

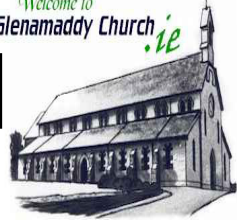
Glenamaddy Parish Newsletter



Third Sunday of Advent
11th December 2022

Church Radio
106.4 FM

Welcome to
Glenamaddy Church .ie



Fr. Eugene O'Boyle PP
Phone (094) 9643774

Saturday 10th December

7pm Sean Comer & decd Comer & Murphy families, Stonetown.
Tom Cruise & decd Cruise family, Clooncun.
Tom Conneally, Boyounagh, daughter in law Cathy & decd Conneally & Heneghan families.
Angela Maloney, O'Keeffe Pk.
Michael Clarke, St Brigid's Close.
John Feeney & decd O'Reilly family, Boyounagh Bridge.
Paddy Long & decd Long family, Lisheen.
Mary Geraghty, Cashel & decd Geraghty, family.
Bradley Mongan, Caherlistrane brother Martin, grandparents Martin & Bridget Mongan.

Weekdays

Tues 10am Tom & Mary Burke, Clondoyle.
Michael & Bridget Connolly & Jack Kelly & decd, Frass.
Martin & Mary Beckett, son James, Hollygrove.
Thomas & Winifred Mitchell, Ballyhard.
Luke & Mary Tully, Cloonminda & Ballymoe & their son Robert.

Fri 12 noon Mass for Dochás in church (all are welcome).

Saturday 17th December

7pm Miko & Tessie Walsh, Ardeevin son Seamus & daughter Nuala.
Thomas & Mary Higgins, Kilcornan, Tom, Paddy, Eileen, Kilkerrin, Tom Murray & Harry Murphy.
Frank Fahy, his mother Mary, Scotland & decd Duane & Fahy families.
Mary Donegan, O'Keeffe Park.
Aine Finnegan, Clooncun.
Tom Hussey, Fartown.
Peggy & Eamon Murray, Cloonkeen.
Mary & Michael O'Dwyer & Evelyn Connolly, Sixmilebridge.

MASSES in Williamstown this week- Thursday at 10am & Sunday 10.30am.

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 BAPTISMS: A copy of your child's Birth Certificate is required and two weeks notice. To book your child's Baptism please phone (094) 9659962 during office hours.

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.

ADORATION every Monday except Bank holidays in the Convent House Oratory. 9am-12 noon. 6pm-10pm.

A Different Kind of Christmas?

It's that time of year, Lord, when we do the things we always do in the ways we've always done them: we shop for gifts, send out cards, put up a Christmas tree, sing the old carols, hang wreaths on our doors, write letters to Santa, and wait for it all to be over...

But Christmas is all about something different, something new, mercy in - old grudges out, all things changing, transformation, Emmanuel, God-with-us to bring us great good news... we have many reasons to rejoice.

This Christmas, Lord, draw us beyond the customs and traditions draw us to something different, something new, something changing, something leading us to be transformed by grace into children of your love, blessed with hope that in your birth all things shall be new and all things shall be well...

This Christmas, Lord, change our old ways, change our souls, change the way we live our life, transform our thoughts, ideas and dreams, expand our hearts to exclude no one make new our hopes and trust in you until we are reborn again - this Christmas, change us Lord. Amen.

PARISH OFFICE is open to the public. Parishioners who wish to book Masses, require Mass cards or have any other query are asked to please call or phone the office (094) 9659962 between 10am-12 noon Monday, Tuesday or Friday. Queries by email can be sent to glenamaddychurch@gmail.com. Notices for newsletter can be emailed to newsletter@glenamaddychurch.ie. Deadline for notices is 10am on Friday morning.

PLEASE PRAY FOR Bridgie Smith, USA formerly Connelly from Loughpark sister of the late Dan Connelly Loughpark & Mary Tully, Cloonminda who died during the week.

FAMILY GIVING TREE is on display in our church. Please leave all of your unwanted gifts under the tree and they will be given to Galway Simon Community in early January.

LISHEEN NS CARD GAME Christmas progressive 25 on Wednesday December 14th at 8.30 pm. Prizes will include Christmas Hampers and usual hospitality.

GLENAMADDY DAYCARE CENTRE is holding its annual Christmas party on Wednesday the 14th December, starting with Mass at 12.30pm followed by dinner and entertainment.

DOCHAS extends a warm invitation to anyone who would like to attend their Christmas Mass in church at 12 noon on Friday. All are welcome.

DECEMBER is the month of the Birth of Our Saviour; it is the month of mid-winter, the month of the shortest day of the year. It is the last month of the calendar and the month of gift giving. During the month of December, we pray to come close to Jesus in our lives and in our prayer.

BINGO every Wed evening at 8.30pm in the Community Centre. Usual hospitality, bus, prizes & refreshments.

GLENAMADDY CLUBS' LOTTO draw on Wednesday nights. Next Wed's Lotto Jackpot will be €12,600. No Jackpot winner this week. Numbers drawn 19,21,25,26. 1 won €100 having 3 numbers. Lottery draw still available on line.

MOLLOY'S FRUIT & VEGETABLES

Tel (094) 9659167 or (086) 8778004

Orders now being taken for:
Christmas trees (Non shedding)
Christmas Wreaths &
Fruit Baskets
Wishing all our customers a
Happy Christmas



REFLECTION

John the Baptist was no reed swaying in the wind.
A reed swaying in the wind is a symbol
Of those who are easily influenced,
Who go along with whatever is popular,
And who have no conviction of their own.
But the humble reed can teach us something.
The fact that it is light means that it is
At the mercy of every wind that blows.
But it has great strength too.
The greatest storm cannot uproot it.
Even when giant oaks comes tumbling down,
The slender reed still stands secure.
Lord, teach us that there is strength
In weakness and suppleness
And give us the wisdom to know
When to bend and when to stand.

DECORATING CHURCH for Christmas takes place Sunday 11th at 3pm. If you are free to help please come along.

CHESTNUTS ROASTING ON AN OPEN FIRE— Christmas Concert on Thursday 15th December at 7pm in Glenamaddy Community School. Charge on the door €5 for adults and €2/child.

AT ANARM CARA, we know that facing the festive season can sometimes be hard for those who have lost a child. This Christmas, we are asking our supporters to remember and celebrate a loved one by lighting up our virtual Christmas Tree with a very special "Light of Love". Simply follow this link <https://visufund.com/lights-of-love-in-aid-of-anam-cara> and click "dedicate". By donating, you will be helping Anam Cara be there throughout the whole year to support Bereaved Parents.

GLENAMADDY COMMUNITY SCHOOL Carol Service in the church from 11.50 on Tuesday next. All are welcome.

ADVENT is a time of patience- quieten our hearts; a time of waiting – be filled with joy; a time of hope – the blind recover their sight; a time of healing – lepers are cured; a time to believe – we are beloved by God. (See today's gospel).

GROW IN LOVE Mass next Saturday evening at 7pm for children and their families preparing for First Holy Communion.