

# Glenamaddy Parish Newsletter



3rd January 2021  
2nd Sunday of Christmas

Church Radio  
106.4 FM



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## Sunday 3rd January

7pm Mary Gannon—1<sup>st</sup> anniv and her husband John, Middletown Martin Keaveny—1<sup>st</sup> anniv & decd Coyne & Keaveny families, Esker.  
Des & Ann O'Mahoney, Cork.  
Tommy Kilmartin parents Michael & Margaret & decd Hussey, Kilmartin & Finn families, Shannagh.  
Carmel Mannion, Lisheen.  
Margaret Keaveny, James & Gary Keaveny, Bill & Kathleen Keaveny & Maeve Walsh, Church Street.  
John & Delia Curtin, Classaroe & Birmingham  
Rose & Michael Halloran, Ballymoe Road.

## Weekdays

Tues 10am Michael & Kathleen O'Connor, Mike & Nellie Mitchell, Bea & Bernard Basset, Michael Morgan & decd Morgan family, Croaghill.  
Friday 10am Private intention.

## Sunday 10th January

10.30am Peter Forde, Ballyhard—1<sup>st</sup> anniv. parents Eileen & Robert & decd Forde & Raftery families.  
Eileen Mannion, Lisheen.

**Please pray for** May Regan, Ballaghaderreen sister in law of Bartley Regan, Cloonacross who died recently.

## MASSES AND PRIESTS IN OUR CLUSTER AREA OF GLENAMADDY

Saturday	Glenamaddy	7.00pm
	Kiltevena	7.30pm
	Clonberne	7.30pm
Sunday	Garrafrauns	10am
	Williamstown	10.30am
	Kilkerrin	11am
	Dunmore	11.30am

Fr. Eugene O'Boyle (094) 9643774  
Fr. Fergal Cunnane (093) 38124  
Fr. Tommie Commins (094) 9659212

**PARISH BAPTISMAL DATES:** Saturday 9th January @ 4pm, Sunday 14th February @ 12 noon. Baptisms are restricted to Parents, Siblings, and Godparents. A copy of your child's Birth Certificate is required and two weeks notice. To book your child's Baptism please phone (094) 9659962.

## CHURCH INCOME LAST WEEKEND:

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL, DUNMORE** helpline (086) 4169828

**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.

## FAMILY GIVING TREE

is on display in our church.

Please leave all of your unwanted Christmas gifts under the tree.

They will be given to Galway Simon Community at the end of the week. Thanks very much to all those who have already donated.



**PARISH OFFICE** will re-open on next Friday 8th January. However due to Level 5 restrictions it will be operating behind closed doors. Parishioners who wish to book Masses, require Mass cards or have any other query are asked to please ring the office (094) 9659962 between 10am-12 noon and arrangements will be made.

### **NEW YEAR MESSAGE**

As we reflect on the passing of 2020 each one of us will remember the year with mixed emotions. Some families were given the opportunity to spend more time together, more suffered separation from loved ones due to travel restrictions, families had to suffer the bereavement of a loved one and had funerals with limited numbers and some had the anxiety of ill health, financial and relationship hardships, Leaving Cert, wedding plans, birthday celebrations, holidays, retirements, First Communions all having to be celebrated differently, postponed or put on hold. However, we also saw the best of our communities during this time with the establishment of a local Covid Support Group offering help where it was needed.

Unfortunately, we now have to start 2021 under level 5 restrictions but with the development of vaccines, we can be optimistic that slowly life will return to what we knew before. This won't happen overnight, so we have to continue to adhere to guidelines and keep each other safe. Please continue to sanitize, wear a mask, stay at least two metres apart and if you experience any covid like symptoms please self isolate and phone your GP.

May God continue to bless each and everyone of you and your families.

For all that has been, we give thanks.

We look forward, for all that will be we say yes.

All time is God's time.

We let go of the past and we welcome what is to come.

And all the time we pray in the name of Jesus,  
who is the same yesterday, today and forever.

Amen.



We are now in Level 5, Masses will be celebrated behind closed doors and not open to a congregation. Please tune into local radio 106.5fm.

Weddings confined to 6 people: Funerals confined to 10 people: Baptisms confined to parents, Godparents and siblings.

**COMMUNION CALLS** are available on request. Please contact the Parish Office if you would like Fr Eugene to visit you.

**LOCAL LOTTO** will return when restrictions are lifted.

**COUNTERS FOR JANUARY** Mairead Hunt, Helen Giblin & Ann Conneally.

#### **At The Beginning Of A New Year**

Lord Jesus Christ,

Yesterday, today, forever, you consecrate time and space with your abiding presence.

Here, as we stand on the threshold of a new year, we ask that your loving presence may overflow into every area of our lives.

Make us a new creation;

Let nothing of the past be an obstacle to our journey with you to the Father's House.

Stay with us, Lord, on our journey and remind us often of your gentle, guiding hand.

You are the Lord of our lives now and forever.

Amen.

#### **Prayer for Epiphany**

Dear Jesus, though a new born, the wise men knew your greatness. On a hint from the heavens, they travelled far from their places of comfort so that they could honour you. From their belief in your divinity, they gave amazing gifts, offerings that symbolized your life, power, and even your death. And because of a dream in the night, they altered their well-laid plans to return home in order to protect you. May we be so willing to honour, sacrifice, and obey, all for love of you, as we meditate on the meaning of this feast. Amen

