

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

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**Remembering in our Masses this week:** (Sun 17<sup>th</sup> Mar – Sun 24<sup>th</sup> Mar)

Sat 16 <sup>th</sup>	<b>St. Patrick's Eve Mass</b> – also remembering: - Jack Fahey (8 <sup>th</sup> Anniv), Beltra.
Sun 17 <sup>th</sup>	<b>St. Patrick's Day Mass</b> – also remembering: - Vinnie Gibbons, Derrycourane (Months Mind). - Kathleen, Mike & Mary Philbin, Tom & Kevin Basquel. - Pdraig, Maureen, Neil & Jason O'Shea.
Mon 18 <sup>th</sup>	- No Mass Intentions.
Tues 19 <sup>th</sup>	- No Mass Intentions.
Wed 20 <sup>th</sup>	- No Mass Intentions.
Thur 21 <sup>st</sup>	- No Mass Intentions.
Fri 22 <sup>nd</sup>	- No Mass Intentions.
Sat 23 <sup>rd</sup>	- Martin & Kathleen McGowan & DFM.
Sun 24 <sup>th</sup>	- Ann O'Flaherty, Carrowbeg (Months Mind). - Breege Moran, Drimneen (1 <sup>st</sup> Anniv). - Josie Jennings, Knock & Corha (1 <sup>st</sup> Anniv) & DFM. - Annie & Tom Walsh, Carrowbeg & DM of Walsh & McDermott Family. - John & Nora Fitzgerald, Cloggernagh, son Tom & Grandson Thomas.

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**People of God ministering / helping in CHURCH next Week: Sat/Sun 23<sup>rd</sup> /24<sup>th</sup> Mar**

<b>Ministry:</b>	<b>Glenisland:</b>	<b>Islandeady:</b>
<b>Music:</b>	Anne & Choir.	Noreen & Choir.
<b>Readers:</b>	Bernie Flannery.	Caroline Price (P.506).
<b>Ministers of Eucharist:</b>	Breege Carney.	V. Feeney, B. Graven, M. Heneghan.

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- Monday: Feast of St. Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop.
- Tuesday: Feast of St. Joseph, husband of Blessed Virgin Mary.
- Wednesday: Feast of St. Nicholas Owen
- Thursday: Feast of St. Enda, Abbot.
- Friday: Feast of St. Macartan, Bishop.
- Saturday: Feast of St. Lea.
- Sunday: Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion.

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To book a **Mass** in Islandeady or Glenisland, please **text** Fr Chris at (087) 1962 674 **OR** you can **email** him at the following email address [parishig2017@gmail.com](mailto:parishig2017@gmail.com)

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**Volunteers** needed to join the **Parish Choir** in Islandeady. **New singers** are always welcome & if you can **play a musical instrument** we'd love to hear from you too. You can join in with us any Sunday.

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**Adoration Times:** **Sunday** 7-8pm / **Monday** 7-8pm / **Thursday** 8-9pm. **All Welcome.**

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The **Deadline** for items for inclusion in the Parish Newsletter is **12 noon** each Friday.  
 ➤ **Phone** or send a **text message** or leave a **voicemail** to Liam on (087) 1361 895.  
 ➤ You can **email** Liam at [islandeadvadm@gmail.com](mailto:islandeadvadm@gmail.com)

## *Islandeady-Glenisland Parish Newsletter*

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

Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> March 2024 – 5<sup>th</sup> Sun of Lent / St. Patrick's Day



*“Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house  
to the land that I will show you;  
and I will make you the father of a great people.”*

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*In the readings this weekend lent reminds us that God loved us so much that he was generous with his mercy. If we have faith in that mercy we will not be lost. But we have to bring that message to all. We must preach to the world the saving work of Jesus Christ.*



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**Pastoral visits** to the **sick** and **housebound** are an important part of parish life. Anyone who would like to receive a pastoral visit by Fr. Chris to receive the **Sacraments** again needs to contact the Priest by **phone** or **email** & make the necessary arrangements.

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**Medjugorje Easter Pilgrimage 2024** from 30<sup>th</sup> March – 6<sup>th</sup> April. Cost of trip is **€830**. Deposit of €200 required to book your place. Fr. Brendan Kilcoyne is Spiritual Director. Please contact Carmel on (087) 1339 668 for more info.

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- **Card Games** every Mon Night in the Community Centre at 8:30pm.
- **Move it or Lose it** exercise classes every Tues at 10am in Comm. Centre.
- **Rambling House** every Tues Night at 7:30pm in the Community Centre.
- **Ladies Club** every Tues Night at 8pm in the Community Centre.
- **Wed Get-together** every Wed in Comm. Centre from 11:30am – All welcome.
- **Pilates** with Lisa every Thurs at 7:45pm in the Comm. Centre – All welcome.
- **Foróige** every Wed & Fri Night from 8pm – 9:30pm in the Community Centre.

