate International  Women's day on Tuesday 8th March for dinner in Nevins €20 pps. Open to all ladies . If interested give names to Patrica Grealis .Booking essential.  Dinner at 6.30 Nevins.

**Notice for Erris Annual Tour: Erris annual tour to the Slieve Russell Hotel in Cavan 27th - 30th June. €290 per person sharing and €320 single room, this includes breakfast on the way going and dinner on the way home along with 3 nights Dinner, B&B. We need names as soon as possible as the two Erris buses are full and they are looking for seats on our bus. Please contact Peggy 086 1019 169.**

**25 Card Drive, partners, Sunday 27th February at 7.30pm** in Ballycroy Community Centre in aid of the community centre's running costs. Refreshments will be served.

**Western Alzheimers Dementia Carer Support group** meetings are resuming and will be held on the first Wednesday of each month at 8pm in the Ballina Family Resource Centre, Unit 2 Abbey Street, Ardnaree, Ballina, Co Mayo.  Next Meeting is on Wednesday 2nd March 2022. For more information contact Western Alzheimers on : 094 93 64900

**An audio visual Pub Quiz** will be held in The Western Strands, Belmullet, at 8pm on Thursday, 3 March 2022, to raise funds for Coiste Oidhreachta Iorrais Belmullet-Erris Heritage & Historical Society. 20 Euro per table. Raffle prizes & good craic - bígí ann!

**The NEXT CENSUS WILL TAKE PLACE ON SUNDAY, APRIL 3.** Francis Tully (Claggan) will be the Parish Enumerator and will be calling to houses over the next few weeks.

**Come to our CAREGiverSM Recruitment Day!** Venue: Home Instead Mayo, Unit 4, McHale Retail Park, Castlebar, Co Mayo Date: Thursday February 24, 2022 Time: 10am-

**Bereavement Support:** Losing a loved one is always a difficult experience. During Covid many support services were missing but from February 2nd, the weekly bereavement support group will resume every Wednesday morning at 11am in the Family Centre at Knock Shrine. Further information from Monica Morley on 094-9375320.

**Keeping Children Safe: The Diocese of Killala is fully committed to keeping children safe. If you have any concerns around their safety in any circumstance, please contact;**

**The Diocesan Liaison Person – Confidential No - 087 1003554. (Please see more information on the notice board).**

**Snippetts:**

**Eucharist Ministers**

1. Marian Masterson
2. Bernie Hough
3. Noreen Grealis
4. Mary Sweeney
5. Christina Togher
6. Geraldine Murray
7. Peggy Ginty
8. Bernadette Shanaghan

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| **Alter Society Schedule: Sincere thanks to Patricia & Group 1 for looking after the church last week. This week Bernie S & Group 2 will on duty.**  |
| **Week to 5th Dec** | **Bernie S: M Cafferkey, M McGowan, S Carolan G2** |
| **Week to 11th Dec** | **Kathleen R: A McManamon, J. Keane, G Grealis G3** |
| **Week to 19th Dec** | **Christina T: M Keane, M. Conway, K ‘or’ N Campbell G4** |
| **Week to 25th Dec** | **Patricia G: M Sweeney (Tar), M McGowan, J Campbell G1** |
| **Week to**  | **Bernie S: M Cafferkey, M McGowan, S Carolan** |
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| **Monthly Schedule** | **Readers** | **Eucharistic Ministers** |
| **Sat 26th Nov: 6.30pm** | **Family** | **Bernie Hough** |
| **Sun 27th Nov: 11am** | **Family** | **Noreen Grealis** |
| **Sat 4th Dec: 6.30pm** | **Family** | **Mary Sweeney** |
| **Sun 5th Dec: 11am** | **Family** | **Christina Togher** |

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**Shranmonragh**

**Ballygauravan**

**Drumgallagh**

**Ballygarauvaun**

**Greggane**

**Knockmoyleen**

**Gortbreac**

**Our Beloved Dead Please pray for the Faithful Departed; Mary Coyle – nee McManamon (Achill) passed away in Wales, Sister of Kathleen Conway (Tallagh). May her Soul Rest in Peace.**

**Baptism:We welcome into our Christian Community Rosie Grealis, Baptised in our Parish Church on the 19th Dec 2020. May the Lord accompany you on your earthly journey...... Congratulations to the Parents Aidan and Leanne.**

**Godparents, Michael Grealis and Kelly Loftus.**

**Wedding Bells: Congratulations and Best Wishes to Shannon Conway Glenn and Colin Duffy who recently married in our Parish Church.**

**Lent begins on Wednesday, March 2nd , 2022 — with Ash Wednesday. Holy ashes will be available to parishioners, with the words, “from dust you came and from dust you will return.” The ashes are made by burning palm branches from the previous year's Palm Sunday (this year, Palm Sunday falls on April 10th ).**