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Sat. 19 <sup>th</sup>	6.30 p.m.	St. Rynagh's	Jo, Paddy & Tommy Kenny, Main Street.					
Sat. 19 <sup>th</sup>	8 p.m.	St. Mary's	Ann, Frank, Bridget & Dick Malone & Mai Hunt, Attinkee. Chris Reams, Hill View. Jimmy Barry, Castle Street. Wishing					
Sun. 20 <sup>th</sup>	9.30 a.m.	St. Mary's	Tony Byrne, Lumcloon. Paddy Doyle, Cloghan Hill. Ray Dullea & his parents Cl	everyone a Happy				
Sun. 20 <sup>th</sup>	11 a.m.	St. Rynagh's	Johnny Creegan, Crott. Holy					
Mon. 21 <sup>st</sup>	9.30 a.m.	St. Rynagh's	George & Teresa Kelly, Cur	Christmas				
Tues. 22 <sup>nd</sup>	9.30 a.m.	St. Mary's	Mary Murphy, Kilmaine, Cl	L				
Wed. 23 <sup>rd</sup>	9.30 a.m.	St. Rynagh's	Nan & Joe Hanevy & their son Padraig. Margaret Horan née Dolan (requested by Banagher Retirement Group) Martin Doyle (Birthday Remembrance 22 years).					
Thurs. 24 <sup>th</sup> Christmas	9.30 a.m.	St. Mary's	Ann Lyons, London. Intentions of all Parishioners & Friends of the Parish.					
Eve	6.30 p.m.	St. Rynagh's	Edel Duignan, Cuba Avenue. Intentions of all Parishioners & Friends of the Parish.					
	8 p.m.	St. Mary's	Intentions of all Parishione					
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> Christmas Day	9.30 a.m. 11 a.m.	St. Mary's St. Rynagh's	Intentions of all Parishioners & Friends of the Parish. David, Ellen & John O'Keeffe. Intentions of all Parishioners & Friends of the Parish.					
Sat. 26 <sup>th</sup>	6.30 p.m.	St. Rynagh's	Kathleen Gallagher, Currag Hubert Rigney, Coolfin.	ghavarna. (1 <sup>st</sup> Anniv.)				
Sat. 26 <sup>th</sup>	8 p.m.	St. Mary's	Intentions of all Parishioners & Friends of the Parish. Margaret Claffey, Noggus.					
Sun. 27 <sup>th</sup>	9.30 a.m.	St. Mary's	Denis & Anna Reynolds, Tulcon. Jimmy Duffy, Aughaga & his parents Tom & Margaret. Sally Clarke, Hill Road.					
Sun. 27 <sup>th</sup>	11 a.m.	St. Rynagh's	Thomas Rodgers, Derrycas Charlie Reilly, Dring & Dub					



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

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Maureen Nugent, Annaghgortagh; Thomas Rogers, Derrycasson; Mary O'Shea, Curraduff, Camp; Leo Tierney, Kiltormer. May they rest in peace.

Readers (Dec.) Eucharistic Ministers: (Dec.) Offertory Collections: Readers Cloghan: 19/20th Dec. 24/25<sup>th</sup> Dec. 6.30 p.m. Cora Stronge Smith 6.30 p.m. Gerry Flynn & Siobhan Regan 11 a.m. Sr. Veronica & Maria Donohoe. Banagher €1,110. Cloghan €899. 8 p.m. Jackie Coughlan 8 p.m. Timothy Camon

11 a.m. Cormac Butler and Ann Hughes Counters: Team C 9.30 am. Lily Flaherty 9.30 a.m. Ciara Flynn

Word of Thanks: Sincere thanks to all who are helping out in anyway in the Parish. Your help, support, kindness and generosity is very much valued and appreciated. Wishing you and your families health, safety and joy this Christmas and in the New Year.

## **Christmas Masses**

Christmas Eve 24th December: St. Mary's Church at 9.30 a.m. Christmas Eve 24<sup>th</sup> December: St. Rynagh's Church at 6.30 p.m. Christmas Eve 24<sup>th</sup> December: St. Mary's Church at 8 p.m. Christmas Day 25th December: St. Mary's Church at 9.30 a.m. Christmas Day 25<sup>th</sup> December: St. Rynagh's Church at 11 a.m. Saturday 26th December: 6.30 p.m. St. Rynagh's and 8 p.m. St. Mary's Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> December: 9.30 a.m. St. Mary's and 11 a.m. St. Rynagh's.

The obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days remains suspended during the pandemic. (Christmas is about more than just one day.)

Families are welcome to attend Mass at some point during the twelve days from Christmas Eve to Epiphany.

Please come to ONE Mass so that everyone has an opportunity to attend Mass over the Christmas.

## Listen/watch Mass and then come to the Church to receive communion. Eucharistic Ministers will be available for 15/20 minutes after each Mass.

St. Rynagh's Church	Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> 9.30 a.m.	Wednesday 30 <sup>th</sup> 9.30 a.m.	New year's Day 11 a.m.	Saturday 2 <sup>nd</sup> 6.30 p.m.	Sunday 3 <sup>rd</sup> 11 a.m.
St. Mary's Church	Tuesday 29 <sup>th</sup> 9.30 a.m.	Thursday 31 <sup>st</sup> 9.30 a.m.	New year's Day 9.30 a.m.	Saturday 2 <sup>nd</sup> 8 p.m.	Sunday 3 <sup>rd</sup> 9.30 a.m.

Year of St. Joseph: Dec.8<sup>th</sup> 2020 – Dec. 8<sup>th</sup> 2021. Pope Francis has announced the coming year as 'Year of St. Joseph'. It marks the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the proclamation of St. Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church. St. Joseph, Provider and Protector, pray for us.

Baptism: We welcome into the Christian Community Amelia Helena Martin, Lusmagh Road, who was baptised recently in St. Rynagh's Church.

The Annual St. Vincent de Paul Collection: This year envelopes have been left in the Church porches in both Churches. This is the only means of fundraising for St. Vincent de Paul in our area and all monies raised will go directly to helping people in our community coming up to Christmas and throughout the vear. Thank vou.

Stamps for the Missions: Keep the stamps from your post, leave a small margin around each stamp and post them to St. Patrick's, Kiltegan, Co. Wicklow or you can drop them into the Convent in Ferbane. Foot Care: Mobile Foot Health Practitioner Service, House call available, daytime and evening. Contact Maura at 086 8053671 to arrange an appointment.

**Banagher Library Christmas Opening Hours:** Open for browsing on Tuesday  $22^{nd}$  Dec. 10 - 1 & 2 - 5 p.m. and Thurs.  $31^{st}$  Dec. 10 - 1 p.m. & 2 - 5 p.m. If you would prefer to request a book for collection, contact us on 057 9151471 or banagherlibrary@offalycoco.ie. We can order a book from any library in Ireland. Banagher Active Retirement Club: Christmas greetings to all our members, peace and good health for 2021. we remember all our loved ones who died during the year. Keep safe and stay well. The committee of the Banagher, Cloghan and Lusmagh Branch of Offaly Hospice, wish to gratefully acknowledge a very generous Christmas Donation from Banagher Precast Concrete.

## Novena Prayer in Preparation for Christmas.

Hail and blessed be the hour and moment in which the Son of God was born of the most pure Virgin Mary, at midnight. in Bethlehem, in the piercing cold. In that hour, vouchsafe, O God! to hear my prayer and grant my desire (mention your intention here) through the merits of Our Saviour Jesus Christ, and of His Blessed Mother. Amen.



**Communion Calls for** 

Christmas