

**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 10<sup>th</sup> Dec – Sun 17<sup>th</sup> Dec)

Sat 09 <sup>th</sup>	- Tom Neary (8 <sup>th</sup> Anniv). - Ellen Kelly (10 <sup>th</sup> Anniv), Cornanool & DFM. - Mike & Mary Flannery & DFM. - Dom Garvey & DFM.
Sun 10 <sup>th</sup>	- Thomas Clarke (2 <sup>nd</sup> Anniv) Cloggernough, parents Martin & Margaret, Pat Clarke & Ann O'Donnell. - Mike & Delia Rice Derrycourane & their daughter Mary Loftus. - Pat McGreal & DFM.
Mon 11 <sup>th</sup>	- No Mass Intentions.
Tues 12 <sup>th</sup>	- No Mass Intentions.
Wed 13 <sup>th</sup>	- No Mass Intentions.
Thur 15 <sup>th</sup>	- No Mass Intentions.
Fri 15 <sup>th</sup>	- No Mass Intentions.
Sat 16 <sup>th</sup>	- <b>1pm Islandeady:</b> Nora Graven, Leitir (1 <sup>st</sup> Anniv). - <b>7pm Glenisland:</b> Jimmy & Margaret Chambers, Glenhest & Michael & Mary McLoughlin, Derrycosho.
Sun 17 <sup>th</sup>	- Bernie Ludden, Sheeaune (14 <sup>th</sup> Anniv) & DFM. - Paddy & Delia Lawless, Cornagushlaun & their daughter Rosie. - Mary O'Donnell, Derrycourane, her brother Eamonn Geraghty & DFM. - Edward & Sabina Staunton & DM Staunton & Kilcoyne F. Ballinamroogue. - Jerry & Mary Brosnihan & their son Mike, Deergrove. - Mena & Paddy Burke & DFM, Cornanool.

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**People of God ministering / helping in CHURCH next Week: Sat/Sun 16<sup>th</sup> /17<sup>th</sup> Dec**

Ministry:	Glenisland:	Islandeady:
<b>Music:</b>	Anne & Choir.	Choir.
<b>Readers:</b>	Jackie Deffely.	Liam Sadler (Pg. 104) 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sun of Advent.
<b>Ministers of Eucharist:</b>	John Ruane.	M. Reidy, N. Sadler, B. Staunton.

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Monday: Feast of St. Damasus I, Pope.  
 Tuesday: Feast of St. Finnian, Bishop.  
 Wednesday: Feast of St. Lucy, Virgin & Martyr.  
 Thursday: Feast of St. John of the Cross, Priest.  
 Friday: Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe.  
 Saturday: Feast of Our Lady of Loreto.  
 Sunday: Third Sunday of Advent.

