### Church of the Immaculate Heart of Mary

#### Bonniconlon, Ballina, Co Mayo

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### **Mass Intentions**

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Saturday	8.00pm	Martin Igoe, Kilbride. (1st Anniversary)
Sunday	10.30am	Martin and Teresa Quinn, Kilbride and their daughter Bridie Durkan.
Monday	9.30am	No morning mass.
Tuesday	9.30am	William Melody, Bofield.
Wednesday	9.30am	Morning Mass.
Thursday	9.30am	Morning Mass.
Friday	9.30am	Morning Mass.
	7.00pm	Michael Kavanagh, Saltfield and the deceased members of the family. (Refreshments afterwards)
Saturday	10.00am	Jimmy Gilmartin, Whitestream (Month's Mind)
	8.00pm	James and Brigid Crean, Carracrum.
Sunday	10.30am	Palm Sunday: Michael Meer, Bofield (Month's Mind) (Grow in Love)

## Roster for 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> March, 2024

Readers:	Saturday 8.00pm Francis Sweeney	<b>Sunday 10.30am</b> Elaine Mullarkey
Eucharistic Ministers:	Bernadette Judge Margaret Devine	Jimmy Foody Evelyn Dempsey Breege Hennigan

Your prayers are requested for the happy repose of the soul of **Maureen Henry**, Drumsheen, who was laid to rest during the week. May she rest in peace...

**Penitential Service for Easter** will take place on Thursday night, 21<sup>st</sup> March, in Bonniconlon church from 8.00pm to 9.00pm. Outside priests will be in attendance.

**Monday, 25th March at 7.30pm – Chrism Mass**, Cathedral, Ballaghaderreen. The Chrism Mass is a special gathering of the "Diocesan family." Bishop Paul has issued an open invitation to all parishioners from across the Diocese. This might be especially of interest to those involved in parish life such as members of Parish Pastoral Councils, Finance Committees, Readers, Eucharistic Ministers, Altar Societies, Adoration Groups, Collectors, Members of BOMs, Sacristans, John Paul II Participants, Parish Secretaries, Choirs, etc. Light refreshments will be served in St. Nathy's College after Mass.

**Bonniconlon Post Office:** We are delighted that the Bonniconlon Post Office has re-opened and we now encourage all parishioners young and old, and those in our neighbouring communities to support this important community service to ensure its on going viability. Lucia and Sinead look forward to serving you."

A Lenten Mass will take place each Friday evening during Lent with refreshments available afterwards. This decision by our Pastoral Council is intended to encourage a friendly get-together within a prayerful atmosphere. Everyone is, of course, invited to the masses and cuppa afterwards.



## 5<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT/B 17<sup>th</sup> March, 2024 Fr John Geelan P.P.

The Synodal Journey was launched in October 2021. Many parishioners attended gatherings in our Diocese (and throughout the country) to share their ideas about the Church. These were very helpful meetings and I appreciate the efforts people made to come along and join in the conversations. In order to feedback to parishioners on what has happened since, a very helpful video has been produced. It is entitled: "The Synodal Pathway, the Journey So Far..." This can be found on our Diocesan Website, www.achonrydiocese.org. I hope this will be helpful in outlining the process so far and charting the next steps on the journey. Beannachtaí, +Paul Dempsey, Bishop of Achonry.



BONNICONLON G.A.A. Lotto Draw Result 03/03/2024

New Jackpot: €10,250 NUMBERS DRAWN, 1, 3, 6, 20. No Jackpot winner, Jackpot €10,100 5x €40 winners were as follows:

Annie May Reape [yearly]
Maureen and Laura Mc Shane, Kilbride.
Mary Gallagher, Bonniconlon.
Don Whitmore, Knockroe.
Anne Walsh, Bonniconlon.
Next draw the 16th March 2024.
Play Online: Visit www.bonniconlongaa.com

**CE Vacancy:** A vacancy has arisen on the Bofield/Bonniconlon Community Employment Scheme for a Parish Secretary (Bonniconlon Area) Ref: 2324154. DSP criteria applies. To check eligibility contact Intreo Office, Ballina or phone 087 6772537.

### **Strictly For The Birds**

Bonniconlon Drama Society are presenting their production of Strictly For The Birds, a 3-Act comedy by Sam Cree on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup>, Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> and Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> March in the Grove Hall at 8.00pm. Doors open at 7.00pm. Tickets on the door. Adults; €12. National school children; Free

**Mayo Cancer Support** thank all who supported and facilitated its recent Church Gate Collection at Bonniconlon Church on the weekend of March  $2^{nd}$  and  $3^{rd}$ . Special thanks to the volunteer collectors. A total of €199.48 was raised. These funds will support the ongoing provision of emotional support to local people affected by cancer.

### All married couples deserve a WWME weekend!

The Next Weekend will be held in the Focolare Centre, Prosperous, Co. Kildare - Friday 26th April-28th April 2024.

Register online.www.marriageencounter.ie. Good marriages can always be made better!

ACCORD Catholic Marriage Care Service CLG is currently recruiting volunteers to train as marriage preparation programme facilitators. If you have a positive attitude towards marriage in the Catholic Church and have the enthusiasm to be part of the Accord team in supporting couples who are preparing for the Sacrament of Marriage, Accord wants to hear from you! Successful applicants will receive professional training and will be part of a team delivering marriage preparation programmes locally. Contact Aisling on 01 505 3112 or by email to marriagepreparation@accord.ie.

**Bulletin Notices:** Notices for the Parish Bulletin can be emailed to cebonniconlon@gmail.com or before each Wednesday.



# A Spiritual Thought

No one has travelled the roads of success without ever crossing the streets of failure. God never promised us an easy journey in life.