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 26<sup>th</sup> Dec – Sun 02<sup>nd</sup> Jan)

Sat 25 <sup>th</sup>	- 10am Glenisland: Christmas Morning Mass (For All the People of the Parish).		
	- 11am Islandeady: Christmas Morning Mass (For All the People of the Parish).		
Sun 26 <sup>th</sup>	- 10am Glenisland: Christopher Geraghty.		
	Lena O'Donnell, Knockbaun (16 <sup>th</sup> Anniv).		
	- 11am Islandeady: May & Patrick McGuire, sons Joe & Sean & Gabriel Barrett.		
Mon 27 <sup>th</sup>	- No Mass Intentions.		
Tues 28 <sup>th</sup>	- No Mass Intentions.		
Wed 29 <sup>th</sup>	- No Mass Intentions.		
Thurs 30 <sup>th</sup>	- 7pm Islandeady: Pat Brennan, Ballyglass (Months Mind).		
Fri 31st	- <b>7pm Glenisland:</b> Maureen, Agnes & Ashlene McLoughlin & DFM, Beltra.		
Sat 01 <sup>st</sup>	- For All the People of the Parish/Pro Populo.		
Sun 02 <sup>nd</sup>	- Bridie & Paul Joyce, Keelogues.		
	- Mike, Mary, Kathleen Philbin, Tom & Kevin Basquill, Walter & Nappy Gibbons, Peter		
	& Mary Ann Philbin.		

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Ministry:	Glenisland:	Islandeady:	
Mass Servers:	Team 1.	Team 1.	
Music:	Anne & Choir.	Nora & Choir.	
Readers:	Teresa Walsh.	Tanya McLoughlin	
Ministers of Eucharist:	Michelle Lavelle.	Bernie Graven & Eddie Jennings	

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**Monday:** Feast of St. John, Apostle & Evangelist. **Tuesday:** Feast of The Holy Innocents, Martyrs.

Wednesday: Feast of St. Thomas Becket, Bishop & Martyr.

**Thursday:** Feast of St. Egwin of Evesham, Bishop.

**Friday:** Feast of St. Sylvester I, Pope.

**Saturday:** Feast of Mary, the Holy Mother of God (World Day of Peace). **Sunday:** Feast of St. Basil the Great, Bishop & Doctor of the Church.

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The Rotas for **Islandeady** church has been finalised for **2022** and was **posted** out to the different Ministers in the past week. If you didn't recieve your rota for 2022 please let Fr. Chris know so it can be posted to you. The **Glenisland Rota** for 2022 has been kindly co-ordinated locally by Michelle Lavelle & **THANKS** for her help & support with this.

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**Pilgrimage to Medjugorge (Week 1)** from  $21^{st}$  Sept  $-28^{th}$  Sept 2022, Knock to Mostar. **(Week 2)** from  $28^{th}$  Sept  $-5^{th}$  Oct 2022, Knock to Mostar. If €100 deposit is paid before  $31^{st}$  Jan 2022 price will be €725, otherwise it is €775. Accomodation is 2 minutes from church. Please call Anne Keadin on (086) 376 6293.

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To book an **Anniversary Mass** please **email** Fr Chris at <u>parishig2017@gmail.com</u> or contact him at (087) 1962 674. Please also provide your name and phone number.

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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 <a href="mailto:islandeadyadm@gmail.com">islandeadyadm@gmail.com</a>

## Islandeady-Glenisland Parish Newsletter

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

Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> Dec 2021 – The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph



The shepards hastened to Bethlehem, where they found Mary & Joseph, and the baby lying in a manger.

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

In today's Gospel, the Holy Family is seen as the model for the human family, the religious community and the church itself. The celebration of the incarnation has brought us to see God's closeness. In the Holy Family we see the ordinariness of the life of Jesus, the simple acceptance By Mary and Joseph of the marvels of God.



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If you would like to take **Communion** home to a family member or a neighbour, please let Fr. Chris know so arrangements can be made to safely distribute Communion.

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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 virus & would like to receive the **Sacraments** again need to contact the Priest & make the necessary arrangements.

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New **International Computer Driving Licence** training in Castlebar, Achill & Belmullet. Eligibility criteria applies. Contact Sharon on (087) 2909 064.

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You can now play the **Islandeady GAA Lotto Online..!!** Go to: <a href="https://smartlotto.ie/islandeady-gaa/">https://smartlotto.ie/islandeady-gaa/</a> **No Winner** from the last online draw. The next Draw takes place this **Sun 26<sup>th</sup> Dec**. The Jackpot will be €6,900. **The Lucky Dip Prize winners:** John McCormack & Josephine Poland.



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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- ➤ Islandeady Ladies' Club meets every Tues night at 8pm in the Community Centre.
- ➤ Wednesday Get-together meets every Wed from 11:30am in the Community Centre.
- ➤ **Islandeady Foróige** continues every Thurs & Fri night in the Community Centre.

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The **Christmas Collection** for the **Priest** took place at masses on **Christmas Eve** & **Christmas Day**. It is the purple envelope in your box. If you overlooked your envelop you can drop it into the basket anytime. Please be as generous as you can afford to be. Fr. Chris is extremely grateful for your continued support & generosity.

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If you want to **work off** some of the **Christmas Dinner**, why not participate in the **Annual St. Stephens Day Walk** on this **Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> Dec** at **2pm** at the **Key West. €10 Family Donation** and the chosen beneficiaries this year is Islandeady LGFA & Islandeady Foróige.

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**Islandeady GAA Scrap Metal Collection** takes place on **Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> January**. Drop off point is **Islandeady Church Car Park**. This is an opportunity to offload any object that is of no further use to you, provided that it contains some metal. Proceeds from this fundraiser will go towards Islandeady GAA. Please contact Tony on (086) 7955 254 or Michael on (087) 9855 324 for more information or to arrange to have your scrap metal picked up.

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**Thank you** to the members of the **Islandeady Men's Shed** who recently done some work around the **Parochial House** in Islandeady. Big projects in the pipeline for 2022..!!

## Thoughts for the week

## **Christmas Reflection**

Lord.

As we celebrate another Christmas,
help us to live each moment gratefully.

May we have the faith to trust in the gifts you have given us,
may we have the hope that overcomes the dark thoughts
that sometimes cloud our vision.

May we have the love that makes our world a better place.
We make this prayer through Jesus our brother,

born for us again in Bethlehem.
Amen.

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## **Missing You At Christmas**

Every day without you since you had to go, Is like summer without sunshine and winter without snow. I wish that I could talk to you there is so much I would say, life has changed so very much since you went away. I miss the bond between us and I miss your kind support, You're in my mind and in my heart and every Christmas thought. I'll always feel you close to me and though your far from sight, I'll search for you among the stars that shine on Christmas night.

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If Christmas is hard and if you've lost someone dear,
Just look in your heart and you'll know I'm still here.
The star in the sky, the light falling snow,
The Robin outside, they all seem to know.
If this is a time when you're struggling through,
Just do what you can, for what matters is YOU.
There's no need to merry, there's no need to be bright,
Just do what you can, it will be alright!

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At the end of another Year 2021 and the beginning of a New Year, May God grant us Peace of Mind and the Grace to Cope with whatever 2022 may bring and....

Happy New Year..!!