



**Parish of Gallen and Rynagh**  
**St. Mary's, Cloghan & St. Rynagh's, Banagher**  
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**Readings:** Palm Sunday/24th March 2024

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**Mass Times & Anniversaries**

Sat. 23 <sup>rd</sup>	6.30 p.m.	St. Rynagh's	Bridie Corcoran, Harbour Road (Month's Memory) Martin Doyle (21 <sup>st</sup> Anniv.) Peggy Daly, Coolfin (3 <sup>rd</sup> Anniv.) John & Bridget Ellen Daly. Liam Hughes, Cuba (13 <sup>th</sup> Anniv.) Liam & Kay Mahon, Church St. Danny & Bridget Kennedy, Cuba Cottages. Marion Cox Lynch, Shannon Grove (2 <sup>nd</sup> Anniv.)
Sat. 23 <sup>rd</sup>	8 p.m.	St. Mary's	Bernard Camon, Ferbane St. John Keegan, Ferbane St. Albert Olivier (7 <sup>th</sup> Anniv.) Mai Nugent and husband James and dec. Nugent & Conlon Familie: Michael & Ita O'Connor, Ballinasloe and dec. O'Connor Families.
Sun. 24 <sup>th</sup>	9.30 a.m.	St. Mary's	Kitty Daly née Doolan, Dublin and Ferbane. Helen Shortall (requested by G.G) Roseanne & Molly Colgan, Attinkee. Mike Smith, Attinkee.
<b>Palm Sunday</b>			
Sun. 24 <sup>th</sup>	11 a.m.	St. Rynagh's	Thomas (Tom) Kelly, Coolfin (Month's Memory) Martin Curran, Harbour Road (requested by T. & N.) Edward (Ned) & Margaret Horan, Garbally. Paddy O'Meara, Cuba Avenue
Mon. 25 <sup>th</sup>	9.30 a.m.	St. Rynagh's	Martin Curran, Harbour Road (requested by B. & A.) Phyllis Corrigan, Cuba Avenue (requested by J. D.)
Tues. 26 <sup>th</sup>	9.30 a.m.	St. Mary's	Sr. Anna Maria Keenaghan, America & Lumcloon (requested by J. D.) Special Intention (Teresa)
Wed. 27 <sup>th</sup>	9.30 a.m.	St. Rynagh's	Winnie Donohoe, West End (requested by P. & M.) Special Intention (requested by B. & J.)
<b>Holy Thursday</b>	6.30 p.m.	St. Rynagh's	<b>Mass of The Lord's Supper.</b> Intention of all Parishioners & Friends of the Parish <b>Mass of The Lord's Supper.</b> Intention of all Parishioners & Friends of the Parish <b>Celebrations of the Lord's Passion.</b> <b>The Stations of The Cross</b> <b>Celebrations of the Lord's Passion.</b>
<b>Good Friday</b>	8 p.m.	St. Mary's	
<b>Good Friday</b>	3 p.m.	St. Rynagh's	
<b>Friday</b>	6.30 p.m.	St. Rynagh's	
<b>Holy Saturday</b>	6.30 p.m.	St. Rynagh's	<b>The Easter Vigil.</b> Intention of all Parishioners & Friends of the Parish. <b>The Easter Vigil.</b> Intention of all Parishioners & Friends of the Parish. John d'Alton, Ballyshane. Moyra Coady (2 <sup>nd</sup> Anniv.) and husband Gerry. Elizabeth, Patrick & Michael Barrett, Lumcloon. Eileen Greenan, Dublin & Leirim.
<b>Easter Sun.</b>	8.30 p.m.	St. Mary's	
<b>Easter Sun.</b>	9.30 a.m.	St. Mary's	Teresa & James Cannon, Timolin & dec. Cannon & McIntyre Families Fr. John McNally, Ballyighter & deceased family. Winnie Donohoe, West End (requested by T. & N.)

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

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Noel Jones, Portavolla & formerly Dublin; Anne Camon née Fox, late of Cois na hAbhainn, Portlaoise, formerly Belmont; James (Jimmy) Hynes, Creagh, Ballinasloe and Tynagh, Galway; May they rest in peace.

