

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON**

**You are just, O Lord, and your judgement is right; treat your servant in accord with your merciful love.**

**GREETING**

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**  
The Lord be with you.  
**And with your spirit.**



**PENITENTIAL ACT**

Lord Jesus, you healed the sick: Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

Lord Jesus, you forgave sinners: Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**

Lord Jesus, you give yourself to heal us and bring us strength: Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

May almighty God have mercy on us.... **Amen.**

**THE GLORIA**

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;

you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

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then he shall die for his sin, but you yourself will have saved your life.'

**The word of the Lord.**  
**Thanks be to God.**

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps. 94:1-2, 6-9**

**R. O that today you would listen to his voice!**

**Harden not your hearts.**

1. Come, ring out our joy to the Lord; hail the rock who saves us. Let us come before him, giving thanks, with songs let us hail the Lord. **[R]**

2. Come in; let us bow and bend low; let us kneel before the God who made us

for he is our God and we the people who belong to his pasture, the flock that is led by his hand. **[R]**

3. O that today you would listen to his voice!

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refuses to listen to these, report it to the community; and if he refuses to listen to the community, treat him like a pagan or a tax collector.

'I tell you solemnly, whatever you bind on earth shall be considered bound in heaven; whatever you loose on earth shall be considered loosed in heaven.

'I tell you solemnly once again, if two of you on earth agree to ask anything at all, it will be granted to you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three meet in my name, I shall be there with them.'

**The Gospel of the Lord.**  
**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

**NICENE CREED**

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages.

God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven,

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.

I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come.

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**SECOND READING Romans 13: 8 - 10**

**A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans.**

Avoid getting into debt, except the debt of mutual love. If you love your fellow men you have carried out your obligations. All the commandments: You shall not commit adultery, you shall not kill, you shall not steal, you shall not covet, and so on, are summed up in this single command: You must love your neighbour as yourself.

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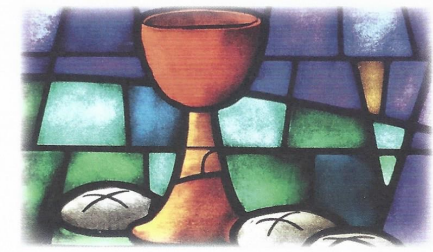
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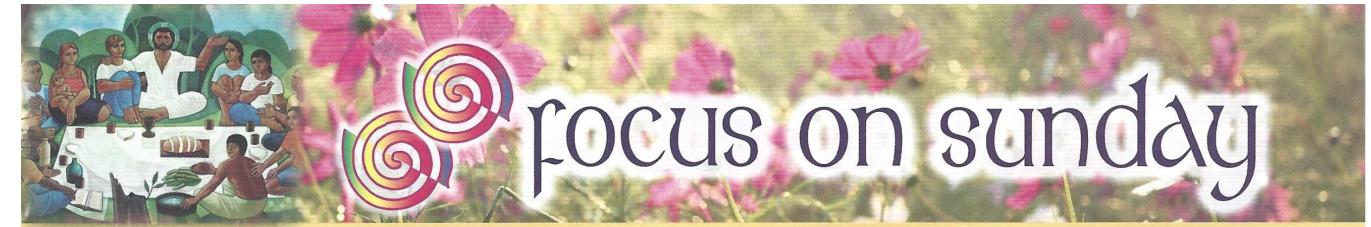
**LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST**

Pray brothers and sisters, ..... May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

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**PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS**

O God, who give us the gift of true prayer and of peace, graciously grant that through this offering, we may do fitting homage to your divine majesty, and, by partaking of the sacred mystery, we may be faithfully united in mind and heart.

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**The gospel message is one of joy, rooted in the love and care of Christ for everyone. Today Jesus spells out our Christian family duty - to have a responsibility towards each other: we cannot stand by idly and watch others harm themselves.**



**EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER**

The Lord be with you. And with your spirit.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them up to the Lord.

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Today's Gospel was written with the Christian community in mind. Matthew understood that where people live together, there will always be failures in love and misunderstandings.

Sometimes people will hurt others, either consciously or unknowingly. So there is a need in every community for a process by which these hurts can be resolved. Here Matthew describes the process of reconciliation in the community with which he was familiar. It seeks to restore relationships which have been broken. It has all the elements of "restorative justice," bringing people together to resolve their difficulties rather than rejecting them and allowing those difficulties fester. It reminds me of a young, formerly homeless, man who is now a single father with two children. He has a great relationship with them. He sits them down and discusses everything with them, explaining why he sometimes has to say no. One day his five year old son saw two neighbours on the street, arguing and shouting at each other and shoving each other. He went over and stood between them and said, "You can't do this, you must sit down and discuss it." Jesus came to restore the broken relationships that exist between us and God. He doesn't reject us, or punish us for our sinfulness; no, he restores our relationship with him by calling us back to him again and again. This is the model for our relationships with each other, and should be the model for our criminal justice system.

