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26<sup>th</sup> Feb 2023

Mass at 11.30am will be Broadcast on our Facebook Page. *Special Thanks to Cathy / Nora for operating the live broadcast on Facebook and to Shelly for the beautiful selection of music and hymns.*

**Booking a Mass:** *If you wish to book a Mass, please ring Fr. Chris on his mobile 086-893-3278*

**Covid 19:** *Please be Covid aware and take appropriate precautions*

**During Lent, many abstain from meat on a Friday.** Fasting from food is the goal of a Lenten fast – but we can also look at others too: social media, retail, TV, to mention only a few. We are all invited to humble ourselves through fasting and self-denial.

**Prayer in Lent:** The greatest prayer is the Mass. Mass will be celebrated here on Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday. (*See times below*). The weekend mass is very important, please make an effort during Lent.

## **First Sunday of Lent**

**Sat 8pm** ***Bangor Church***

**Sun 11.30am** ***Ballycroy Church***

**1. Josie Molloy – Month’s Mind Mass**

**Preparation Mass for the Confirmation Children.**

*Joshua Walsh, Eliana Conway, Eleanor Canning, Niall Masterson,  
Ruaidhrí Shanahan, James Cafferkey, Saoirse Leneghan, Molly Keane  
Kilbane, David McManamon*

<b><i>Weekly Mass Schedule</i></b>	<b><i>Intentions</i></b>
<b>Tue 28<sup>st</sup> Feb: 10am</b>	<b>Mass – People of the Parish</b>
<b>Wed 1<sup>st</sup> Mar: 7pm</b>	<b>Mass – All Welcome</b>
<b>Thur 2<sup>nd</sup> Mar: 7pm</b>	<b>Bangor Church</b>
<b>Fri 3<sup>rd</sup> Mar: 10am</b>	<b>Mass – All Welcome</b>
<b>Sat 4<sup>th</sup> Mar: 3pm</b>	<b>Baptism Baby Grace Ella – Parents Seán and Alma Ginty</b>

## **Second Sunday of Lent**

**Sat 1pm** **Island Mass**

**Sat 8pm** **Ballycroy Church**

**1 Florie Campbell (Birthday Rem’) John and Bridie**

**2 Jackie O’Boyle (6<sup>th</sup> Ann) Doona**

**Sun 11.30am** **Bangor Church**

**Our Beloved Dead** Please pray for the Faithful Departed; Ann McGuire (Dooreil – New York), Sister of Bridget Heston and Tom McGuire. May her Soul Rest in Peace.

**Priest’s Shrove Collection:** Sincere Thanks for the Priest’s Shrove Collection last week. Please hand in your Green Envelope this week

**Card Game – Scoil Naomh Bhríde: Fri 3<sup>rd</sup> March in Community Hall – 8.30pm**  
**Great Prizes on the night. All Welcome. Tickets available on the Door.**

**Altar Society Volunteers invitation:** We are looking for more volunteers. Please Call Fr. Chris.

**Social Services need Volunteers:** Call Noreen 086 6067899/ Peggy 086 1019169

**Annual Senior Tour (Ballycroy)** – anyone interested in our Three-Night-Summer-Tour (four days, dinner B&B), please provide names to Peggy (0861019169) in the next week, by Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> March. This is to gauge numbers. If there is enough interest, we will proceed with a reservation and will provide an update with all details in the coming weeks.

<b>Readers Schedule</b>	<b>Readers</b>	<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>
Sun 26th Feb 2023 11.30am	<i>Family</i>	<i>B. Hough</i>
Sat 4th Mar 2023 8pm	<i>Family</i>	<i>N. Grealis</i>
Sun 12th Mar 2023 8pm	<i>Family</i>	<i>M. Sweeney</i>
Sat 18th Mar 2023 8pm	<i>Family</i>	<i>C. Togher</i>
Sun 26th Mar 2023 8pm	<i>Family</i>	<i>P. Ginty</i>

**Altar Society Schedule:**

Thanks to **Bernie S:** M Cafferkey, B McGowan, S Carolan G2

Week to 5 <sup>th</sup> March	<b>Kathleen R:</b> A McManamon, J. Keane, G Grealis G3
Week to 12 <sup>th</sup> March	<b>Christina T:</b> M Keane, M. Conway, K 'or' N Campbell G4
Week to 19 <sup>th</sup> March	<b>Patricia G:</b> M Sweeney (Tar), M McGowan (C'ann), J Campbell G1
Week to 26 <sup>th</sup> March	<b>Bernie S:</b> M Cafferkey, B McGowan, S Carolan G2
Week to 2 <sup>nd</sup> April	<b>Kathleen R:</b> A McManamon, J. Keane, G Grealis G3

**South West Mayo Development Company** - community consultation on the next LEADER programme 23/27. Meetings - opportunity for SWMDC to listen to and learn from community volunteers. R for a meeting, please email [info@southmayo.com](mailto:info@southmayo.com) or call 098 419 50

**The Irish Wheelchair Association** are currently recruiting Community Employment participants for Belmullet, Monday – Friday positions. No experience necessary, all accredited training provided. Contact Aoife on 085 7483678 or [aofie.ralph@iwa.ie](mailto:aofie.ralph@iwa.ie).

**Bereavement Course:** There will be a 4-week course on 'Understanding grief, a journey towards healing' held in St John's Welcome Centre, Knock Shrine on Wednesday nights – March 8th, 15th, 22nd and 29th at 8pm. To make a booking please contact 094-9375320.

**Mayo County Council Vacant Homes Office Public Information Meeting:** If you have a vacant / derelict property that can be brought back into use. Meet a member of staff to find out more about the grants & schemes available. Visit anytime between 12 pm and 2 pm at the Áras Inis Gluaire, Belmullet, on Tue 7th Mar. contact [vacanthomes@mayococo.ie](mailto:vacanthomes@mayococo.ie) or 0949064741.

**An invitation to join us for a day retreat in Lent,** immersing ourselves in the compassion, kindness and mercy of God. At **Holy Hill Hermitage, Skreen.** Saturday 11th March 2023, (10.30 – 4pm). For booking, contact Tony at [friendsofcarmelhollyhill@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofcarmelhollyhill@gmail.com)

**Ante – natal; Infant Care Classes** - 4 session course for expectant mothers/partners from 8th March - 4 weeks - Broadhaven Bay Hotel. Run by Public Health Nurses - Nuala on 097/27418

**Local Link Bus:** Mon - Sat Ballycroy to Castlebar 07:42, 11:52, 15:47: to Belmullet 09:50, 14:00, 18:42

**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)**