**Offertory Collections:** Banagher €1,023. Cloghan €1,375.

**Palm Sunday** – Celebration of the Lord's entry into Jerusalem celebrated this Sun. 24<sup>th</sup> March. Blessings of all palm branches at all Masses this weekend.

**Holy Week** commences on Palm Sunday. Holy week is known as Passion Week or in Irish "An Seachtain Mór – The Great Week". It is the week we reflect on the Passion of Christ. It is not just a description it is also an invitation to reflect on the Eucharist, the betrayal, the crucifixion, death and resurrection of Jesus. We pray for a renewal of our faith, hope and love during Holy Week.

**Sacrament of Confession for Easter**

**Tues. 26<sup>th</sup> March** – St. Mary's after 9.30 a.m. Mass. **Spy Wed. 27<sup>th</sup> March** – St. Rynagh's after 9.30 a.m. Mass.

**Holy Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March** – St. Mary's after 8 p.m. Mass.

**Good Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March** – St. Rynagh's after 3 p.m. ceremony and St. Mary's after 8 p.m. ceremony.

**First Friday Communion Calls for Easter**

Mon. 25<sup>th</sup> March – Banagher area.

Tues. 26<sup>th</sup> March – Banagher area.

Wed. 27<sup>th</sup> March – Cloghan and Banagher area.

Holy Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March – Cloghan area.

**Chrism Mass:** Blessing of the Holy Oils celebrated in St. Mel's Cathedral, Longford on Spy Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March at 7 p.m. Celebrant – Bishop Paul Connell.

**Holy Water:** If you wish you can bring your own bottle of water to be blessed at the **Easter Vigil**.

**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 29<sup>th</sup> March. We place our trust in Jesus and ask for His mercy and protection.

**Baptism:** We welcome into the Christian Community Mateo Joseph Grogan, Ferbane Road, who was baptised in St. Mary's Church last weekend.

**Sr. Annette's Mission Appeal for Tanzania:** Sincere thanks to everyone who contributed to the collection which amounted to €7,780. Thank you. Sr. Annette returned to Tanzania during the week. We ask God to bless and protect her in her missionary work.

**Acknowledgement:** The family of the late Tom Kelly, Coolfin would like to express their gratitude, appreciation and thanks to all who sympathised, attended the funeral and supported us over this sad period. Mass of Special Intention will be offered in appreciation and thanks.

**Cystic Fibrosis** Church Gate Collection will take place on the weekend 30/31<sup>st</sup> March. Your support would be greatly appreciated.

**St. Rynagh's Hurling Club & St. Rynagh's Camogie Club** are hosting a Community Morning for **Lá na gClub** on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> April from 11 a.m. – 2 p.m. in St Rynagh's Hurling Club car park. We will have a Fire Engine, Ambulance & Gardaí cars along with pop up Shops, games for the kids & refreshments for the adults. Come along and join us for the morning.

**Lourdes Assisted Pilgrims Fund Collection** – Ardagh & Clonmacnois Diocese will take place on the weekend 6<sup>th</sup>/7<sup>th</sup> April in both Churches. Your support would be very much appreciated.

**Community Employment Scheme** – Are you interested in returning to work, upskilling or re-training: Tullamore Show Office has an administration position available: 19.5 hours per week - "Working with a dynamic team to stage the Tullamore Show and FBD National Livestock Show. This is a very busy environment and gives you the opportunities to engage with hundreds of Trade Exhibitors, Competitors and Event visitors". email info@offalyhistory.com or call 057 9321421 for details

**Banagher Christmas Lights 2023** would like to thank all who contributed to the Christmas Lights last year. We would especially like to acknowledge Pat Kenny and his colleagues for erecting the lights and Banagher Retirement group who always support us.

**Sleepy Hollow Spring Plants for Sale** at Sleepy Hollow, Taylor's Cross and also available in Flynn's shop. As we are over 25 years as a local business we would like to thank all our customers and friends for their continued support.

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**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 our Our Father, one Hail Mary and one Glory be to the Father.