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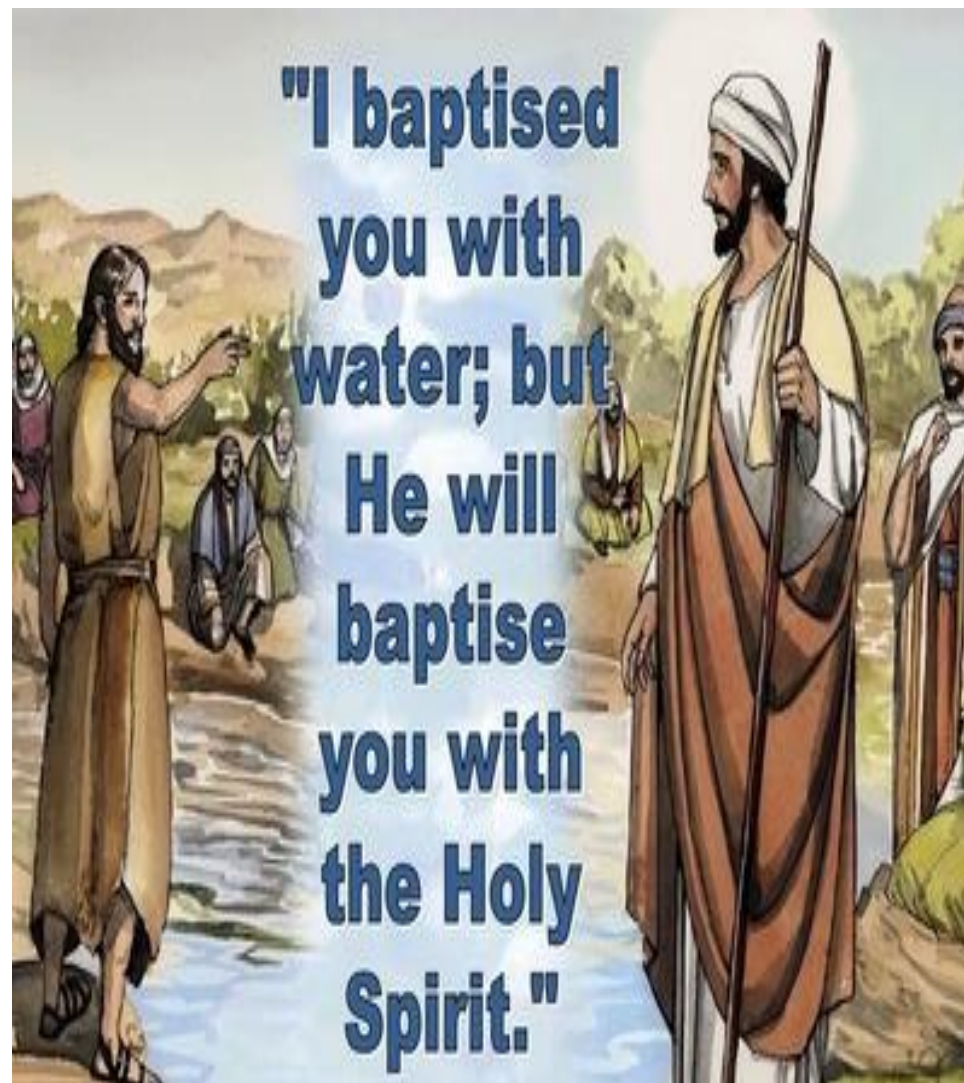
**Adoration Times: Sunday 7-8pm / Monday 7-8pm / Thursday 8-9pm. All Welcome.**

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 [islandeadyadm@gmail.com](mailto:islandeadyadm@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 10<sup>th</sup> Dec 2023 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent



*Make straight  
the paths of the Lord.*

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In today's readings John the Baptist calls us to straighten out our lives, to lower the mountains of pride so that God's grace can lead us to do what he wants with us. There is no place for our selfishness and pride in St. Peter's new heaven and new earth.



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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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Islandeady **Men's Shed** meet this **Thurs 14<sup>th</sup> Dec** at **8pm** in the Community Centre. New members are welcome to attend.

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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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**Glenisland Christmas Party** takes place this **Sun 10<sup>th</sup> December** in the **Ivy Tower** from **2pm – 5pm**. Tickets available. Raffle, Finger Food & Refreshments. Wheel of Fortune with prizes & live music by Mick McDonald. Tickets on sale after mass on Sat evening, **€10** for Adults & children go **FREE!** Contact (087) 289 5934 to order tickets also.

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There was **No Winner** of the last Islandeady GAA Lotto draw. The next draw takes place **next Sun 10<sup>th</sup> Dec** in the **Keywest**. The Jackpot will be **€9,450**. **The Lucky Dip Prize winners:** Jason McGlynn & John Cooper.



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Islandeady **Village Enhancement Group** is looking at getting a **group of volunteers** together, Men, Women, Young & Elderly, Men's Shed & other groups who would be free for 1-2 hours on a Saturday morning to **help** with **Enhancement Projects** around the Islandeady Village area such as planting shrubs & trees, maintenance work etc. It is hoped to get this group going in early January & we would **appreciate** your **involvement**.

