

## Parish of Gallen and Rynagh

St. Marv's, Cloghan & St. Rynagh's, Banagher Patrick Kiernan P.P. 057 9151338

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Readings: Palm Sunday

Mass Times & Anniversaries			
Sat. 1 <sup>st</sup>	6.30 p.m.	St. Rynagh's	Alice McManus, Garbally (Month's Memory)
			May Plunkett, Portavolla (Month's Memory)
			James Nolan, Harbour Road.
Sat. 1 <sup>st</sup>	8 p.m.	St. Mary's	Bridie Beirne, husband James & deceased members of the family.
			John Lynam & his parents Nora & Patrick (requested by S.L.)
			Kieran Clancy, Tonelemone & deceased Clancy, Regan & Taylor
Sun. 2 <sup>nd</sup>	9.30 a.m.	St. Mary's	John Dalton, Ballyshane, Cloghan. Families.
			Myra Dolan, P.J. & Marie Ward & dec. Dolan, Hunt, Ward & Wynne
			Michael & Maura Smith, Banagher Street. Families.
Sun. 2 <sup>nd</sup>	11 a.m.	St. Rynagh's	Tom Fogarty, Cuba Avenue.
			Bridget Hough, Main Street.
Mon. 3 <sup>rd</sup>	9.30 a.m.	St. Rynagh's	Billy Ryland, Cuba Avenue & deceased family members.
			Patrick Heffernan, Tullamore (requested by A. & J.)
Tues. 4 <sup>th</sup>	9.30 a.m.	St. Mary's	John & Brigid O'Dowd and deceased family (requested by S.L.)
Wed. 5 <sup>th</sup>	9.30 a.m.	St. Rynagh's	Margaret Odlum, Cuba Cottages (1 <sup>st</sup> Anniv.)
			Private Intention.
Holy	6.30 p.m.	St. Rynagh's	Mass of The Lord's Supper. Intention of all Parishioners & Friends of the Parish
Thursday	8 p.m.	St. Mary's	Mass of The Lord's Supper. Intention of all Parishioners & Friends of the Parish
Good	3 p.m.	St. Rynagh's	Celebrations of the Lord's Passion.
Friday	6.30 p.m.	St. Rynagh's	The Stations of The Cross
	8 p.m.	St. Mary's	Celebrations of the Lord's Passion.
Holy	6.30 p.m.	St. Rynagh's	The Easter Vigil. Intention of all Parishioners & Friends of the Parish.
Saturday	8.30 p.m.	St. Mary's	The Easter Vigil. Intention of all Parishioners & Friends of the Parish.
Easter Sun.	9.30 a.m.	St. Mary's	Moyra Coady (1 <sup>st</sup> Anniv.)
			Liam Gleeson, Belmont Road.
			Sadie Daly, Banagher Street (requested by K.P.)
Easter Sun.	11 a.m.	St. Rynagh's	Alice McManus, Garbally. Requested by M. & B.)

## Jesus Said, "I am the Resurrection and the Life".

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Terence Egan. Claremorris. Co. Mayo: Patrick (Pat) Burke, Piltown. Co. Kilkenny and formerly Clarinbridge, Co. Galway. May they rest in peace.

Donations to the Parish: If you wish to offer financial support to the Church by electronic transfer our bank details are as follows:- Banagher Parochial Account BIC: BOFIIE2D IBAN: IE23 BOFI90165034757730. Please make cheques payable to Banagher Parochial Church, as Bank of Ireland will not accept any cheques otherwise. Thank you.

Offertory Collections: Banagher €717. Cloghan €715. Counters: Team B

Medjugorje Group Pilgrimage 2023 - Fully escorted trip. Direct flights from Dublin 9th – 16th Aug. €725. Only €100 to secure a place. For more info. contact Aodh 087 2072982 & Carmel Horan 087 2072996. Bus will leave from Banagher. Afternoon of Prayer each Sunday at 2.30 p.m. at Most Precious Blood of Jesus Prayer Centre (Aodh & Carmel Horan's, Coolfin). All most welcome. Info. 087 2072996.

7 nights Pilgrimage to Medjugorje 12<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> April. €775 per person sharing. All inclusive of Bed, breakfast & evening meal, Insurance and airports transfers from Split to Medjugorie. Spiritual Director Fr. Oliver Devine. Group leader Amy Guinan 087 6552453.

## SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION FOR EASTER

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> April – St. Mary's after 9.30 a.m. Mass. Wed. 5<sup>th</sup> April – St. Rynagh's after 9.30 a.m. Mass. Good Friday 7<sup>th</sup> April – St. Rynagh's after 3 p.m. ceremony and St. Mary's after 8 p.m. ceremony.

Palm Sunday celebrated this Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> April. Blessing of Palm branches at all Masses on 1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup> April. Palm Sunday marks the beginning of Holy Week.

First Friday Calls for April take place this Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday. Mon. 3rd April – Banagher area. Tues. 4<sup>th</sup> April – Cloghan area. Wed. 5<sup>th</sup> April – Banagher and Cloghan area.

Holy Week commences on Palm Sunday. The Church celebrates the mysteries of salvation accomplished by Christ in the last days of his life on earth, beginning with His messianic entrance into Jerusalem. The Lenten season lasts until the beginning of the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday, The Easter Triduum then begins. Everyone is invited to join to pray and to reflect on the farewell, crucifixion, death and resurrection of Jesus during Holy Week.

Holy Water: If you wish you can bring your own bottle of water to the Easter Vigil and it will be blessed. Trócaire Boxes for the Lenten Campaign can be left into the Church during Holy Week. Thank you. The Divine Mercy Novena begins on Good Friday 7<sup>th</sup> April. We place our trust in Jesus and ask for His mercy and protection.

Baptism: We welcome into the Christian Community Kai Thomas Anthony Kilmartin Woods, Faddenbeg, Belmont, who was baptised in St. Rynagh's Church last weekend.

Thanks to Aidan in The Spar Shop, Cloghan and Martin in Cloghan Service Station for allowing the Daffodil collection and also thanks to the people for helping out and all who contributed. Total sum €1,790. Shannon Harbour Community Association Annual 5k fun walk/run & Easter Egg Hunt is on Saturday 8th April. Run at 11a.m. Registration from 10.30 a.m. Adults €10/students €5 & family €20. Pre-registration available online via link: https://tinvurl.com/2p82bv8z Easter Egg Hunt for Kids will take place after the run/walk is complete.

Lough Derg One-Day Retreat 2023 Season. May 1st, 7th, 9th, 14th, 20th, 27th, 29th. August 19th, 22nd & 27th. September 2nd, 6th, 9th 12th 16th 17th 23rd & 24th. Admission €45. Booking 071 9861518. Banagher Library will be having a Story Time on Wednesday 5th April at 11 a.m. to celebrate Easter and the start of Spring into Storytime. Booking is essential. To book call into Banagher library or alternatively call 057 9151471 or email banagherlib1@offalycoco.ie This is a free event.

Are You or is Someone You Know, Living with a Long-term Health Condition? Living Well is a Free ONLINE, 6-week group self-management programme for adults living with long term health conditions. There are spaces on our May Programme. Contact Aine (041) 6850676 / (087) 1140371 or www.hse.ie/livingwell The April Dementia Cafe is being held this Mon. 3<sup>rd</sup> April at 10.30 a.m. in the Bridge House Hotel with guest speaker Maura Byrne who will give a talk about family carer stress and how to best deal with this. This session will be a huge benefit to family carers and I ask that you spread the word to people who may benefit of this session. Annual Tea Day Fundraiser coming up on May 4th in Birr Day Care (R42V277) at 2 p.m. This is a vital fundraiser which helps keeps local services such as Daycare, Homecare, Daycare at Home, Dementia Advisors, Dementia Cafes and Support Groups up and running in Offaly and around the country so we would love any support. If you are interested in getting involved and hosting a Tea Day on May 4th please register at www.teaday.ie or call on 087 7151323 if you have any questions.

## Prayer before the Crucifix

Behold, O kind and most sweet Jesus, I cast myself upon my knees in thy sight, and with the most fervent desire of my soul I pray and beseech of Thee to impress upon my heart lively sentiments of faith, hope and charity. With true repentance and contrition for my sins and a firm purpose of amendment; while with deep affection and grief of soul, I ponder within myself and mentally contemplate Thy five precious wounds, having before my eyes the words which David Thy prophet put on Thy lips concerning Thee O Good Jesus.

"They have pierced my hands and my feet, they have numbered all my bones." Amen. (Psalm 21:17-18) Say one Our Father, one Hail Mary and one Glory be to the Father.