

Strictly Come Dancing in Bourke's, Irishtown on **Jan 1st** – a great evening's entertainment guaranteed – couples are busy learning their steps for their appropriate group's fundraiser.

Ballindine Group Walking meet on Mondays from Davitts Grounds at 7.30pm sharp.

Congratulations to Ballindine Tidy Towns on securing 3rd Place in 'Bloomin' Lovely' and 'Anti-Litter' Category at Mayo Co.Co. Cleaner Community Awards night on Monday last. Well done to all involved.

Ballindine Tidy Towns switch on of Christmas Lights on **Sun 4th Dec @ 4.30.**

Santa Party and Disco in Ballindine Centre this **Sun 4th Dec 3-6pm.** -Adm. €5.

Davitts Lotto: There was no winner of last week's jackpot. Numbers drawn were 3, 22, 32 & 33. Draw for a jackpot prize of €7,300 will take place Sunday 4th of December in Clarke's Ballindine.

Happytots Childcare will host it's annual **Christmas Card Game** in the Community Centre, Irishtown, on **Sunday 11th Dec at 8 pm.** Adm: 5 euro. Raffle & refreshments on the night also.

Ballindine Community Centre Rooms to let for Study Groups, Meetings, Computer Courses, Grinds etc, tel. R. Dunne on 087-4113902 to book.

BALLINDINE/IRISHTOWN/MILLTOWN ACTIVE RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION: Chair Yoga (7-8p.m.), followed by a pre-Christmas party on Tuesday, 6 December, in Ballindine Community Centre, at 8.30.p.m.

UCC Online Certificate in Autism Studies - Registration for this part-time online course (Level 6 Certificate) is **open until Friday 16th December.** Full details and registration online at www.ucc.ie/en/ace-caus/, or phone 021-490 4700.

Ballindine Community Christmas Party in DDAI Centre next **Sunday 11th Dec** commencing with Mass at 2.30pm, followed by meal, music and festivities.

Home-Help wanted in the afternoons in Dunmore Area. Tel: 087-1443551 if interested.

Buy My Dress Appeal - Ladies ... Have you got clothes in your wardrobe that you never wear?? Don't let them go to waste... Western Care is looking for good quality women's fashion dresses, dressy outfits, bridal wear, handbags, shoes, etc. All donated items will be sold at a 'Buy My Dress' Fundraising event to be held in the **Station House Hotel, Ballina, on Thur Dec 8th** to raise funds for the **Western Care Association's** local services. For further information contact Bernadine on 087 9798320 or email fundraiser@westerncare.com All donations will be greatly appreciated!!!

Free Information evening on 8th Dec at 7pm in Mac Williams Park Hotel for parents of children that find learning hard; difficulties in reading, comprehension, and spelling retention which may be associated with **Dyslexia and Dyspraxia.** Contact Breda Coughlan 086 3792360 to book a place

If you or someone you know is affected by the death of a son or daughter, **Anam Cara** can provide support and information. The Mayo group provides a safe and comfortable setting for parents to meet with other bereaved parents, meeting monthly in **The Family Centre, Chapel St, Castlebar.** The next meeting is **Thursday 15th December at 7.30pm.** For more information (or to order a free Information Pack written by bereaved parents) call 085 2888 888, email info@anamcara.ie or visit www.anamcara.ie.

Western Care Association Annual €10,000 Monster Christmas Bingo in Breaffy Sports Arena at Breaffy House Resort **Sunday, Dec 4th.** Doors open 1.30pm, Bingo will commence at 3pm sharp; Free Car parking. Single books €20, double books €25. Bus services available from all over the region tel: Tom Tarmey on 086 2202169 for details fundraiser@westerncare.com

Christmas Jumper Family Fun Run/Walk in McMahon Park, Claremorris next Sunday Dec 11th in support of **Western Care Association Day Services** at Primrose Hill and Silver Lodge, Claremorris. Loads of entertainment & refreshments. Prizes for best Adult & Children's Jumper. **Registration from 11.30am; Walk/Run will commence at 12.30pm SHARP.** Entry - Adults: €10, Children U14 free

Workshop on Cyber Bullying and Internet Safety for Parents at Dunmore Community School on Tuesday 6th Dec from 7-9pm in the school auditorium. All are welcome. See school website for details.

