

# Glenamaddy Parish Newsletter

Sat 9th/Sun 10th Januray 2010  
Feast of the Baptism of Our Lord— Year C

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*Please Don't Litter Our Town*

## Saturday 9th-Sunday 10th

Sat 7pm The people of the parish

Sun 10am Eilís Haslam, Stonetown

## Week-Day Masses:

Mon. 7pm Tommy & Mary Connelly,  
Lisheen

Tues 9.30am Bridgie & Eddie McGuinness,  
Middletown

Wed. 7pm Mass

Thurs 9.30am Mass

Fri. 7pm Stephen Trayers,  
Cornspeake

## Saturday 16th-Sunday 17th

Sat 7pm Nellie Collins—Month's Mind

Sun 10am The people of the parish

Please pray for Margaret Keaveny, Mountkelly  
and Pat & Mary Ward, Lisheen whose  
anniversaries occurs at this time

### Glenamaddy Bridge Club

Due to weather conditions there will be no  
bridge on Monday 11th January. The club  
will **now re-open for the new season on  
Monday January 18th at 7.45pm** in the  
Community Centre. New members wel-  
come.

### **Next Sunday's Readings**

2nd Sunday of the year  
1st Reading: Is 62:1-5  
2nd Reading: 1 Cor 12:4-11  
Gospel: Jn 2:1-11

**No Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**  
this Monday due to the weather

**Church Income last week-end:** Envelopes: €910; Baskets: €446; Shrines,  
papers, ads.: €97; Trócaire (Crib): €47

### **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: 4-16-  
17-28. 2 Match 3s and share €100. Next Wednesday's Lotto Jackpot will  
be **€16,600**

**Divine Mercy devotions** every Friday at 3pm in Glenamaddy Church.

**Glenamaddy Community School Parent's Association** would like to  
**thank** everyone who contributed so generously to the church gate col-  
lection recently which came to €660

**We welcome** Ella Higgins, Cloonlara North into the Christian com-  
munity and congratulate her parents Patricia and Michael

### Prayer of a Questioning Heart

It seems to me Lord  
that we search  
much too desperately  
for answers  
when a good question  
holds as much grace  
as an answer

Jesus  
you are the Great Questioner  
Keep our questions alive  
that we may always be seekers  
rather than settlers.

Guard us well  
from the sin of settling in  
with our answers  
hugged to our breasts.

Make of us  
a wondering  
far-sighted  
questioning  
restless people  
And give us the feet of pilgrims  
on this journey unfinished.

### **Glenamaddy Credit Union Opening Hours**

The Glenamaddy office will be open through lunch

Mon-Thur. 10am - 4pm

Friday 10am - 8pm

Saturday 7.30pm-8.30pm

#### **Williamstown Office**

Mon. Tues & Fri: 10am - 12 noon

Sat. 8.30pm-9.15pm

#### **Glinsk Office**

Tuesday 10am-12 noon

Sunday 11am-12.30pm



### **Meehans Londis**

Church St. 094.9659081

Large Fresh Chickens .. Only €4.99

Sharwoods Sauces .. Buy 1 get 1 free.

Goodfellas Delicia Pizza .. Only €2.00

May Flower Curry Sauces .. Now only 69c

McDonnells Super Noodles .. Buy 1 get 1 free.

Utterly Butterly .. Now only 99c

### **Vocations Workshop**

A vocations weekend will be held for anyone considering diocesan priesthood in Tuam, Galway, Clonfert on the weekend of February 19/20/21. Information from the diocesan office at 093-24166.

### **A Blessing for the Elements**

O God our Father

We praise and bless you

For or the water that falls from the skies above

To dance on the earth below,

For the chattering of streams,

The grumbling sounds of rivers over stones,

The long slow silence of the lakes,

The rhythmic heartswell of the seas.

Water is the life blood of the land,

And through it, these our children came to life.

O god our Father,

We praise and bless you

For the dome of air that wraps our earth around,

The cool of summer breeze that lifts the leaves,

The wind that keens and sighs for summer skies;

In dark September chimney cowl it cries

Singing its sad lament in high stretched wires,

The soft lament of sky-borne phantom choirs,

The air is breath to every living thing.

Our children breathe your Spirit and they sing ...

O God our Father,

We praise and bless you

For sun's bright light and fire's burning glow

That warms the earth and brings all life to grow;

A pillar to your presence in the dark

We know, it warms the blood, the heart, the home,

And binds us circling closer to our kin.

The light is life to all that seek to grow,

and in your loving fire

Our children grow.

O God our Father,

We praise and bless you

For the living earth beneath our feet,

The fertile womb to every living seed,

Abundant giver of the food we need.

As seeds must die and fold themselves in clay

To rise as Christ on Resurrection Day,

So may our children grow from dark to light,

To bud, to flower and blossom in your sight.

Christy Kenneally

### **Sing and Sway! Diocesan Youth Gospel Choir**

Tuam Diocesan Youth Council is in the process of establishing a Gospel Choir. The choir, made up of young people from the ages of 16-23, will have monthly rehearsals and will sing at diocesan youth events. The Choir will also serve as a resource for local/cluster youth initiatives. The Musical Director of the choir is Brendan Mc Guinness, a third year Music and Theology student from Knock. Can you sing and sway at the same time? Join us in the Prayer Guidance Centre, Knock on Saturday January 29th from 3-5pm.

### **Camino de Santiago de Compostela**

**Third Level Students!** Tuam DYC is organising a Third Level pilgrimage along the Way of St James, the *Camino de Santiago de Compostela*, in Northern Spain in late May. If you would like to join us or just to learn more about our plans please come along for some pizza to the Common Room, The College Chapel, NUIG on Monday January 18th at 6.30pm. All welcome!

A new course of **exercise classes** will commence in Glenamaddy Community Centre on Monday January 11th & in Kilkerrin on Wed. 13th at 8.30pm. Beginners welcome. Contact Valerie 087.9718911

**Tuam Toastmasters** Public Open Night on Wednesday 13th January at 8.30pm in the Árd Rí House Hotel, Tuam. Improve your confidence in public speaking and develop your leadership skills. Contact Dermot: (087) 9400518.

### **Study Theology from Home!**

The Dominicans are offering a theology programme specifically for lay people, offered by distant learning. This means that one can study for a certificate, diploma or degree in theology, and even more importantly, become more educated in the Faith, all from the comfort of home.

For further information, please contact The Priory Institute, Tallaght Village, Dublin 24. Tel: (01) 4048124/7. or email [enquiries@prioryinstitute.com](mailto:enquiries@prioryinstitute.com). Visit our website [www.prioryinstitute.com](http://www.prioryinstitute.com)