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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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**Cogaula NS Christmas Concert** will take place in Islandeady Community Centre on **Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December** at **7pm**. All are **welcome** to attend. Come along and enjoy music, dance, drama & the Christmas Spirit. **No entry fee**. Raffle will take place on the night.

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On-going collection of **used stamps** in aid of **'The Capuchin Day Centre'** which is **kindly** organised by a **local parishioner** – please leave **1cm** of paper around the stamp when you cut or tear it from the envelop/parcel. Stamps can be posted to Ms. Concepta Moran, Drimneen, Islandeady, Castlebar.

**Outdoor Carol Service** at the Presbytery this **Sat Dec 9<sup>th</sup>** after mass. All parishioners & locals are kindly asked to stay behind after mass this Saturday night and **join in** with us as we sing the Carols in the start of a **new community custom**.

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**Pioneer Calendar** is available from Pioneer Centres & from Central Office on (01) 805 4226. The calendar is designed to offer spiritual support to families which are being impacted by alcohol & addiction. Cost is **€5**

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**This year** there will be **no Sunday Morning Mass** on **Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> Dec** in the Westport Deanery Churches. As a result there will be **No Mass** in Islandeady **that Sun** at **11am**.

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**THANKS** to the many households who have signed up for the **€5 per week** for the **next 3 years** which will help pave the way to building a modern Community Centre for everybody to enjoy & benefit from. **This Tues** is your **last chance** to sign up to join us on this journey to create a modern, inclusive space **FOR ALL Members of OUR Community**. If you wish to sign up, please call the Secretary, Robert on (087) 614 5439.

Important meeting of **Islandeady Community Council** will take place this **Tues 12<sup>th</sup> Dec** at **8pm** in **St. Aidan's**. All Council members are kindly asked to attend.

**A Nice Christmas Tradition:** Wrap up baby Jesus like a Christmas Present & place under the Christmas Tree & unwrap on Christmas Day to be placed in the crib.

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#### *Christmas Mass Times & Schedule in the Parish for 2023*

- Mon 18<sup>th</sup> Dec: **Christmas Confessions** will be at **7pm** Glenisland / **8pm** Islandeady.
- Fri 22<sup>nd</sup> Dec: **Christmas Family Mass** for Parents & kids at **6pm** in Islandeady.
- Sat 23<sup>rd</sup> Dec: **Regular Saturday Evening Mass** in Glenisland at **7pm**
- Sun 24<sup>th</sup> Dec: There will be **NO SUNDAY MORNING MASS** in **ISLANDEADY**.
- Sun 24<sup>th</sup> Dec: **Christmas Eve Masses** will be at **7pm** Glenisland / **9pm** Islandeady.
- Mon 25<sup>th</sup> Dec: **Christmas Day Masses** will be at **10am** Glenisland / **11am** Islandeady.

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You can sponsor a light on the **Christmas Tree of Light at Knock Shrine** for a loved one living or deceased and it will shine throughout the Christmas period. You can purchase your Shine a Light card for **€5** from Mayo/Roscommon website. Cards are also available at local pharmacies & Hospice shops. **Proceeds in aid of Mayo/Roscommon Hospice**.

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**Islandeady Lip-Sync 2023:** All the money is in and the counting & verifying has been completed by the Community Council & the GAA. Both groups will receive the final sum of **€69,436.55 each**. This wouldn't have been achieved without the hard work of the organisers working behind the scenes, the groups who rehearsed & went up on stage, the many generous businesses who supported this fundraising venture and the many wonderful local people who contributed financially or otherwise. This money will go a long way in developing local community and sporting facilities for our community. **Thank You**.

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**Anam Cara Mayo** will hold its next monthly **parent evening** for **bereaved parents** on **Tues 19<sup>th</sup> Dec** at **7:15pm** in the **TF Royal Hotel**. Please call (085) 2888 888 for more info.

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**Tuam Archdiocese Pilgrimage to Malta** for 7 nights from June 26<sup>th</sup> – July 3<sup>rd</sup> – ex Dublin with a Spiritual Director. Contact (01) 241 0800 for details & bookings.