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**Phase 1** of the new **Islandeedy Community Centre Development** took place recently with the **clearing of the site**. If you would like to support us, the **€5 per week Direct Debit** option is still available. You can contact Robert on (087) 614 5439 or email

[secretary.islandeedycc@gmail.com](mailto:secretary.islandeedycc@gmail.com) or contact Caroline McLoughlin on (087) 932 4646.

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Please **remember** in **prayer** all from the **Parish** who are in hospital at this time of year, those waiting for test results, those waiting for operations & procedures. Remember those in Nursing Homes or living alone in their own homes and all those who selflessly care for them.

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There will be a **Parish Volunteer Appreciation Evening** on **Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May** at **7pm** in **St. Aidan's** Room. **All** Readers, Min of Euch, Altar Societies, Finance Committees, Offeratory Collectors, Singers, Musicians, Hospitality Teams, Caretakers, Sacristans etc. are all invited as a **Thank-You** for the **daily/weekly contribution** you make to your local church & parish.

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There was **No Winner** of the last Islandeedy GAA Lotto draw. The next draw takes place **this Sun 17<sup>th</sup> Mar** in the **Halfway**. The Jackpot will be **€9,800**. **The Lucky Dip Prize winners:** Rory Courell & Emily Irwin.



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**Date for the Diary – Easter Sunday Dawn Mass** will take place this year on **Sun 31<sup>st</sup> Mar** in **Islandeedy Cemetery** at **6:30am** irrespective of the weather. Please be mindful of the weather that morning & dress appropriately. Please let family members & neighbours know about this mass on Easter Sunday morning

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There will be an **“Afternoon Tea”** Fundraising event in aid of the **Mayo-Roscommon Hospice** at **Jack's Cottage** on **Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> April** from **2pm**. Booking is essential, so please contact (087) 1261 989 to make your reservation!

The next Community Cleanup's will take place on **26<sup>th</sup>/27<sup>th</sup>/28<sup>th</sup> April, 14<sup>th</sup>/15<sup>th</sup>/16<sup>th</sup> June, 26<sup>th</sup>/27<sup>th</sup>/28<sup>th</sup> July & 8<sup>th</sup>/9<sup>th</sup>/10<sup>th</sup> Sept**. All areas are asked to be covered, get the family & neighbours out for an hour, let's all do our best to keep **Islandeedy Clean!**

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Ray Moylette is boxing this weekend on **St. Patrick's Night** on a packed card in the **TF Royal Hotel**. **Ticket only affair**, to book your ticket contact Sharon on (087) 7665 307. Doors open from **5:30pm**. Wishing Ray the best in his **‘retirement’**.

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**Islandeedy Foróige** is celebrating **50 years** of great memories in the Community. Islandeedy Foróige invites past leaders & early members to a **casual evening** on **Wed 20<sup>th</sup> March** at **8pm** in the **Community Centre** to recall stories of the early days. We hope to record the chats for showing at our 50<sup>th</sup> celebration in May. Please bring any pictures or articles for sharing. We look forward to having you!

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Fr. Jim Walsh A.P. in the **Kilmeena/Fahy Parish** is retiring from active ministry this summer. It is looking **unlikely** that a full time priest will be appointed. We are now **facing realities** of fewer priests and having to **amalgamate services locally** with the handful of priests left having additional responsibilities in neighbouring parishes. **Lay Led Prayer & Communion Services** will soon become a regular feature in all local parishes. Fr. Jim is wished health and happiness in his upcoming **‘second’** retirement!!

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**Easter Penance Service** will take place in the Parish on **Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March**. Confessions in Glenisland at **7pm** & Islandeedy at **8pm**. There will be a cup of Tea/Coffee in St. Aidan's after Confessions. Easter Sunday Dawn Mass at **6:30am** in Islandeedy Cemetery.

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The **Passion Play** at **Ballintubber Abbey** takes place on Mon 25<sup>th</sup>/ Tues 26<sup>th</sup> /Wed 27<sup>th</sup> March at **9pm**. Admission is free but donations are accepted. All welcome.

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The Islandeedy **Wednesday Get-Together Church Gate Collection** takes place **next weekend 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> March** in the parish. We would like to thank you for your generosity in the past. The Church Gate Collection, a card game & a coffee morning together with the contributions of participants & volunteers are our main sources of income. We would like to thank the participants for their generosity as we enter our second decade and we look forward to many more years of fun, good fun & enjoyable activities.

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**ARE YOU THE TYPE OF PERSON**....who is interested in seeing their Community represented when grants are given out?....who wonders how best to lobby county council offices, politicians or other services, to draw attention to local requirements such as signage, drainage, road maintenance, village enhancement etc....who would like to see a continuation of the superb services our Community Centre provides to all ages?....who can come along once a month to work with a lively committed group? Islandeedy Community Council elections are coming up at the end of March/early April. Consider putting your own name forward for election or nominating a neighbour who might be interested. Nomination slips will be available over the coming weeks.

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### Thought for the Week

*“We're not supposed to be friends, you & me, we're meant to be enemies, did you know that?”*  
(From the film *“The Boy in the Striped Pajamas”* 2008)

***Hatred is not learnt, it is taught!***