

Weekday Mass Times: Glenisland Church at **7pm** & Islandeady Church at **8pm**.
Weekend Mass Times: Glenisland Church **SAT 7 pm** & Islandeady Church **SUN 11am**.

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Remembering in our Masses this week: (Sun 2nd Aug – Sun 9th Aug)

Sat 1 st	- Cemetery Mass in Glenisland Cemetery.
Sun 2 nd	- Cemetery Mass in Islandeady Cemetery. - Tom Feeney (Months Mind). - Jessica Needham, Lismolin (4 th Anniv) & DFM. - Alan Joyce, Ranaghy (14 th Anniv).
Mon 3 rd	- No Mass Intentions.
Tues 4 th	- No Mass Intentions.
Wed 5 th	- No Mass Intentions.
Thurs 6 th	- No Mass Intentions.
Fri 7 st	- No Mass Intentions.
Sat 8 st	- 12noon Islandeady: Mary Friel, Cloggernagh (Months Mind). - 7pm Glenisland: For All the People of the Parish/Pro Populo.
Sun 9 th	- Mike & Bridie Lavelle & DFM.

People of God ministering / helping in CHURCH next Week: Sat / Sun /

Ministry:	Glenisland:	Islandeady:
Mass Servers:	Team 1.	Team 1.
Music:	Anne & Choir.	Nora & Choir.
Readers:		- 19 th Sun in Ord. Time
Ministers of Eucharist:		
Offertory Collectors:		

Monday: Feast of St. Peter of Anagni
Tuesday: Feast of St. John Vianney, Patron of Priests.
Wednesday: Feast of St. Mary Major
Thursday: Feast of the Transfiguration
Friday: Feast of St. Sixtus II, Pope and St. Cajetan, Priest.
Saturday: Feast of St. Dominic, founder of the Dominican Order.
Sunday: Feast of Sts. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, St. Nathy, Bishop, St. Felim.

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Masses are available on TV RTE News now daily at 10:30am (Saorview 21) & RTE 1 on Sundays at 11am. ETWN 6pm, Sky Channel 588 & Radio Maria daily at 10am, Saorview Radio channel 210. Mass on Midwest Radio every Sun, Wed & Fri mornings at 10am.

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The Islandeady **Community Development Company CLG** will hold its Annual General Meeting (AGM) on this **Tuesday Night 4th Aug at 8:30pm** in the Community Centre. This is the Board of Directors AGM and all Directors are requested to attend.

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Anyone who has their **Trocaire Lenten Box** at home can bring it to the **weekend masses** & drop it into the Collection Box.

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Islandeady **Community Council** meeting takes place **next Monday Night**, August 10th at **8pm** in the Community Centre.

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Deadline for items for inclusion in the Parish Newsletter is **12 noon** each Fri.

- **Phone** or send a **text message** or leave a **voicemail** to Liam on (087) 1361 895
- You can **email** Liam at islandeadyadm@gmail.com

Islandeady-Glenisland Parish Newsletter

St Patrick's Church, Islandeady and the **Holy Rosary Church**, Glenisland
Websites: islandeady.ie / glenislandnewsflash.ie / mayo.ie / tuamarchdiocese.org

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Sunday 2nd August 2020 – **18th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Cemetery Weekend in Islandeady and Glenisland Cemeteries 1st / 2nd Aug 2020



The Memorial Cross in Islandeady Cemetery

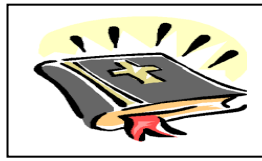
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*He took the five loaves and two fish,
 raised his eyes to heaven and said the blessing.
 And breaking the loaves he handed them to his disciples
 who gave them to the crowds.*

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Priest: Fr Chris Brennan **Mob** (087) 1962 674 **Email:** parishig2017@gmail.com
Newsletter: Liam Keaveney **Mob** (087) 1361 895 **Email:** islandeadyadm@gmail.com

Like the manna in the desert, bread in plenty for the crowds is seen as a sign of the coming of the kingdom and of the heavenly banquet in the end times. **In today's Gospel** the actions of Jesus in the desert are described in the same way as his actions at the Last Supper: he takes, blesses, breaks and gives.



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Fr. Chris & the Parish Pastoral Council would like to **welcome home** all who are staying in the area on holidays. We hope you enjoy your holiday & stay safe in these challenging times.

