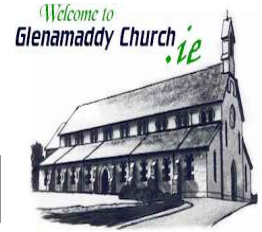


# Glenamaddy Parish Newsletter



Third Sunday of Advent  
Saturday 10th/Sunday 11th December 2016



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## Saturday 10th December

Sat 7pm Sean Comer, Stonetown —1st anniv.  
Mary Brennan O'Donnell, Boyounagh.  
Luke & Bridget Conneally,  
Boyounagh sons Tom & Michael &  
daughters Mary & Sara.  
Mary & John Burke, Fartown,  
daughters Mary, Imelda grand  
daughter Michelle, son-in-law Paddy  
& decd Burke & Meehan families.  
Paddy Long, Lisheen.

## Weekdays

Tues 7pm Decd Mannion & Patterson families  
Thurs 12 noon Mass in the Daycare Centre  
WILLIAMSTOWN Wed & Friday @ 9.30am

## Saturday 17th December

Sat 7pm Frank Fahy, Scotland.  
Thomas & Mary Higgins, Kilcroan,  
sons Tom, Paddy, & daughter  
Eileen.  
Richard & Lily Dockery parents  
John & Mary G & John & Eileen  
Brennan.  
Mick Brennan, Boyounagh.

Help us to see God's smile  
in the face of a child  
Give us a new heart  
so that we may receive the divine Child,  
understand his message  
And bear it in our everyday lives  
Give us the strength to accompany the Lord  
throughout the weeks ahead and to follow in  
his footsteps

### Next Sunday's Readings

1st Reading— Is 7:10-14  
2nd Reading— Rm 1:1-7  
Gospel— Mt 1:18-24



## MASSES AND PRIESTS IN OUR CLUSTER AREA OF GLENAMADDY

Saturday	Glenamaddy	7.00pm
	Kiltevena	7.30pm
	Clonberne	8pm
Sunday	Garrafrauns	10.00am
	Williamstown	10.30am
	Kilkerrin	11am
	Dunmore	11.30am

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**PARISH BAPTISMAL DATES:** Saturday 14th January @ 4pm. Sunday 12th February @ 12 noon. Saturday 11th March @ 4pm. Attendance at a Baptism meeting by the parents is necessary and these meetings will take place the Wednesday before the Baptism. Also a copy of your child's Birth Certificate is required and two weeks notice. To book your child's Baptism please phone (087) 2805241.

**CHURCH INCOME LAST WEEKEND** €1,082.

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL, GLENAMADDY** helpline (086) 8364866.

**GLENAMADDY BETHANY BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP** is a parish based group ministry whose aim is to help those bereaved and grieving. If at any time you feel a need to talk we are here to listen. Our contact number is (087) 6663734.

**Adoration** every Monday 9am-12 noon & 6pm-10pm (except Bank Holidays)

**Divine Mercy Devotions** at 3pm every Friday.

**Padre Pio Devotions** 2nd Wednesday of the month at 7.30pm.

**Marriage and Family Life** Adoration 2nd day of each month 7pm-8pm.

**Our Lady of Fatima Prayer Service** 1st Saturday of the month at 11am.

## The Importance of Friendship

As the season of peace and goodwill approaches we might just reflect on the value of our friendships. Yes we will send cards or buy presents but are they sincere gestures? Do we take our friends for granted? Is my hand of friendship one reaching out 'to give' or 'to receive'? Perhaps our best gift would be that of 'genuineness' and making an opportunity to demonstrate it. The English word 'friend' comes from the Anglo-Saxon meaning 'to love'. Friendship was highly valued in the ancient world.



Decorating of our Church will take place this

Sunday 11th December at 3pm.

'Many hands make light work'.

Please come along.

**CONFESSIONS** immediately after Mass this evening.

**WELCOME** to our children who will be making their First Holy Communion to this 'Do this in Memory Mass' this evening.

**USED STAMPS** a lot coming into every house at this time of the year. Please put all your used stamps into the box in the church porch. We send these to the Missions.

**MASS TIMES** for Christmas Eve: 8pm Glenamaddy, 9.30pm Williamstown. Christmas Day 9.45am Glenamaddy & 11am Williamstown. 2017 Mass will be in Glenamaddy church at 10.30am on Sunday morning starting on 8th January and 7pm Williamstown on Saturday starting on the 7th January.

