



Parish of Gallen and Rynagh

St. Mary's, Cloghan & St. Rynagh's, Banagher

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Notices to be in before 6 p.m. on Thursdays.

Parish Secretary: Tracy Dolan - Monday or Friday

10.30 to 12.30 p.m. 086 0705801

Readings: Second Sunday in Ordinary Time.

Cloghan SVP 087 9272877

Mass Times & Anniversaries

Sat. 14 th	6.30 p.m.	St. Rynagh's	Kieran Butler, Coolfin (1 st Anniv.) John Heraghty, Harbour Road & deceased Butler & Heraghty Families Thomas & Josephine Quirke, Upper Main Street. Virginia Duffy née McGee, Birr (requested by J. & A.)
Sat. 14 th	8 p.m.	St. Mary's	Michael Wynne, Hill View (Month's Memory) Michael Cantwell, Killourney. James & Elizabeth Daly. Joe & Daisy Carroll & their daughter Olive Hodges, Killeenboy. Delia Camon, Cloghan Hill.
Sun. 15 th	9.30 a.m.	St. Mary's	Gerry Molloy, Athlone (requested by G. & A.) Deceased members of the Keenan, Reynolds & Slevin Families, Leitrim
Sun. 15 th	11 a.m.	St. Rynagh's	Eddie Matthews, Virginia (requested by B. & J.) Mary Cox, Cuba Avenue. Dolly Rafferty née Barnes, The Hill (requested by M.R.)
Mon. 16 th	9.30 a.m.	St. Rynagh's	Pat Reddin, Rathcabbin (requested by M. & B.) Roseanne Kiernan, Dublin (36 th Anniv.)
Tues. 17 th	9.30 a.m.	St. Mary's	Dáire Allen (4 th Anniv.) & deceased members of the family. Billy & Rita Doyle, Dublin. Mass in Thanksgiving (requested by F.F.)
Wed. 18 th	9.30 a.m.	St. Rynagh's	Johnny Cleary, Broughal, Kilcormac (requested by M. & B.)
Thurs. 19 th	9.30 a.m.	St. Mary's	Peter Kelly, The Grove, Cloghan. Special Intention (requested by E.C.)
Sat. 21 st	6.30 p.m.	St. Rynagh's	Marie Reynolds, Cuba Avenue (1 st Anniv.) Michael Egan, Curraghavarra. Eddie Matthews, Virginia.
Sat. 21 st	8 p.m.	St. Mary's	Breda James, Lumcloon (Month's Memory) Deceased members of the Woods, Wynne & Bentout Families.
Sun. 22 nd	9.30 a.m.	St. Mary's	Deceased members of the Murphy, O'Brien & Jennings Families. Gearóid MacGabhainn, Dublin.
Sun. 22 nd	11 a.m.	St. Rynagh's	Mary McNally, Queen Street (2 nd Anniv.) Patrick Kelly (16 th Anniv.) & his daughter Teresa, Main Street. Liam Coolahan, Clonlony, Belmont (requested by M.R.) Intentions of all Parishioners and Friends of the Parish.

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

Please pray for the repose of the souls of William Cashin, Deans Grove, Cashel, Co. Tipperary, brother of Alice Kelly, Hill Road, Cloghan; Frank Walsh, Raha, Oughterard, Galway, uncle of Mary Kenny, Hill Road, Cloghan; Esther (Peggy) Roberts née Brien, Eden Road, Birr. May they rest in peace.

Offertory Collections & Holy Day: Banagher €1,290. Cloghan €2,155. **Shrine:** Cloghan €590. **Counters:** Team A
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:** BOFIE2D **IBAN:** IE23 BOF190165034757730. Please make cheques payable to **Banagher Parochial Church**, as Bank of Ireland will not accept any cheques otherwise. Thank you.

Parish Calendar 2023: Please take one from the tables near the Church doors.

Diary 2023: To book an anniversary Mass please email newsletterstrynaghs@gmail.com or contact Tracy 086 0705801.

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity – Wed. 18th to 25th January 2023. The theme this year is Be – Longing: Prayer for Unity amidst injustice.

Catholic Schools Week – Sunday 22nd to 29th January 2023. The theme is Walking Together in Faith and Love. "Let us thank all those who teach in Catholic Schools. Educating is an act of love, it is like giving life." *Pope Francis*

Statistics for 2022 St. Mary's & St. Rynagh's

Baptisms	First Holy Communions	Confirmations	Marriages	Funerals
42	41	49	6	35

Cystic Fibrosis Church Gate Collection next weekend 21/22 January. Your support would be greatly appreciated.

Bright Beginnings, Ferbane are hiring Childcare staff who have a minimum FETAC L5 Qualification. To apply please send your cv and covering letter to brightbeginningsferbane@yahoo.ie

MenPower: Are you interested in finding direction and expanding your horizons? Then join us for the new MenPower programme. Participants will be given the opportunity to find purpose, to make connections, to greatly reduce stress and anxiety, and improve their self-esteem. The programme begins on February 1st and runs for two days per week for a duration of 12 weeks. Participation on this programme is free and will not affect social welfare benefits. For more information please contact Aoife on 087 7385989 or via email akelly@offalyldc.ie

Offaly West Community Employment Scheme have vacancies. Contact Pat Kenny 086 8312636.

St Mary's Church Choir would like to thank everyone who attended and contributed to their recent Nativity Service. The proceeds went to help the Ukrainian Refugees staying in Birr and it raised €820. The proceeds were recently presented to them and they were so grateful and appreciative of the generosity of the people of the parish and for the kindness and welcome they received on the night.

Stamps for the Missions: Keep the stamps from your post, leave a small margin around each stamp and post them to St Patrick's, Highpark Upper, Kiltegan, Co. Wicklow, W91 Y022. The funds raised from used stamps go to pay the salaries of Catechists in the mission countries where the Kiltegan Fathers work.

ALHomecare is in business for 9 years, we work with hundreds of families and we have nearly 300 carers working nationwide. It is a safe and affordable alternative to nursing homes. We aim to provide you with the highest quality live-in homecare at an affordable price. Contact Tom 087 7440729 or Eileen 087 9916791 who will be happy to chat anytime.

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.

A New Year Blessing

In January, month of darkness and frost, be with us, Lord.
In February, month of rain, wind and snow, be with us Lord.
In March, month of farmers, lambs and new life be with us, Lord.
In April, month of swallows, growth and green grass, be with us, Lord.
In May, the month of Mary, the mother of Jesus, be with us, Lord.
In June, month of examinations, and school term's end, be with us, Lord.
In July, month of holidays, the dry grass and summer's end, be with us, Lord.
In August, month of harvest, wheat and corn, be with us Lord.
In September, month of fruits and first days at school, be with us, Lord.
In October, month of St. Francis and falling leaves, be with us, Lord.
In November, month of the dead, the souls and the saints, be with us Lord.
In December, month of the gift and Our Saviour's birth, be with us, Lord.

January-Coping with the New Year

We know that January can be a difficult time for people. In our prayers and Masses, we remember those who carry heavy burdens. We encourage those in need to reach out for help and not to forget the power of prayer.

Lord, grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change; courage to change the things I can; and wisdom to know the difference, Amen.