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GLENISLAND: Mass 7pm: The Church will open at **6.30pm** on Saturday. Parishioners are asked to follow the guidance of the ushers in the Church and go to the seat as indicated. All are asked to fill the Church from the front to the back. Holy Communion will be distributed in the Church porch as people are leaving the Church. The Church will be **CLOSED** on Saturday Evening after Mass and remain closed all day Sunday.

In the event of a funeral the Church will be closed after the funeral Mass and remain closed for the rest of that Day.

ISLANDEADY: MASS 11am: The Church will open at **10.30am** on Sunday. Same guidelines as above apply to Islandeady Church. The Church will be **CLOSED** on Sunday after Mass and remain closed all day Sunday and Monday.

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Holy Communion will be distributed by the Priest at the **end of Mass** behind a screen.

Fr. Chris will have Gluten Free hosts available behind the screen also. Just let him know.

Apologies to all for the changes in church closure times, however this is a necessary precaution in the interest of Public Health of our parishioners & all who use our churches.

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The toilets will not be available for use before, during or after Mass.

Votive candles will be available to light immediately after Mass. No other public function will be organised in either church over the coming months.

Newsletters are available immediately after Mass & in the usual place during the week.

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Anyone wishing to have an **Anniversary Mass** for their deceased relatives and friends should do so in writing and place it in the church collection basket. Please provide your name and phone number. You may also book Masses by Phone, Text or E-mail.

As both Sacristies are small and it is not possible to practise recommended social distancing in them, all are asked to refrain from entering the Sacristy before or after Mass.

People should feel free to use gloves and or masks if they wish to wear them.

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First Holy Communion which was due to take place in May had to be cancelled. Alternative arrangements will be made with the schools for new dates for First Communion once the students return to school. Please keep these children in your prayers as they prepare for this Sacrament in the coming months.



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Pastoral visits to the sick and housebound are an important part of Parish life. Anyone who was receiving a pastoral visit by Fr. Chris before the outbreak of the virus & would like to receive the Sacraments again needs to contact the Priest & make the necessary arrangements. It is very important that we all take care of each other & that every effort is made to protect public health.

Are you Thoughtful? Some elderly & housebound parishioners in **Islandeady & Glenisland** have remarked how very much they appreciate it when a neighbour or family member are thoughtful enough to bring them a copy of the weekly **Sunday Bulletin** ... & how much it helps to keep them in touch with life in the parish especially now with the Covid 19 restrictions still ongoing for some in isolation etc. **So... are YOU Thoughtful?**

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The **Glenisland Development Company** is starting off their first on-line fundraising event ever with their annual **Cow Pats Lottery** Competition on **Sunday 30th Aug**. This year with a twist we are **LIVE STREAMING** all the intense action. Tickets are **€5** each & there is only 500 entries. Prize of **€300** available. Tickets available online at our website <http://www.glenislanddevelopmentcompany.com>

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It is proposed to **close the Church Road** (Cloonan) in Islandeady from the top of the road down to the Church for approx 9 months starting from the 11th Aug. A representation of people from the Community Council, Islandeady Church, Islandeady GAA, Cloggernagh N.S, Local Business people & residents met with representatives from Wills Bros. Ltd & Mayo Co. Co. This road closure has been postponed temporarily until Wills Bros. Ltd come back to the group with an alternative to mitigate the impact of the road closure.

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The **Glenisland Community** is now on Facebook with all local news, events and updates. You can find the page on facebook as 'Glenislandcommunity'. Please **Like & Share** for regular updates.

Likewise, the **Islandeady Community** is on facebook under the name 'Whats on in Islandeady'. Like & Share for regular updates also.



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A new pilgrimage on Lough Derg's lakeshore - Walk and Pray in the Lough Derg tradition on 16, 18, 22, 26 & 30 August. At times in the 1600's and 1700's when Station Island was closed by the Penal Laws, pilgrims undertook a form of pilgrimage on the lough shore. Walk in their footsteps. Contact 0 (0353) 71 9861518 or info@loughderg.org Numbers limited.