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# ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH, BALLYHAUNIS

## PARISH NEWSLETTER 10th SEPTEMBER 2023

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

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### MASSES:

Monday, Tuesday,  
Wednesday, Friday 10.00am.  
Saturday Evening Vigil:  
7.30pm  
Sunday: 10.00am.

### CONFESSIONS:

Before Saturday Vigil Mass

### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Between 9am & 7pm daily.

### BAPTISMS

First Saturday & third Sunday of the month at 11.00am. Minimum of four weeks' notice required. Contact the parish office, 094-9630006.



### ANNIVERSARY MASSES 11th—16th SEPTEMBER 2023

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday 10.00am. Saturday 7.30pm.

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John, Mary, Paraic & Siobhán Cleary, Johnstown  
Tom Eagney & decd. of the Eagney family  
Tom & Nora Moran and decd. of the Lyons & Moran families, Carrownedan  
Marian, Delia & Tom Glynn, Upper Main St.  
Josephine Lyons & decd. Devlis  
Maureen & Michael Cunnane, Scrigg  
Alfred Webb Jnr. Tooraree  
Kieran Webb, Brickens & Tooraree  
Michael Freeley & decd. of the Freeley family, Gurteen  
Tony & Lily Morley, Abbey St.

### SUNDAY 17th SEPTEMBER— MONTH'S MIND

Chris Mannion, Drimbane

11th—17th Sept.	READERS	MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST
Monday	Martin Fitzmaurice	Anne Carney, Irene Healy
Tuesday	Tommy Caulfield	Lorraine Waldron, Breege Halpin
Wednesday	Mary Donnelly	Margaret Byrne, Margaret Tarpey
Friday	Willie Broderick	Kay Curley, Eileen Jordan
Sat 7.30pm	Marie Jordan	Seamus Mulrennan, Justina Lyons, Joe Byrne, Fionnuala Nolan
Sunday 10am	Maura Murphy	Mary Murphy, Geraldine Murphy, Cáit Webb, Dymphna Greally

All weekday and weekend Masses, and the daily Rosary at 9pm Mondays to Fridays, continue to be broadcast on parish radio 105.2 FM and streamed on the parish webcam: <https://www.mcnmedia.tv/camera/st-patricks-church-ballyhaunis> or on the website: [www.ballyhaunisparish.ie](http://www.ballyhaunisparish.ie)

**WEEKLY ENVELOPES:** Sincere thanks to all who are returning their weekly contributions, either by envelope or direct debit. If you wish to set up a direct debit, the account details are: Ballyhaunis Parish Church BIC: AIBKIE2D IBAN: IE30 AIBK 9374 4421 3420 08

**THE IRISH CATHOLIC NEWSPAPER** is available in the Church porch. €3 per copy, please place the money in the candelabra coinbox.

**HOLY COMMUNION: Saturday 18th May 2024** has been confirmed at the date for First Holy Communion in St. Patrick's Church, Ballyhaunis. A meeting for parents of the candidates will take place on Monday 18th Sept. in the Community Hall AT 8.30PM.

### Offertory Collection

3rd Sept. 2023  
€2,040

**PPC MEETING:** The monthly meeting of the Parish Pastoral Council will take place this Monday evening at 8.30pm in the Community Hall.

**SEASON OF CREATION 2023:** The Season of Creation, which runs until 4th October (the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi) celebrates the joy of creation as well as encouraging initiatives to protect the natural environment. This year's theme is: "Let Justice and Peace Flow". In a recent general audience at the Vatican, Pope Francis said "Let us join our Christian brothers and sisters in the commitment to care for creation as a sacred gift from the Creator. It is necessary to stand with the victims of environmental and climate injustice, striving to put an end to the senseless war on our common home, which is a terrible world war. I urge all of you to work and pray for it to abound with life once again".

### A PRAYER FOR OUR EARTH:

All-powerful God, you are present in the whole universe  
And in the smallest of your creatures  
Pour out upon us the power of your love,  
That we may protect life and beauty.  
Bring healing to our lives,  
That we may protect the world and not prey on it.  
That we may sow beauty, not pollution and destruction. Amen.