**BAMBINELLI SUNDAY** St Patrick's Church, Glenamaddy will be the setting for a special 'Bambinelli Sunday' next Saturday evening. Adopting a tradition from Italy in which people bring the Baby Jesus figure, their Bambinelli - from their homes to receive a blessing from the Pope on the Third Sunday in Advent, we are inviting people to bring their figures to Glenamaddy Church for the December 17th Mass at 7pm during which they will be blessed. **Blessing:** It's suggested that following the blessing, that people take their Bambinelli home and place it in a gift box, wrap it and save it for Christmas. Let this be the first gift your family opens at Christmas, when together you place your Baby Jesus figure in the crib and have a home blessing of the Nativity for your whole family.

**DEFENDING** the 8th Amendment: The Citizens Assembly is put in place to consider topics of national importance. The outcome will be reported to the Oireachtas for their attention. The major topic is to consider the 8th Amendment to the Irish Constitution, particularly Article 40.3.3. which guarantees equal right to the life of the mother and child. Abortion is a very sensitive subject and the destruction of the child in the womb leaves the mother grieving for her child. The Assembly will be given expert advice on it and we as citizens or representatives of organizations are invited to submit our views on this topic and this will form "the work program for the debate". Submissions must be made by the 16th of December and posted to The Citizens Assembly, 16 Parnell Sq., Dublin 1 or online at [www.citizensassembly.ie](http://www.citizensassembly.ie).

**LISHEEN NS CARD GAME** on December 14th. Enjoy a sandwich and a cuppa. Complimentary ticket to each player on the night for Lisheen Party Nite on December 23rd in Divillys. Happy Christmas.

**GLENAMADDY BINGO** on Wednesday nights in the Community Centre at 8.30pm. €1,200 in prize money including €500 jackpot.

**PARISH OFFICE** open on Mondays and Fridays 10am-12pm. Please use the office during these hours to book Masses, Baptisms, Weddings or all general enquiries and to enquire about records. Please telephone (094) 9659017 or email [newsletter@glenamaddychurch.ie](mailto:newsletter@glenamaddychurch.ie). Deadline for newsletter 10am on Friday mornings. Mass cards available during office hours.

**JUNIOR CHOIR** practice this Monday from 5pm-6pm in the Church.

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY** every Saturday evening during 7pm Mass for all children from Junior, Senior and First classes.

**YOUTH SINGERS & MUSICIANS** practice this Wednesday 12th from 6pm-8pm in the Church. If new members from the secondary school would like to join please come along and bring your instruments.

**GLENAMADDY CLUBS' LOTTO** No jackpot winner in last Wednesday's draw, numbers drawn were 15,16,21,30. 5 matched 3 numbers and share €100. Next Wed's Lotto Jackpot will be €8,400.

**DON'T BE LONELY THIS CHRISTMAS** Senior Help Line, will be open every day over Christmas and the New Year from 10am to 10pm. We are here to take your call if you are on your own, feeling isolated, worried or would like someone to talk to. LoCall 1850 440 444, no call costs more than 30 cents. All calls completely confidential.

**LGFA AGM** was held last Saturday. Election of officers: Chairperson: Peter Keaveney, Vice Chairperson, Liz Collins, Secretary Mary Fahy, Assistant Secretary Mary Davis, Treasurer/Registrar Nicola Conneely, Assistant Treasurer Martina Ruane, C.W.O. Mary Gannon. Development Officer Tina Caulfield, P.R.O. Peter & Gail Clarke. The Club Social will be held in the Ard Ri Hotel on Jan 14<sup>th</sup> further details later. Cash for Clobber ongoing.

**GENTS GAA** A big thank you to everyone who supported our Pot Luck fundraiser. Well done to the prize winners, 1st Cliona Dillon, 2nd Cian Darcy, 3rd Aaron Hynes, 4th to 8th Anne Donnellan, Micheal Heneghan, Jay McLoughlin, Noreen Collins and Cormac Haslam. The club would like to congratulate Marian Lavin and John Donlon on the occasion of their marriage. Best of luck to everyone involved in Oliver the Musical this weekend. Glenamaddy GAA AGM takes place on Sunday December 18th at 6pm in the Club meeting room. Lotto Reps for December Micheal Curtin, Micheal Geraghty and Noel Brogan.

**MEEHANS LONDIS PLUS**

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- Maxwell House 100G..... €2.00
- Lyons Teabags 160s ..... €5.00
- Kerrygold 454g .....€2.50
- Gem Sugar .....€1.00
- Kelloggs Cornflakes 500g.. €2.00
- Londis Mince Pies.....€1.50

**MOLLOY'S FRUIT & VEGETABLES**

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Orders now being taken for:

Christmas trees (Non shedding)

Christmas Wreaths

Fruit Baskets

Wishing all our customers a

Happy Christmas.