Remember Me

*Speak of me as you have always done,
Remember all the good times, the laughter & fun.
Share the happy memories we've made,
Do not let them wither or fade.
I'll be with you in the summer's sun,
and when the winter's chill has come.
I'll be the voice that whispers in the breeze,
I'm peaceful now, put your mind at ease.
I've rested my eyes and gone to sleep,
but memories we've shared are yours to keep.
Sometimes our final days may be a test,
but remember me when I was at my best.
Although things may not be the same,
don't be afraid to use my name.
Let your sorrow last for just a while,
Comfort each other and try to smile.
I've lived a life filled with Joy and Fun,
Live on now & make me proud of what you'll become.*



If you are living with a long term health condition you may be interested in doing the **‘Living Well’ Programme**. This is a six week programme delivered in 2.5 hour weekly sessions where you will learn new skills to manage your health condition on a day to day basis. This Programme will commence in September. **You must register in advance as places are limited to 10/12 participants.** Please note you do not have to disclose your health condition on the programme. Please contact Liam Gildea on **087 349 0393** or by email at liam.gildea@mayocil.ie

Is there anyone out there who could help me find a long lost relative? I am looking for a Thomas Ruane, born 1917 in Townyeena to Michael and Mary Ruane. Michael and Mary Ruane are buried in Glenisland churchyard I believe. I know that Thomas will be dead now as will his siblings but if there are any living relatives or friends of the family that can help me and tell me anything at all about Thomas' life I would be eternally grateful. I know that there may be several Thomas Ruanes born around 1917. The one I am looking for left Ireland at some point as he was working in England in Staffordshire in the late 1940's. Please please help! Thank you. Patricia Lis email mikeandtrish@sky.com

All **Islandeady/Glenisland news items** are available in the weekly newspapers the ‘Mayo News’ & ‘Connaught Telegraph’, the Church Newsletter, everything will be on the Facebook page *Whats on in Islandeady* & on the Community website www.islandeady.ie

Local Link Mayo currently provide a grocery & essential supplies collect & deliver to the elderly, vulnerable & cocooning as well as providing essential travel for shopping and work. Local Link have repurposed during Covid-19 & as we move from one phase to the next of the Government roadmap for reopening society & business we aim to provide as much support to individuals and community organisations through current services. To avail of the service contact (094) 90 05150, email mayo@locallink.ie or text 086 029 3278. Local Link is funded by the HSE & the NTA.

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COVID-19 Support Line for Older People - ALONE has launched a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to the outbreak of COVID-19 (Corona virus). Professional staff is available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is **open Monday to Friday, 8am-8pm**, by calling 0818 222 024. Hours may be extended to meet the demand.

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The Parish Collection Envelopes are now available. Parishioners are asked to collect their envelopes in the usual way. In an administrative change many numbers have changed so please look for your name and not the number. By making these changes it is hoped that the numbers will remain the same over the coming years. If anyone is new to the Parish and would like to receive a box of envelopes or if anyone has been missed out please make contact with the Priest on 087 1962 674 or email parishig2017@gmail.com

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Due to an increased interest in enrolment with **Bilberries Playgroup** it currently appears that we are full for 2020/2021 and 2021/2022 and have a waiting list for spaces. We are also taking names for 2022/2023. We are therefore considering offering an afternoon session (approx. 1.30pm - 4.30pm) should there be sufficient numbers and would request that parents contact us ASAP to express interest. Tel. **087 6026947** or Email bilberriesplaygroup@gmail.com

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The Islandeady/Glenisland Pastoral Council for 2018-2022.

They are: Michelle Lavelle (**Chairperson**), Sephine Morris (**Vice Chair**), Breege Carney (**Secretary**), Lesley McNicholas (**Vice Sec**), Siobhan Barrett, Phil Browne, Noreen Coyne, Michael Dooley, Liam Keaveney, Michael McCormack, Cathriona McNally, Seamus O'Donnell, James O'Malley, Caroline Price, Anne Roache, Noreen Sadler, Teresa Walsh & Fr. Chris Brennan.

The **Islandeady Men's Shed** is officially up and running and has a wonderful group of Men from Islandeady/Glenisland involved. Officers of the committee include: Owen O'Malley (Chairperson), TF Gibbons (Vice Chair), Liam Keaveney (Secretary), Ciaran Moran (Asst Sec), Thomas O'Brien (Treasurer), Seamus Cleary (Asst Treasurer), Michael Chambers (PRO), Johnny Burke (Asst PRO). The aim of the Men's Shed is to provide a social outlet for Men aged 18-100 years where they can participate in a wide range of activities & give back to the community. Men from Islandeady – Glenisland are welcome to join.