**RELIC OF BLESSED CARLO ACUTIS:** The relic of Blessed Carlo Acutis will visit Knock Shrine next Friday 15th September, accompanied by Archbishop Dominico Sorrentino of Assisi and Monsignor Anthony Figueiredo, a Vatican representative. Mass will be celebrated in the Basilica at 12 noon and 3pm by Archbishop Sorrentino. Rosary at 2pm and 4.45, with Holy Hour at 5pm. An exhibition of his life will be on display at St. John's Rest & Care Centre, and the launch will take place of a new book: "Blessed Carlo Lights the Fire for Ireland".

**100th BIRTHDAY:** Next Saturday 16th Sept, a celebration will take place for one of the most senior residents in Ballyhaunis as Joe Keane of Knox St. reaches his 100th birthday. Mass will take place in St. Patrick's Church at 2pm followed by tea and refreshments in the Community Hall. All are welcome to join the celebrations of the former Sacristan, master tailor, FCA member, Annagh magazine president and historian.

**HOSPICE COFFEE MORNING:** A coffee morning in aid of Mayo/ Roscommon Hospice will take place in the home of Gerry & Anne Lyons, Knockbrack on Thursday 21st September from 10am to 2pm. All welcome.

**STATIONS:** Anyone wishing to host a Station Mass in their home during October or November can contact the Parish Office at 094 9630006 to make the necessary arrangements.

**BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP** meets at 11am every Wednesday in the Family Centre, Knock. All welcome. Further information from Monica Morley, Knock Shrine at 094-9375320.

### HIGHER DIPLOMA IN THEOLOGICAL STUDIES:

St. Patrick's Pontifical University, Maynooth are running a one-year evening /weekend Level 8 programme which gives a foundation in Theological Studies to students who hold a primary degree in another discipline. This Higher Diploma meets the Teaching Council of Ireland's requirements for teaching Religious Studies at post-primary level. For details, visit [sppu.ie/courses](http://sppu.ie/courses) or call 01 7083391.



We pray for him as he continues his journey to become a priest for the Archdiocese of Tuam.

**ANNAGH MAGAZINE 2023:** Annagh Magazine is now accepting articles, club reports and photographs for the 2023 edition. These may be emailed to [info@annaghmag.ie](mailto:info@annaghmag.ie) or submitted to committee members: Seamus Mulrennan, Edward Mulhern, Nell Rochford, Tommy Caulfield, Noreen Ruane Dalton, Paul Waldron, Mike Griffin, Gabriel Smith, John Kilduff. The deadline for submitting material is Friday 13th October.

**CHILDLINE** is looking for volunteers in Mayo. If you are interested in applying or would like more information, email [volunteerrecruitment@ispcc.ie](mailto:volunteerrecruitment@ispcc.ie)

**PARENT & TODDLER GROUP:** The Ballyhaunis Parent & Toddler Group has reopened in the Community Hall on Wednesday mornings from 10am to 12 noon for parents/ carers and their 0-3 year olds. New and returning members welcome.

**IRISH FOR BEGINNERS:** A popular weekly Irish class for beginners returns to the Ballyhaunis Community Hall on Tuesday next 12th September. Organised by Ballyhaunis Language Café, the class is a friendly, interactive weekly gathering starting at 7pm at the nominal cost of €5 per person.

**ANGER MANAGEMENT:** Knock Counselling Service is running a 5-evening Online Anger Management programme, starting on Tuesday 26th Sept. from 7pm to 9pm. For details, contact Peter on 094 93 75032 or log onto [www.knockshrine.ie/counselling](http://www.knockshrine.ie/counselling)

**FASHION EVENING:** Live with confidence in your style with fashion advice from stylist and influencer Yulia Bolohova—an informative & fun evening with fashion styling tips will take place at the Family Resource Centre, Ballyhaunis on Saturday next 16th Sept at 4.30pm. Free admission, donations welcome.

**THE THREE TENORS** will return to the Friary, Ballyhaunis for a concert on Saturday 2nd December. Tickets are available locally in The Gem, Bridge St.

**WORLD ARTS & CRAFTS:** The next workshop in the series takes place on Saturday 16th Sept. from 10am to 12 noon in the Community Hall on the theme of body art. Thanks to funding from Creative Ireland Mayo, the workshops are free but booking is essential. Email [ballyhauniscommunitycouncil@gmail.com](mailto:ballyhauniscommunitycouncil@gmail.com) or visit the Community Council Facebook page.

**BALLYHAUNIS TABLE TENNIS CLUB** meets on Mondays and Wednesdays from 6pm to 8pm at the Community Hall for all ages and abilities. For details call 087 9777899.

**SALSA DANCING CLASSES** - for beginners and improvers on Sundays at 8.00pm. in the Community Hall. Cost €5, proceeds to the Community Hall renovation fund.