



# Church of The Immaculate Conception

Muire gan Smál, Maigh Cuilinn

## Maigh Cuilinn Parish Newsletter

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### 4th Sunday in Lent 30th March 2025



#### 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 for 10 min in Sacristy, after each wknd Mass.**  
**Baptisms:**  
1st & 3rd  
Sundays, every month @ 1pm.  
2 weeks notice.

**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  
**Coeliacs:**  
Gluten Free host available from the priest at the Altar.

**Parish Office:**  
091-555106.  
Open: 9:30am-1:30pm, Mon—Fri.  
**St Vincent de Paul:**  
091-563233.

#### RÚN AIFRINN/ MASS INTENTION:

**Sat 29 7pm**  
• Bridie Coyne, her brother, Jim & mother, Mary Corcoran (A)  
• Jack & Mary Kyne, Moycullen (A)  
• Brian & Bernadette Duffy, Strandhill,  
• Cathal & Myra McMonigle, Mt. Charles  
• **1st Anniv;** Una, Ciara & Saoirse Bowden, Gortachalla & Donegal  
• Gus (Athelstan) Bowden, Coleraine RIP  
• Mona & Nora O'Connor, Thounaghbegga (A)  
• Louise Leonard, Barna (7th A)  
• People of the Parish  
• **NO MASS**

**Sun 30 10am**  
**12 noon**  
**Mon 31**  
**Tue 1 9:30am**  
**Wed 2 9:30am**  
**Thu 3 9:30am**  
**Fri 4 9:30am**  
**Sat 5 7pm**

**Sun 6 10am**  
**12 noon**  
• Shane Cuffe, Woodlands Pk (7th A)  
• Martin-Joe Cooke, Pine Grove (A)  
• Stephen & Julia Byrne & Dec'd fam, Galway  
• Tim Kyne, Clydagh (3rd A) & Dec'd Kyne & O'Connor families  
• Mary, Willie & Padraig Faherty, Thullanooone  
• Patrick, Charles & Bridget O'Malley, Homefarm (A)  
• Sarah Audley Mountain Rd (A)  
• Claire Goherty-McDonagh, Uggool (4th A)  
• People of the Parish

**Please pray for the recently deceased;**  
• Joseph (Joe) Maloney, Island Mór

**Church Cleaning:** Homefarm  
**Counters:** This week: Team 1  
Next week: Team 2

**Readers:** This Week Next Week  
**7pm** Nicola McNabb Ann Marie Walsh  
**10am** Mary Barrett Sharon Langan  
**12 noon** Maura Thornton Kate Rodgers

**Eucharistic Ministers for April**  
**7pm:** Maureen Acton, Ann Kelly-Clancy & Olivia King  
**10am:** Tom Duffy, Nicholas Barrett & Brenda Monaghan  
**12noon:** Maureen Brown & Phil Harte



**Don't Forget:** Springtime officially begins @ midnight on Sat 29th Mar, when clocks go (Spring) forward 1 hour.



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

### Mass Theme - Téama Aifrinne

Sometimes the joy of the Lenten season may become obscured by the passion and death of Jesus but today's liturgy, from its very first word, reminds us once again that we are in a season of joy. Our celebration of Lent is from a post-Easter point of view. Even in these days of the impending shadow of the cross, Christ has risen. The Father has vindicated him.

### Reflection—Ailachnamh

#### Happy Mothers Day

I wish for you the blessings of love.....  
Always remember that you are loved.  
I hope your heart will always be warm and secure, as it is forever bound to the hearts of family and friends.  
I wish for you the blessings of hope...  
Always count your many blessings instead of woes;  
remember that tomorrow dawns as a brilliant new day full of opportunity and dreams to come true.  
I wish for you the blessings of prosperity...  
May your cup never be empty;  
Instead, may it overflow with the blessings of success and good fortune.  
I wish for you the blessings of health...  
May God bless you and keep you in His loving care and protect you every day and night.  
I wish you these precious things for today and every day of your life.

K.R. Sprang

## Happy Mother's Day!

**Offertory:** €1285. **Online:** €45. **Trocaire** €155

### Notice Board—Clár Fógara

**2nd Collection for TRÓCAIRE THIS wknd (29 & 30 Mar), at all masses.** This collection is for those who wish to contribute but don't use the Trócaire boxes.

**Maigh Cuilinn Community Text Alert- Registration '25.** Aiséiri, Sat 29 Mar, 6—9:30pm & Sun 30 Mar, 9am—1:30pm. Fee: €5. cash only please.

**Child Protection Policy available in Sacristy**

**1st Anniversary Mass** for Una, Ciara and Saoirse Bowden, **THIS Sun @ 10am.** Family, friends, classmates & neighbour are invited to come together for refreshments and chat in the Halla Mór (Scoil Mhuire) following the Mass.

**NB: Communion Calls for April on Fri 4th.**

**Prayer, pizza & conversation on the theme of 'Pilgrims of Hope' with Bishop MI Duignan: Tue 1st April '25 from 6 - 7:30pm, in St Columbanus Chapel, UCG.** Reg. Link: <https://forms.office.com/e/7kAL7EL2u0> **Enquiries,** to Barry Hynes, Chaplaincy & Pastoral Care, UCG: [barry.hynes@universityofgalway.ie](mailto:barry.hynes@universityofgalway.ie) or PH: 091-495055. See Poster for QR Code.

**Beginning Experience -A Programme for Men and Women, who have lost their spouse through Death, Separation or Divorce. April 4th, 5th & 6th '25, "Star of the Sea" Mullaghmore, Co Sligo.** Contact, Ursula 086-3070279 or Maureen 087-6646896

**CLIMB CROAGH PATRICK Sat 17th May '25 -** Breakthrough Cancer Research invites you to take part in this unforgettable experience. Every step you take will help fund cutting-edge cancer research to Make More Survivors of cancer. Scan the QR code (see poster) or contact us for info; [edel@breakcancer.ie](mailto:edel@breakcancer.ie) 021-422 6655

**An Tobar Nua Counselling (H91 CD71) Donation-based counselling svc available in Galway City.** We offer support to both adults & teenagers, with sessions available in person & online. Our goal, to ensure that financial constraints do not prevent anyone from accessing the help they need. See, [www.antobarnua.ie](http://www.antobarnua.ie) or [counselling@antobarnua.com](mailto:counselling@antobarnua.com) or PH: 091-562175.

**Galway Alzheimer Café -** A free monthly gathering where anyone affected by dementia is welcome! **NEXT AC, Fri 4th Apr, Menlo Park Hotel, 2 – 4pm.** Spkr: Regina Cullen Speech & Language Tprst Info: Maureen Mannion 086-8211540/ [Maureen.mannion@alzheimer.ie](mailto:Maureen.mannion@alzheimer.ie)

Come Holy Spirit Conference **An evening of Prayer, Teaching & Healing** with gifted speaker Vickie Smith USA in **St John the Apostle Church, Knocknacarra, H91 W0H4, Thur 10th Apr, 7:30-9:30pm.** Cost, donation.

**Family Carers Ireland,** the national charity supporting Ireland's 500,000+ family carers nationwide. Contact 057-9370221 to become a member of FCI & hear how we can support you or more info; [www.familycarers.ie](http://www.familycarers.ie).

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