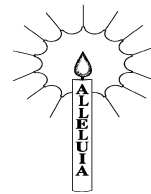


Church of The Immaculate Conception  
 Muire gan Smál, Maigh Cuilinn  
 Maigh Cuilinn Parish Newsletter

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4th Sunday of Easter  
 (Vocation Sunday)  
 21st April 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:**  
 Sundays, 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 Mth / on request.  
**Adoration:**  
 Tue 10-10:30am  
 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:**  
 Gluten Free host available 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 20 7pm**

- John Brown, Kylebroughlan (Anniv)
- Julia & Edward Finn, Ballycroy (Anniv)
- Delia & Patrick Kelly, Killrainey

**Sun 21 10am**

- Mona & Nora O'Connor Thounaghbegga
- Mary-Bridget Kelly, Drimavoughane (Anniv)
- Tom Tierney, Gurrane
- M/M: P J Melia, Cloonabinnia
- NO MASS

**12 noon**

**Mon 22 9:30am**

**Tue 23 9:30am**

**Wed 24 9:30am**

Confirmation Ceremonies @ 11am & 3pm

**Thu 25 9:30am**

- Thomas Mathew, India (Anniv)

**Fri 26 9:30am**

- **Memorial:** Marie Goonan née Devaney
- John, Julia, Seamus Clancy & Joan Davoren -Clancy, Mountain Rd & Galway
- Seán Curran, Clooniff (Anniv)

**Sat 27 7pm**

- Patrick, Charles & Bridget O'Malley, Leagaun (Anniv)
- Bryan Casburn, Kylebroughlan (2nd Anniv)
- Anne & Christy Hynes & Dec'd fam, Gortyloughlin
- M/M: James Halloran, Killagoola

**Sun 28 10am**

**12 noon**

**Please pray for recently deceased:**

- Rose Finnerty née Ryan, Oldtown & Pallasgreen, Limerick
- Julia (Jiley) Ferry, Galway & Donegal, aunt of Siobhan Tierney, Clooniff

**Church Cleaning:** Knockbane/Ballyquirke

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

**Readers:** This Week Next Week

**7pm Sacrament Mass** Anne Marie Walsh

**10am Sharon Langan** Peter Tobin

**12 noon Maura Thornton** Kate Rodgers

**Eucharistic Ministers for Apr:**

**7pm:** Maureen Acton, Ann Kelly-Clancy & Olivia King

**10am:** Tom Duffy, Nicholas Barrett & Brenda Monaghan

**12noon:** Maureen Brown, Anne Newell & Phil Harte

**Volunteers EM's needed for Confirmation on 24th for 11am & 3pm. Sign up sheet in Sacristy.**

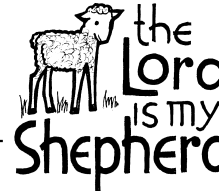
**Offertory:** €1,365. Online: €35. Trócaire: €30.

**NB: Parish office will be closed on Mon 22 Apr. Re-open Tue 23 @ 10am.**

**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 Aitirinn**

The image put before us in today's liturgy to describe the person and work of Jesus among this disciples is that of shepherd. It is one which would have been extremely familiar to Jesus' hearers for whom the sight of an individual leading sheep to pasture would have been a common one. We are told that in the Holy Land shepherds lead rather than drive. So, sheep follow rather than are driven. Two aspects of this are important. First to follow involves a free choice. Second, to follow someone means to have confidence in their ability to lead.



**Reflection—Ailachnamh**

**PARISH PRAYER FOR VOCATION**

Lord Jesus, you said to your disciples:  
 "The harvest indeed is great but the labourers are few."

We ask that we may know and follow the vocation to which you have called us.

We pray for those called to serve:  
 those whom you have called,  
 those you are calling now,  
 And those you will call in the future.  
 May they be responsive to the call of serving your people. Amen

**Notice Board—Clár Fógra**

**2nd Collection THIS wknd (20 & 21 Apr) for Clerical Students—Vocation Sunday** (all masses). This collection helps fund the education of student priests for our Diocese. Promotional expenses, i.e. publicity material, workshops & events, is also funded by this collection.

**URGENT! Road Closure Notice**—Main crossroads in Moycullen Village will be closed from **Sun 21, 8am — Tue 23, 11pm. See Map on notice board.**

**All- Night Vigil of Prayer for Vocations** to the Diocesan Priesthood in the Diocese of Galway, Kilmacduagh &

Child Protection Policy available in Sacristy

Kilfenora to coincide with Vocations Sunday 2024 will begin at 7pm, **THIS Sun 21st Apr '24** in the **Cathedral of Our Lady Assumed into Heaven and Saint Nicholas**, Galway & will conclude before the **11am Mass, Mon 22nd Apr**. Please make a special effort to join us. It would be helpful if you would add your name to the rota, available here: <https://t.ly/28WED>

**ALSO: Vocations Information Afternoon** focusing on priesthood in both the Dioceses of Galway, Kilmacduagh & Kilfenora and of Clonfert will take place in Galway City, **Sun 28th April '24**. If you sometimes feel that you may be called to minister as a Priest in either dioceses, you are invited to attend. More info, Fr. Ian O' Neill, E: galwaypriesthood@gmail.com or ☎ 087-2048497.

**The Youth 2000 Connaught** retreat will take place in Calasanctius College, Oranmore, Co. Galway, on the wkend **10-12 May**, with workshops, talks, testimonies, music, prayer, time to relax & meet with others. Come along for the wkend or pop in & say hello! Donation only, 16 -35 yrs. More info or to book a place, visit [www.youth2000.ie](http://www.youth2000.ie) or email: [connaught@youth2000.ie](mailto:connaught@youth2000.ie).

**National Pilgrimage for Life**—The first National Pilgrimage for Life, organised by the Council for Life of the Irish Catholic Bishops' Conference, will be celebrated on **Sat 4th May, Knock Shrine**. The pilgrimage begins with '**Anointing of the Sick**' in the **Basilica @ 3pm**, followed by **Mass & Rosary Procession afterwards**, weather permitting. The main celebrant & homilist: Archbishop Francis Duffy. **We invite you to join us to celebrate the gift of life & pray for the protection of all human life.**

**Galway Hospice Car Raffle** (2024 Kia). Funds raised to provided care to 1,000+ patients yearly. Tkts: €10 at [raffle.galwayhospice.ie](http://raffle.galwayhospice.ie) or 091-770868. Draw **2nd May**.

**Join the MSC Missions** as we walk the lanes & valleys of the **Camino Ingles** from **Ferrol- Santiago, 29th July- 5th Aug '24**. More info; on fundraising pilgrimage PH: Mary, 021-4546691 / [mary.morrhish@mscmisions.ie](mailto:mary.morrhish@mscmisions.ie)

**Easter Dues** envelopes available at the back of the church. Their return is much appreciated as it is the main source of income for the priest. **Fr. Martin** sincerely appreciates your continued support.

**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.