

Church of the Immaculate Heart of Mary

Bonniconlon, Ballina, Co. Mayo

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Mass Intentions

Saturday	8.00pm	No Evening Mass.
Sunday	10.30am	Deceased members of the Loftus and O'Shea families.
Monday	9.30am	No Morning Mass.
Tuesday	9.30am	Patricia & Gerry Murray, Glenree.
Wednesday	9.30am	No Morning Mass
Thursday	9.30am	No Morning Mass.
Friday	9.30am	No Morning Mass.
Saturday	10.00am	Anthony, Elizabeth and Vincent Foy, Ellaghmore.
	8.00pm	Martin Walsh, Drumsheen - 2nd Anniversary.

Covid Guidelines:

- 1: Stewards will continue to take you to your seats.
- 2: Face masks are required as well as hand sanitizing.
- 3: Only 50% of seating capacity now usable. No standing allowed in the porch or within the church.
- 4: Parish Newsletters will be only available at both exits of the Church.
- 5: Holy Communion will be distributed after mass as people proceed to the exit doors.
- 6: People who have attended mass outside of the Church may enter the Church to receive Holy Communion at the end of Mass.
- 7: From Sundays to Thursdays the Church will be closed at 4pm.
- 8: For the duration of the Covid-19 pandemic, please do not leave books or prayer leaflets in the church as they will be removed.

Covid-19 Support Line for Older People:

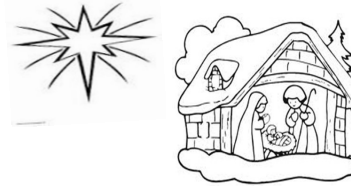
Alone manage a national support line. Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open seven days a week, 8am—8pm, by calling 0818 222 024.

The Holy Family of Jesus Mary and Joseph / C

26th December, 2021

Fr. John Geelan PP.

The Meaning of the Christmas Crib.



In the year 1220 St. Francis of Assisi visited Bethlehem. He liked the way Christmas was celebrated there so much, that he asked the Pope for permission to recreate it in his own Italian village. He built a manger in a cave. In it he placed a stone image of the Baby Jesus. He surrounded the manger with real animals, then he said Mass. The people found it so moving, they said it felt like you were there at the actual birth of Jesus. Before long wooden nativity scenes were displayed in Churches and homes across Europe. Today they continue to be popular as a way of reminding us what Christmas is really about - the birth of

Jesus.

Bonniconlon Lotto Results

19th December 2021

Numbers Drawn

3 7 24 31

No Jackpot Winner

New Jackpot € 17,750

5 x €40 prize winners were as follows:

1. Gerry Sweeney, Rathreedane.
2. Martha Butler, Shanaghy, Ballina.
3. Grace McDonnell, Carralavin.
4. Martin Quinn, Bonniconlon (on line)
5. Christine Greavy, Knockroe.

Next draw weekend 25th December 2021.

Christmas Draw: 5x Extra €40 prizes.

If jackpot is not won.

Play on line: Visit www.bonniconlongaa.com

CE Vacancies: Vacancies has arisen on the Bofield/Bonniconlon Community Employment Scheme for **General Operatives**, Ref: 2202450. DSP criteria applies. To check eligibility contact Intreo Office, Ballina.

Bonniconlon Show Calendars: Calendars on sale in local shops at €5 or contact Gerry at 087 637 0070 or John at 087 294 2949.

Offertory Envelopes: Church collection boxes for 2022 will be available in the church porch. If you require a new box please contact Fr. Geelan or the parish office.

Western Care Association: The Castlebar Rotary Club Christmas Tree of Remembrance will run online again this year throughout the month of December in partnership with Western Care Association, you can access the Tree of Remembrance her <https://visufund.com/2021-mayo-tree-of-remembrance>.



A Spiritual Thought

Prayer is the key to heaven but Faith unlocks the door.