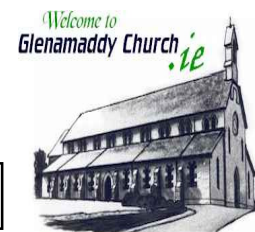


# Glenamaddy Parish Newsletter



Third Sunday of Advent  
Sunday 16th December 2018



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## Saturday 15th December

7pm Mai Connolly, Shannagh—Month's Mind.  
Tess Raftery (nee Coyne), Classaroe, husband Luke, Parkroe & decd Raftery & Coyne families.  
Tom Conneally, Boyounagh parents Luke & Delia & decd Conneally & Heneghan families.  
Frank Fahy, Scotland & grandparents Martin & Peggy Duane, Ballinlass.  
Thomas & Mary Higgins, Kilcornan, sons Tom & Paddy & daughter Eileen.  
Thomas & Bridget Collins & decd., Shannagh.  
John Feeney & decd O'Reilly family, Boyounagh Bridge.  
Mick Brennan & decd Brennan family, Boyounagh.  
Michael & Sally O'Brien, Knickanes & Evelyn Brennan.

## Weekdays

Tues 7pm Private intention  
Thurs 9.30am Primary Schools Christmas Mass Marcella Maguire  
WILLIAMSTOWN Wednesday & Friday @ 9.30am

## Saturday 22nd December

7pm Sean Comer & decd Comer & Murphy families, Stonetown.  
Tom Cruise & decd., Clooncun.

**Please pray for** Teresa Fitzgerald (nee Glynn) sister of the late John Glynn, Leitra who died recently.

### Next Sunday's Readings

1st Reading—Micah 5:1-4  
2nd Reading—Hebrews 10:5-10  
Gospel—Luke 1:39-45



## 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:** 2019: Sunday 13th January @ 12 noon. Saturday 9th February @ 4pm, Sunday 10th March @ 12 noon. 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 €1515**

**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-12noon & 6pm-10pm (except Bank Holidays) in Convent  
**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.



*If you look for me at Christmas*

*...you won't need a special star -*

*I'm no longer just in Bethlehem,*

*I'm right there where you are.*

*You may not be aware of me*

*amid the celebrations -*

*You'll have to look beyond the stores  
and all the decorations.*

*But if you take a moment*

*from your list of things to do*

*And listen to your heart, you'll find*

*I'm waiting there for you.*

*You're the one I want to be with,*

*you're the reason that I came,*

*And you'll find me in the stillness*

*As I'm whispering your name.*

*Love,*

*Jesus*

**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. Deadline for newsletter 10am on Friday mornings. Mass cards available during office hours.

**NOW IN STOCK** during office hours Christmas bouquet cards, birthday cards and Mass bouquet cards.

**CHOIR PRACTICES:** JUNIOR 5pm-6pm on Monday:  
SENIOR 7.30pm-8.30pm on Tuesday in Church.

**WE WELCOME** into the Christian community Amy Leigh Walsh, Ardeevin and congratulate her parents Olivia & Tiernan.

**MASS TIMES** Christmas Eve: 7pm Glenamaddy & 8.30pm Williamstown: Christmas Day: 9.45am Glenamaddy & 11am Williamstown.

**CONFESSIONS** after Mass next Saturday evening.

**BAMBELLINI SUNDAY** next Saturday evening please bring along the figure of the baby Jesus for a blessing.

**'CHESTNUTS ROASTING ON AN OPEN FIRE'** A Festive Fusion of Music, Song and Christmas Cheer on Thursday the 20th December at 7pm in the GP Area at Glenamaddy Community School. No booking necessary, charge on the night at the door, €5 for adults and €2 for children and there will be complimentary refreshments of mulled wine, hot chocolate and mince pies on the night.

**OLD TECH** We wish to thank everyone who supported all our training courses throughout the year. A special word of thanks to all the ladies who came out every Thursday morning to our most recent Cookery Course with some very decorative Christmas cakes been created. Looking forward to more of the same in 2019. Wishing you all a very Happy Christmas and Peaceful New Year.

**GLENAMADDY CS GY** is now closed for the year. Thanks to all the patrons who supported the facility and a Merry Christmas and a healthy new year to all.

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

**GLENAMADDY CLUBS' LOTTO** No jackpot winner in last Wednesday's draw, numbers drawn were 14,15,27,28. 1 matched 3 numbers and won €100. Next Wed's Lotto Jackpot will be €9,100.

**GORTNALEAM** Christmas "Progressive 25" Card Game will take place in Gortnaleam N. S. on Wed 19 Dec at 8:30pm.



Our 'Parish Family Giving Tree' is located at the Baptismal Font area of our Church. Please leave your unwanted gifts under this tree. All gifts will be given to the Galway Simon Community.



## Family Carol Service

SUNDAY 16 DECEMBER | 7.00pm

Tomorrow Sunday at 10am we are meeting to decorate our church for Christmas. Everyone welcome, especially new faces.



**PRIEST'S COLLECTION** will be taken up at all Masses Christmas Eve and Christmas Day.

**GENTS GAA** Club AGM takes place tomorrow Sunday at 3pm in the meeting room.

**ST. STEPHEN'S DAY** Half Tochar Phádraig Pilgrim Walk from Ballintubber Abbey to Aughagower take place on 26<sup>th</sup> December departing the Abbey at 11am. A unique Pilgrim Journey with a difference. To walk in the footsteps of St Patrick along the once royal Chariot Road. A backup car will accompany all the walkers to the end. Contact Ballintubber Abbey Office 094 9030934.

**WESTERN ALZHEIMERS** Fundraising Nollaig na mBan Ladies Luncheon, The Lodge at Ashford Castle, Cong, Sunday, 6th January, 2019 @ 1pm. Drinks reception & The Mulberry String Quartet, 3 Course Sunday Lunch, Special Guests. Fab raffle prizes to be won. Tickets must be purchased in advance. Phone 094 93 64900.

### THE CHRISTMAS TEN COMMANDMENTS

1. Thou shalt give thy heart to Christ. Let Him be at the top of thy Christmas list.
2. Thou shalt prepare thy soul for Christmas. Spend not so much on gifts that thy soul is forgotten.
3. Thou shalt not let Santa Claus replace Christ, thus robbing the day of its spiritual reality.
4. Thou shalt not burden the shop girl, the mailman, and the merchant with complaints and demands.
5. Thou shalt give thyself with thy gift. This will increase its value a hundred fold, and he who receiveth it shall treasure it forever.
6. Thou shalt not value gifts received by their cost. Even the least expensive. may signify love, and that is more priceless than silver and gold.
7. Thou shalt not neglect the needy. Share thy blessings with many who will go hungry and cold unless thou are generous
8. Thou shalt not neglect thy church. Its services highlight the true meaning of the season.
9. Thou shalt be as a little child. Not until thou has become in spirit as a little one art thou ready to enter into the kingdom of Heaven.
10. Thou shall not forget to share your joy, hope, peace and faith with those around you.