Church Envelopes are now available for the coming 12 months. They will be available in the Church Porches from this weekend. Please take your box of envelopes & if you see a neighbour's one please kindly take it & deliver it to them. If you would like to take a box of envelopes to contribute to the weekly upkeep of our two churches, please let Fr. Chris or James O'Malley know & they will organise.

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Thank you for keeping **catering in St Aidans & the Presbytery simple!** Again please remember these rooms are in a Church setting & for the sake also of minding expensive carpet & chairs ... please NO egg sandwiches, salad sandwiches, cream or jam buns etc. Confine food to biscuits, buns, brack, simple sandwiches or cake that doesn't fall apart! Just use common sense. Remember most people have a mug in one hand and food in the other.

The Pastoral Council wish to remind all local groups & charitable organisations that for 2020 all **Church Gate Collections** held in Glenisland & Islandeady Churches must be held **OUTSIDE** the Church Gates as per conditions of the permit & **NOT** inside at the Church Doors. There will be no exception to this.

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For **catering** in the Presbytery & St Aidans – on occasions of Weddings, Funerals, Anniv & Months Mind – nice customs emerged whereby **neighbours** offer to help out OR **a family** can make their own arrangement for catering ... OR members of the **Pastoral Council** kindly step in to organise ... OR ... just thoughtful **kind parishioners** from any **village** offer to help out. **Thank you** for keeping this nice custom alive in our Parish, it is nicely remarked on by people *‘within’* & visitors *‘outside’* our Parish.

New Singers & Musicians of **ALL ages** are always **WELCOME** to join either Glenisland or Islandeady church choir each weekend to uplift our Spirits – please let Nora or Ann know that you would like to join to use & share your **TALENTS...!!** & **THANKS** Nora & Ann for organising the choir every weekend

5 Special Requests from the Priest....

- 1) **Readers:** 5 mins before Mass please pop into Sacristy & let priest know YOU are reading today.
- 2) Ministers of **Eucharist:** Please sit in **front** seat with your family or the other Minister so that priest sees/knows there's help for Communion.
- 3) **For Offertory Collection** please take baskets from outside of seat & move baskets towards the back & hand it to Collector (or mass server).
- 4) In the event there aren't enough mass servers, please take a newsletter which will be already placed in the holders at each of the 3 doors in Islandeady Church.
- 5) Prayer Cards are available in church seats; please use them to assist you saying the prayers during mass.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament – (Adoration Times in our Parish)

Glenisland: Monday & Wednesday Nights **7-8pm.**

Islandeady: Sunday & Monday **7-8pm** / Tuesday **7-8pm**, Thursday Night **8-9pm.**

A Parish Prayer

Lord, bless our parish community at this difficult time.

Give me patience with myself and others so that I will not make these times any more difficult than they already are.

Grant me the ability to acknowledge my fears so that I will not hide from acting in a responsible manner.

Give me courage to overcome any selfishness that hinders any concern for others.

Grant me the grace to reach out to others by safe means and in a helpful way.

Give me courage when I am feeling lonely and the knowledge that isolation is a good thing for now and that I am never fully alone.

Grant me the gifts of kindness, patience and love.

Give me your blessing: in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, Amen.



Footprints in the Sand

One night I dreamed I was walking along the beach with the Lord.

Many scenes from my life flashed across the sky.

In each scene I noticed footprints in the sand.

Sometimes there were two sets of footprints,

Other times there was one only.

This bothered me because I noticed that during the low periods of my life,

When I was suffering from anguish, sorrow or defeat,

I could see only one set of footprints,

So I said to the Lord:

“You promised me Lord, that if I followed you,

You would walk with me always.

But I have noticed that during the most trying periods of my life

There has only been one set of footprints in the sand.

Why, when I needed you most, have you not been there for me?”

The Lord replied:

The times when you have seen only one set of footprints,

My child, is when I carried **YOU**”.

Islandeady 2020 Yearbook/Covid-19

The Community Council want to document the events of the year related to the Corona virus lockdown. It's a major event in world history so it's important to record it from a Parish/Community perspective. Were you off school, college or work? Were you working in a different way? Maybe you were confined to the house? Had you a major event planned and couldn't go ahead with it? Are you a frontline worker? Were your sporting or social outings curtailed? Did you volunteer to help others? Did you do something new or learn a new skill? Why not write out the effect it had on your life and the lifestyle changes you had to make.

Stories, poems & pictures welcome from all age groups. Email items to

islandeadynewsletter@gmail.com