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**PARISH MASS AND PRAYER SCHEDULE**

**ST MARY'S CHURCH, CLONMANY**

- Monday—Thursday 9:30am Mass
- Friday: 7:30pm Mass —Confessions from 7pm
- Saturday 6:30pm V Mass—Confessions from 6pm
- Sunday: 11:30am Mass
- Wednesday: *Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament 2:30pm—3:30pm in the room behind the Sanctuary*

**ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH, URRIS**

- Sunday: 10am Mass
- Friday: *Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 3-6pm*

**ORATORY OF THE ASSUMPTION, BALLYLIFFIN**

- Tuesday: *Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 7:30—8:30pm*

**MASS INTENTION THIS WEEKEND**

10am Mass—Betty Wright—McCarron, Letter & London.

**ANNIVERSARIES**

Peter Kearney, Leennakiel; Pauline McMonagle, Annaugh & Danny Doherty, Gortnahinson & Belfast.

**MONTH MIND MASSES**

7pm Mass in the Oratory, Ballyliffin on Monday May 11 will be offered for Packie McGonigle, Magheranaul, Isle of Doagh, on his month's mind.

2pm Mass in St Michael's Church, Urris on Saturday May 16 will be offered for Shaun Doherty-Davis, Claggin & New York, on his month's mind. May they rest in peace.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION**

Congratulations to 2nd class children from Rashenny NS will receive their First Holy Communion on Saturday in the Oratory, Ballyliffin. As a parish community we pray for the children who received the sacrament and their families.

**CONFIRMATION CLASS 2026—PLEDGE MASS**

Children who were confirmed recently are invited to the 11:30am Mass in St Mary's Church this Sunday May 10 to receive the Pledge. All are welcome to this Mass.

**SAINTS OF THE WEEK**

Tuesday: Ss Nereus & Achilleus & St Pancras

Wednesday: Our Lady of Fatima

Thursday: St Matthias

Friday: St Carthage

Saturday: St Brendan

**COLLECTION**

Parish collection last weekend amounted to €1,821.

Trócaire collection has reached €5,820.

Thank you for your continued generosity.

**ROSARY FOR THE MONTH OF MAY**

The Rosary will be recited at the Grotto in St Mary's Church and St Michael's Church every Monday evening during the month of May at 8:30pm continuing this Monday May 11. Everyone is welcome to join in.



# Clonmany Parish Newsletter

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CLONMANY PARISH HOSTS

## LIFE IN THE Spirit SEMINARS

*Come and discover what the Holy Spirit has to offer you!*

Every Wednesday night  
Starting 22nd April (5 weeks)  
7:30pm  
Tea & coffee from 7:15pm

St Francis School, Clonmany

**ALL WELCOME!**

**LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINARS**

**On Wednesday evening in St. Francis' School, Clonmany at 7:30pm—**

You are invited to discover what the Holy Spirit has to offer in your life—prayer, praise, input and discussion. The seminars will be led by the Columba Community. All are welcome.

**HOLY HOUR**

Derry Diocese are doing a Novena of Holy Hours for Vocations in preparation for Pentecost Sunday. We are including our holy hour during the Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in St Michael's Church, Urris on Friday May 15 from 4-5pm. We invite as many as possible to attend during this time and pray earnestly during this novena for vocations.

**VOCATIONS**

In our first reading this weekend we hear about the people of Samaria receiving the Holy Spirit. As we approach Pentecost we pray for a fresh and powerful outpouring of the Holy Spirit on the Church, on the world, on our country, on our parish communities, and on each one of us. May the Spirit fill the hearts and minds of deacons, seminarians, and all those discerning a vocation to the diocesan priesthood, and may many more hear and follow the call to serve the Church as priests. COME, HOLY SPIRIT.

**PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK**

Vocations Society of St Joseph (Young Priests Society) invite you to Knock on Saturday 27th June for their annual pilgrimage. Anyone interested in travelling contact Kathleen on 0877963542 or the Parish Office 0749376114.

