



Church of The Immaculate Conception

Muire gan Smál, Maigh Cuilinn

Maigh Cuilinn Parish Newsletter

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First Sunday of Lent
22nd February 2026



Mass Times:

Saturday Eve: 7pm (Vigil Mass)

Sunday Morning:

10am & 12 noon

Weekday Mass:

9.30am Tue—Fri.

Holy Days:

7pm (Vigil Mass)

& 12 noon

Fr Martin available

after wknd

Masses, for 10

min in Sacristy.

Coeliacs:

Gluten Free host

available from the

priest at the Altar.

Baptisms:

1st & 3rd Sundays,

each month @

1pm. 2 wks notice.

Pastoral Council

Café & Donuts

1st Sun of Month

after 10am Mass

Marriages:

3 months notice for

Church & State

Pre-Marriage

Course:

Book 1 year in

advance

Confession:

Sat eve 6-6:45pm

and by Request

Communion

Calls: 1st Fri, of

Mth & on request.

Adoration:

Tue 10-10:30am

Wed 8 - 9pm,

Fri 10am-11am &

Sun eve, 7pm

Parish Office:

091-555106/085-

8253379. Open:

9:30am-1:30pm,

Mon—Fri.

St Vincent de

Paul: 091-

563233.

RÚN AIFRINN/ MASS INTENTION:

Sat 21 7pm

• Tomás & Joseph Lydon, B'day Remb

• Seán Curran, Clooniff (A)

• Eddie Griffin, Thumnasragh (A)

• Nancy Ann O'Sullivan, Woodstock (A)

• Brian & Bernie Duffy, Strandhill (A)

• Cathal & Myra McMonigal, Mt Charles (Rem)

• Thomas Sweeney, Corbally (A)

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• People of the Parish

12 noon

Mon 23

Tue 24 9:30am

Wed 25 9:30am

Thu 26 9:30am

Fri 27 9:30am

Sat 28 7pm

• Mary Clancy, Knockaunranny (A)

• Frank & Julia Kelly, Ballyquirke (A)

• Fr Larry & Bridie Kelly, Homefarm (A)

• John, Nora & Tom Keeler, Tooreeny (A)

• Willie Conneely, Knockarasser (A)

• Maureen & George Richardson, Barna Rd. (A)

• Síofra Collins, Clooniff (5th A)

• Dec'd Gill Family, Tullykyne (Remb)

• People of the Parish

Sun 1 10am

12 noon

Church Cleaning: Uggool/Gortachalla

Counters: **This week:** Team 6

Next week: Team 7

Readers: **This Week**

7pm Éanna Murphy

10am Mary Barrett

12 noon Margaret Madden

Next Week

Jack Lynch

Sharon Langan

Maura Thornton

Eucharistic Ministers for February:

7pm: Helen Mullarkey & Kathleen Kearns.

10am: Seamus Acton, Sheila Lydon & Alan Carty.

12noon: Frank Downes & Mary O'Reilly.

Offertory: €1650. **Online:** €40.

2026 Rota's for all Groups; available in the Sacristy. Also:

Helper forms will be available in the Sacristy. All Helpers Forms

must be renewed for 2026. Thank you.

NB: A sum of money was found outside Aiséirí on the

evening of the reposing of Johnny Welby, RIP. (6th Feb). Please

contact 091-555106, if you wish to claim it.

NB: Diocesan Privacy Policy Statement which covers all parishes,

is available on request from the Parish Office, in E or hard copy.

Mass Theme - Téama Aifrinne

The temptations in today's Gospel are not at all temptations to this or that sin but rather fundamental options which matter for the direction of life. Jesus was tempted in the course of his ministry to choose another way of being God's prophet, the Messiah or anointed. In a less spectacular way, we too can be attracted by choices which shapes the way our life unfolds. We ask ourselves, what do I live on? What's my true goals? Where is my nourishment? The human, no less that the Kingdom, is more than food and drink. Only the Word of God truly nourishes and illuminates.



Reflection—Ailachnamh

You wait to catch my attention

Lord, you seek me out so patiently.
You wait for a moment
when I'm not fluttering around,
wait for the chance
to catch my attention.
Why am I so busy, Lord,
when you want to speak to my heart?
Why are the precious moments
of sharing with you
so few and far between?
Teach me, Lord
to treasure a moment with you,
to rest a little while in your presence.

PATRICK SAYLES

Notice Board—Clár Fógra

Cruinniú Poiblí Pleanála Teanga - Dé Luain 23ú Feabhra @ 7pm - Teach na Gaeilge, Maigh Cuilinn. Have your say about Irish language planning in our community. Beidh sólaistí ar fáil.

Foróige Moycullen Youth Club-Bake Sale, held on Sun 15th Feb, was a great success, The organisers, members & supervisors would like to **sincerely thanks** all who donated (local businesses & private), helped out & supported this worthy event. **Total raised: €2,127.87**

Child Protection Policy available in Sacristy

Lectio Divina—Gathering during Lent to reflect on the upcoming Sunday Gospel. **Monday's 11am. PH: 085-7221121 Sara or 087-9064116 Ann. See poster.**

"Stories of the Air - Caring for our Environment" **Thur, 26th Feb, 7:30-9:30pm, Croi Nua Spirituality Ctr,** Taylors Hill, H91WY2A. Facilitated by: Dr Liz Coleman. Fee: €10.

LENT 2026 with Emmaus Scripture School by An Tobar Nua. Join us for a 5-week evening course on Luke's Gospel: **Tues, 6-7:30pm, starting 24th Feb;** reg. at gospelofluke.eventbrite.ie. **Lunchtime Online Book Club** for women will meet every Thursday, 12 – 12:50pm, starting 19th Feb - 19th Mar. Free of Charge. see: womensbookclub.eventbrite.ie

Ministry of Catechist and the Permanent Diaconate Would you be interested in serving in the Ministry of Catechist or the Permanent Diaconate in the Dioceses of Clonfert, Galway, Kilmacduagh & Kilfenora? For a conversation & further info, PH; Fr Hugh Clifford, 091-637154, Email; catechistsdeacons@clonfertgalway.ie before **4th March '26. See Poster.**

Eucharistic Healing Retreat in Knock Shrine, led by gifted Croatian Priest, **Fr Roza Palic 7th & 8th Mar (Sat & Sun). St. John's Welcome ctr., Sat: 10am - 6:30pm & Sun: 10am - 4:30pm.** Supported by his Croatian Music Ministry team; no prior booking required; everyone is welcome & please bring a packed lunch. For more info., please contact, Patricia, 089-9466193 or email: fionatjennings@yahoo.com.

GRETB's Open Day -Tue 10th Mar, The Galmont Hotel, Galway, **9am-8pm.** Info on courses, apprenticeships & explore opportunities in Galway & Roscommon. Meet our team & employers. Register at gretb.ie.
Purple Day-Epilepsy Awareness Day takes place on **Thur 26th March.** In Ireland today, over 45,000 people live with epilepsy. More info, www.epilepsy.ie.

"Come and See" Day for men discerning a Vocation to the Priesthood. Takes place in **Knock House Hotel** on **Sat 28th March, from 11am - 4:30pm.** See Poster.

Medjugorje Group Pilgrimage '26, 14th—21st Oct, Knock—Mostar. **€915. PPS,** Travel Insurance extra & discount for under 12 yrs. Single supplement applies. Info: Yvonne 087-4170959 or Marian Pilgrimage: 01-8788159. See poster for full T's & C's.

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.