

# Glenamaddy Parish Newsletter

*A Happy and Holy  
Christmas to all our  
parishioners,  
at home and  
abroad.  
Blessings*

Sat 19th/Sun 20th December 2009  
4th Sunday of Advent—Year C

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## Welcome:

For our Christmas ceremonies please extend a special word of welcome to those who may not be regular attenders at church—we would love it if they felt at home in celebrating Christmas with us.

Masses: Christmas Eve 9.30pm  
Christmas Day 10am

**Saturday 19th - Sunday 20th**

Sat 7pm	Frank Fahy—1st anniv
Sun 10am	Martin & Mary Geraghty, Cashel

## **Week-Day Masses:**

Mon. 7pm	Marcella Maguire
Tues 11am	Mass—Primary Schools
Wed. 7pm	Tom McLoughlin—Month's Mind
Thurs 9.30pm	Mary, Patrick & Mike Connolly, Boyounagh
Fri. 10am	The people of the parish
Sat. 12 noon	Michael & Eileen Mitchell, Cloonlara & Raymond Moran

**Saturday 26th - Sunday 27th**

Sat 7pm	The people of the parish
Sun 10am	Martin & Kathleen Conneally, Woodfield

Please pray for Nellie Collins, Meelick; Bernadette Giblin, Manchester (daughter of Martin Giblin) & Bill Mannion, Birmingham (formerly Ballinagrally) who died during the week. Also, John Naughton, Kilkerrin, brother of Kathleen McDermott, The Square, who died recently

**Confessions on Thursday, Christmas  
Eve from 12 noon-1pm**

## Flood Relief

The special collection for flood relief came to €3598. The normal Sunday collection on the day was €1290. A cheque for €4888 was forwarded to St. Vincent de Paul Relief Fund, Ballinasloe Credit Union. I'm sure many people will be thankful for your generosity.

## **Next Sunday's Readings**

Feast of the Holy Family  
1st Reading: 1 Sm 1:20-22, 24-28  
2nd Reading: Jn 3:1-2, 21-24  
Gospel: Lk 2:41-52

## **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**

every Monday 7am-12 noon & 6pm-10pm. All  
welcome

**Church Income last week-end:** Envelopes: €740; Baskets: €223; Shrines, papers, ads.: €191; Retired/Sick priests collection: €230

## **Glenamaddy Bingo:**

On Wednesday night in the Community Centre at 8.30pm. €1,150 in prize money including €500 Jackpot on 48 calls or less.

## **Community Clubs' Lotto:**

No Jackpot winner in last Wednesday's draw; numbers drawn were: 1-3-14-23. 3 Match 3s and share €100. Next Wednesday's Lotto Jackpot will be  
**€16,000**

Life is not about waiting for the storm to pass ...  
Its about learning how to dance in the rain ...

## Communion Calls

All the usual communion call will be done on **Wednesday**. If anyone is housebound and would like to receive communion for Christmas—please let me know.

**Christmas Decorating:** The church will be decorated for Christmas today Sunday 20th at **3pm**. We invite people to come along and help with the decorating and putting up of the crib.

**Glenamaddy GAA Notes:** Presentation of U12 & U14 medals, will take place, today Sunday 20th @6pm in the Community Centre. All are welcome. Parents of underage players please attend.

**Wondering what to buy for Christmas,** why not purchase an annual lotto ticket. Tickets cost €90 for the year but can be paid in instalments. Please contact Kevin Duffy or any club officer for more details.

Congratulations to Tomas Giblin and Susie Fannon on their recent marriage. Best wishes to all our club players, members and supporters and their families for a happy and peaceful Christmas and New Year.

## **Glenamaddy I.F.A**

Glenamaddy IFA is arranging to deliver a lorry load of silage bales to farmers in the Athlone area whose fodder was damaged in the recent floods. Any farmers interested in contributing please contact any of the following numbers 0872204450, 0872533028, 0862532304.

Drop off point for collection of bales - Paddy Keaveney's yard Ballymoe Rd.