**THE SISTERS FROM THE APOSTLES OF THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS**

Based in Waterford, will lead a ladies weekend retreat in the Carmelite Retreat Centre, Termonbacca, Derry, entitled 'In the Upper Room with Mary', from Friday 22nd- Sunday 24th May, Pentecost weekend. The cost of the weekend including accommodation is £90. For booking and queries call Aoife on 02871262512 or email termonbaccaderry@ocd.ie

**NOWDOC** 6pm Friday—8am Monday—Call 0818400911

**FC DEVELOPMENT DRAW**

This year's draw takes place on Sat 20th June. There is a total prize fund of €40,000. With this year being a special anniversary year for our club we have bumped up the 1st prize to a whopping €20,000, 2nd €7,500, 3rd €5,000, 4th €2,500, with other valuable cash prizes. Admission for 2 people on each ticket to the draw which takes place in the Ballyliffin Lodge & Spa. Music by Jack Keogh and Band. Tickets on sale and are available from committee members or alternatively purchased online (Facebook: Rashenny Football Club).

**CLONMANY SHAMROCKS**

Lotto Numbers: 30/04/2026—18,21,31,32. No jackpot winner €20 Prizes went to: Oisín Hession, Roxtown; Annie Bradley, Urris; Frances Maher, Urris. Next draw on Thurs May 7—jackpot €15,000 The deadline for physical Lotto envelopes for each weeks draw is Tuesday @ 6pm. Lotto envelopes entered after this are entered into the following week's draw. Online entries can still be entered up to 7pm on the day of the draw. Online entries after this time are automatically entered into the following week's draw. Online link to Club Profile on Klubfunder <https://hub.klubfunder.com/> Tickets available for collection & return in Centra & Mac Tams. Results: Sunday 03/05/26; Div Two A Clonmany Res 3 QPS Yth 3 Fixtures: Tuesday 05/05/26: Div Two A: Clonmany Res 4 Illies Res 1 Fixtures: Sunday 10/05/26: Div One / Two Playoff . Clonmany Res v Cockhill Celtic Res at 11am in Maginn Pk. Adm=€5

**SLIABH SNEACHT CENTRE**

Walkers will meet on Fri 15<sup>th</sup> May at Ballyliffin car park at 10am. Fakeaway, Cooking Class beginning Wed 13<sup>th</sup> May from 7-9pm Cost €60pp—places still available, contact the centre: 0749361742

**SWILLY GARDENING CLUB**

Our next Meeting will take place on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> May at 8.00pm in Bunrana Youth Club (Boy's Club) F93 HW6K. Guest Speaker is Pauline Bryce Johnson from the Co-Op Garden Centre, Bunrana, who will give a talk from growing vegetables, sowing seeds and planting up Summer pots. There will be a raffle on the night with a chance to win some plants. New Members welcome. Any queries contact Anne by text on 087 9560134.

**CHILD SAFEGUARDING POLICY STATEMENT**

Details of personnel to contact if you are concerned about the welfare and safety of children.

Designated Liaison Person: Ms Marie Gormley

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**SOMETHING TO THINK AND PRAY ABOUT THIS WEEK**

The Man With the Leaky Bucket

Don't write someone off because they don't come up to the mark in your eyes. They have value in the eyes of God, 'for everything created by God is good, and nothing is to be rejected if it is received with thanksgiving' (1 Timothy 4:4).

There is a story in Chinese culture about a man with a leaky bucket. It goes like this.

There was a man who carried two buckets, one on either side of him, balanced on a pole over his shoulders. Every day, he went to the well and filled the two buckets with fresh water. On his arrival home, one bucket was full, and the other bucket was half full. The full bucket was smug and proud of itself. The half-full bucket was anxiously apologising because it was leaking. 'Don't worry, don't worry,' said the man. 'Have you not noticed the beautiful wild flowers growing on your side of the road as we walk back home? You have been watering them every day as the water leaked from your bucket.'

**WE REMEMBER AT THIS TIME...**

We welcome the longer, brighter days as we move into summer in the Northern Hemisphere. The month of May brings much-needed light to lift our spirits after the long, dark nights of winter and early spring. We notice new life is blossoming in our gardens and parks, and simple joys like squirrels darting up trees and foxes playing nearby.

May is the month we dedicate to Mary, our Mother. We sense her gentle presence, close to us, just as she was to her son, Jesus, while he was growing up.

Lord, grant us a deeper understanding of Mary's loving care. We turn to her for comfort and allow her to guide us towards you, especially when we feel alone or in need of support.

