

Church of The Immaculate Conception
 Muire gan Smál, Maigh Cuilinn
 Maigh Cuilinn Parish Newsletter

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3rd Sunday of Lent
 3rd March 2024.



Mass Times:
Saturday Eve:
 7pm (Vigil Mass)
Sunday Morning:
 10am & 12 noon
Weekday Mass:
 9.30am Tue—Fri.
Holydays:
 7pm (Vigil Mass) & 12 noon
Baptisms:
 Any Sunday, by request.
 2 weeks notice.
Marriages:
 3 months notice for Church & State
Pre-Marriage Course:
 Book 1 year in advance
Confession:
 Sat 6:15–6:45pm
Communion Calls: 1st Fri, of Month or on request.
Adoration:
 Wed 8 - 9pm, Fri 10am-11am & Sun eve, 7pm with 'Rosary for Peace'
'Prayers for Priests' & Vocations—Every Thur after mass in Adoration Chapel.
Coeliacs:
 May receive a Gluten Free host from the priest at the Altar.
Parish Office:
 091-555106. Open: 10am-1pm, Mon—Fri.
St Vincent de Paul:
 091-563233.
Parish Radio Mass: 106.9FM

RÚN AIFRINN/ MASS INTENTION:

Sat 2 7pm
 • Maureen Richardson, Barna Rd, (Anniv)
 • Adrian O'Sullivan, Moycullen (Anniv)
 • Denis Phelan Baile Doite (Anniv)
Sun 3 10am
 • **1st Anniv:** Philomena Joyce, Ballinahalla
 • Siofra Collins, Clooniff (3rd Anniv)
 • Eileen Molloy, Leagaun (2nd Anniv)
 • **M/M:** Olive Maguire, Mountain Road
 • **NO MASS**
 • **Holy Souls**
 • Dec'd Kyne & Lydon families, Loughwell
 • Mary Cooke, Uggool (Anniv)
 • Tina & Joan Breslin, Woodlands Pk (Anniv)
 • Denis Grant, Drimavoughane (8th Anniv)
 • John Fox, Knockshanbally (3rd Anniv)
 • Aidan Scully, Forest Hills (4th Anniv) & his granddads, Paddy Gerrard & Paddy Scully
 • **1st Anniv:** Kevin Verney, Knockauranny
 • Seamus McGuinness, Cartoor (8th Anniv)
 • Margaret Duggan (Keedy), Knockauranny & Galway city (Anniv)
 • People of the Parish
12 noon
Mon 4 9:30am
Tue 5 9:30am
Wed 6 9:30am
Thu 7 9:30am
Fri 8 9:30am
Sat 9 7pm
Sun 10 10am
12 noon
Please pray for recently deceased:
 • Mary Clancy, née Coyne, Cnocán Raithní/ Leenane

Church Cleaning: Newtown/Oldtown

Counters: This week: Frank & Mary Downes
 Next week: Máirtín & Geraldine Clancy

Readers: This Week Next Week
7pm Sacrament Mass Mary Howley
10am Sharon Langan Peter Tobin
12 noon Kate Rodgers Teresa Morgan

Eucharistic Ministers for Mar:

7pm: S Tierney, K Kearns, N King & M Heveran
10am: Mary Conneely, John D'Arcy & Kathleen Kelly
12noon: Máire Baker & Tomás Clancy

Offertory: €1370. Online: €135. Trócaire: €2735.

NB: Diocesan Privacy Statement & Policy, which covers all parishes, is available on request from the Parish Office, in both hard & soft copy.

Mass Theme - Téama Aitrinn

As Lent progresses the cross comes into clear focus. Today we have the story of the cleansing of the temple. The issue for the Jews was the authority by which Jesus could claim to do this. The answer is found in the death and resurrection of Jesus. This idea is paralleled in the first reading where God gives the ten commandments.



Reflection—Ailachnamh

Prayer for 3rd Sunday of Lent;
 Loving Father,

*So many times I turn away from you
 and always you welcome me back.*

Your mercy and love gives me confidence

*Thank you for the invitation to share, fast and pray
 so that you can form a new heart within me.*

*Your powerful compassion for my weaknesses
 leads me to ask for mercy and await with great hope
 the Easter joy you share with us.*

Unknown.

Notice Board—Clár Fógara

Rosminan Mission Appeal—NEXT Wknd (9th & 10th March '24) the Rosminians will be making a mission appeal in our Parish. The Rosminians work in East Africa, running parishes in Tanzania, Kenya & Uganda providing health care in rural areas, digging water wells for local communities & providing primary, secondary & technical education for both boys & girls, Christians and Muslims alike.

Maigh Cuilinn, Community Bingo: Please support our weekly, Bingo sessions every **Thur @ 8pm, Áras Uilinn.** Bigí linn.

MEDJUGORJE International Youth Festival July 31–Aug 7. Spiritual Dir: Bishop, Ml Duignan. OPEN TO, 18-35 yrs (by 31.7.2024). Subsidised Fare €680 – all inclus. Info & bkg form contact, Galway Diocesan Office, email: info@galwaydiocese.ie /091-563566 or contact your own PP. Limited spaces—first come, first served.

Child Protection Policy available in Sacristy

Closes: 12th April.

SANTIAGO DE COMPOSTELA CAMINO 2024 - Join **Focus Ireland** 'In the Footsteps of St James' on a fully guided walk from Sarria to Santiago de Compostela along the Camino de Frances & help support families in our community's experiencing homelessness. From: **27 May - 3 June. Ex-Dublin.** PH: Monica, 087-9547007/ email: events@focusireland.ie for info & bookings.

Songs of Peace this Spring—Galway Choral Association is open to new members for the spring term, working towards a concert about Peace in early May, directed by Dr Darina McCarthy. We are a 60-voice SATB choir, based in Galway City & have vacancies in all sections. Choral experience & ability to read music are helpful: Love of music & willingness to work on learning are essential. More info, galwaychoral.ie or email: admin@galwaychoral.ie if you are interested.

What is the Holy Spirit calling me to do in my parish?

- Reader or Minister of the Eucharist
- Music / Choir
- Technology – Camera, Live streaming, etc.,
- Welcome ministry, hospitality
- Children's Liturgy / Sacramental Preparation
- Safeguarding Committee
- Youth Ministry
- Adult Faith formation / Catechism
- Lectio Divina / Prayer Group/ Liturgy Group
- Adoration (Eucharistic)
- St Vincent de Paul
- Funeral Ministry / Bereavement Group
- Grounds & Building Upkeep / Facilities mgmt., Church Cleaning
- Sacristan / Altar Server
- Church Environs / Flower & other displays
- Finance Committee
- Counters / Collectors
- One World Group
- Friendship Club
- Community Outreach – Foodbank / Cross

Community/ Housebound Visitation/ Special needs
PH: 091-555106, if you'd like more info on any of the above roles.

FACE MASKS: Still recommend, in group gatherings, for anyone with underlying Health issues.

Items for the Newsletter should be delivered, in writing or e-mail, by 1pm Wednesday afternoon. Please note: Items are included based on availability of space, and should be brief and to the point.