**The Christmas collection** for the priest's salary will be taken up at the Christmas Masses

**The DVD of "The History of Glenamaddy Church"**. If you wish to give one as a present for Christmas—**order now** while stocks last, in Donnie Keaveney's or the Sacristy. Price: €20.



**Solas Magazine**

Due to circumstances beyond our control we have been unable to print our Christmas edition of the magazine. We are however hoping that with all going well we will be in a position to start printing on Monday afternoon at the latest. We do apologise once again to the local shops that sell them for us every time and to our customers whom we could not do without.

**St Joseph's N.S. Parents Association**

We are holding our Church Gate Collection next weekend Saturday 26th and Sunday 27th December. Your support has been much appreciated in 2009 and would ask you to support us again this weekend.  
Wishing you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year  
St Joseph's N.S. Parents Association Committee.

**Come Lord Jesus,  
Come Lord Jesus,  
Come Lord Jesus  
Come and be born in our hearts.**

**Our hearts are broken  
Our hearts are broken  
Our hearts are broken  
Come and be born in our hearts.**

**Come O Prince of Peace  
Come O prince of Peace  
Come O Prince of Peace  
Come and be born in our Hearts.**

**Son of Mary  
Son of Mary  
Son of Mary  
Come and be born in our hearts.**

**Light our Way  
Light our way as we journey in the darkness  
Light our Way  
Light our way; gift us with hope for our world.**

**Divilly's Bar & Lounge**

Sat.19th: The Inspectors (in bar)  
Wed 23rd: Christmas Party—DJ Vinnie (in bar)  
Sat.26th: DJ Vinnie Gilhooley (in bar)  
Sun.27th: **Lisheen School Dance**—  
Donna & Jeff in Lounge  
**Wishing all our customers a happy Christmas**



**Meehans Londis**

**Church St. 094.9659081**

Londis Ham Fillets 2kg 1/2 price  
Eye of the Round roast 33% off  
10kg Washed Roosters €2.99  
Midwest Radio new CD **"20 Most Requested Songs"** on sale here



Wines/Beers/Spirits .....all prices slashed  
**Wishing all our customers a very Happy Christmas and Bright New Year**

**Oakland Hotel**

**094.9659065**

Sat.19th: Music by Owen McDermott  
Sunday: **Afternoon Tea Dance** 3-6pm with J & S Sound in Aid of local flood victims.  
Wed. 23rd: Party Night Music with **Country John**  
St. Stephen's Day: music 3-7pm with Country John.  
St. Stephen's night: Dancing at the Ritz. Doors open 11pm  
Wishing all a happy & holy Christmas.



**Harte's Corner House**

Phone: 094-9659086/ 094-9659368

Sat.19th: **Magner Sound**  
Sun.20th: **The Mac Live**



**McDermott's Bar, The Square**

Tel. 094.9659037

**Dec.26th: St. Stephen's Night: 'Hillside Duo'**

**W. Mannions Bar & Live Music Venue**

Phone: 094-9659004

Dec.24th: A Christmas Carol with drinks around the open fire  
Sat.26th: Big GAA party evening—fun, games & ceol. Guess the mystery lady?  
Sun.27th: The Brothers D.  
Mon.28th: Pool comp. For cash prizes 8pm  
Tues.29th: Big fancy dress in aid of children of Chernobyl. Spot prizes & prizes for the most unusual dress. Music: DJ Shaun  
Thurs 31st: New Year's Eve party. Ring in 2010 with hats, masks etc. Music: DJ Gary  
Sat.2nd: Party night with DJ Shaun  
**Willie, Caroline & all the Mannions wish all our customers & friends a very happy Christmas.**

Book **"Humorous Quotations, Poems & Quotes"** on sale from Divine Word Missionaries, Donamon. Price: €11 to include P & P.

**Congratulations** to Tomás Giblin, Cashel & Susan Fannon, Glinsk on the occasion of their marriage.

**Glenamaddy Community Development Company** office will close on Wed 23rd Dec. for Christmas Holidays & will re-open on Mon 4th January.