Parish of Kilvine

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3rd – 11th December, 2016



**Feast of
The Immaculate Conception
of The Blessed Virgin Mary
8th December**

In the gospel today Jesus came to be baptised by John the Baptist, who wore a camel's hair coat and ate locusts and honey. John said that he was getting ready for someone great. John baptised Jesus in the river. As Jesus came out of the water the Spirit of God came down, like a dove, and God's voice said he was very pleased with his Son, Jesus.

Cluster Priests

Fr. Cribben 093-51609

Fr. Gannon 086-2656563B

Fr. Quinn 087-2685288

Community Alert Text No's:

087-2452565; 087-1322411

086-8436958; 087-6528213

Claremorris Garda Station 094-9372080

Second Sunday of Advent

Remembered in Masses this week 3rd – 11th December, 2016

Irishtown Sat 3rd 8.00pm Delia Warde, Willie & Mai Kirrane and Pake & Molly, Michael & Kitty Waldron, Pat & Katie Corr and daughter Mary Delia, Jimmy Prendergast & deceased of family, Pdraig O'Malley.

Ballindine Sun 4th 10.30am James Fahy & deceased of family, Rita Duffy & deceased of family, Susan & Bernard McGivney and deceased of family, Deceased of Devane Family & Pdraig Noone, Sarah Glynn, Tom Hession.

Ballindine Tues 6th 7.00pm People of the parish, living & dead

Vigil Mass for Feast of The Immaculate Conception of The Blessed Virgin Mary

Irishtown Wed 7th 7.00pm Mary & John Duffy, William & Nora Quinn and deceased of family, John & Delia Hession and son John, Steve Spiller.

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Ballindine Thurs 8th 7.00pm Breda Fagan (recently deceased) and husband Austin, Eugene Higgins, Tommie & Celia Huane, Mary King, nee Hosty (recently deceased).

Irishtown Fri 9th 9.30am Private Intention.

Irishtown Sat 10th 8.00pm Kitty & Tom Fitzgerald (Month's Mind), Mick Hett and deceased of family, Luke, Muriel and Kitty McHugh, Michael & Thomas Roche and parents, Michael Daly, Delia Mitchell,

Third Sunday of Advent

Winifred and John Mitchell and deceased of family.

Ballindine Sun 11th 10.30am Jarlath Fallon, P.J. Cummins and deceased of family, Raymond Prendergast, Martin Waldron, Deceased of Conroy and Keogh Families, Deceased of O'Neill Family, Martin & Mary Keane, Kathleen & Bernard Donlon and deceased of family.

Ballindine Sun 11th 2.30pm Mass and Community Christmas Party in D.D.A.I

Eucharistic Ministers

Irishtown Wed 7th at 7pm

M.Freeley, D. McCormack

Ballindine Thurs 8th at 7pm

P. Kirrane, C. Kirrane

Irishtown Sat Dec 10th 8pm

L.Griffin, B. Mulkeen

Ballindine Sun Dec 11th 10.30am

P. Giblin, C. Egan, F. Devane

Marian House Sun 11th Dec: Celia Griffin

Mass Servers Irishtown during the week Gp1

Ballindine Servers during the week: Team D

The 44th Annual Eucharistic All-Night Vigil at Knock

is on **Wed 7th Dec** beginning with confessions in the Chapel of Reconciliation from 10pm, followed by Vigil at midnight in the Basilica with Rosary, Candlelight Procession, Stations of the Cross and Holy Hour with Fr. Brendan Walsh, S.C.A. & Concelebrated Mass at 4am with Fr. Freddy Warner, S.M.A. The Vigil will be available to watch live on the Knock Shrine website: www.knockshrine.ie/watch.

Blessing for Expectant Mothers

Sat Dec 10th at 12 noon - a blessing ceremony for all couples expecting a baby at Knock Shrine. It will include a short prayer for protection and safe delivery with an individual blessing for all mothers-to-be who are present. Fathers-to-be and family members are all welcome.

Gerry Glennon (Mid West Radio) will be giving a talk in Curam, Claremorris (beside the Church) **this Monday 5th Dec at 9pm** for the **Cluster Parishes of Kilvine, Claremorris, Crossboyne and Milltown**. This is an ideal way to prepare for Christmas. All are welcome.

Clean up of Irishtown new Cemetery

This Sunday 4th December at 12noon. All help will be much appreciated to tidy up the cemetery prior to Christmas.

Saint Pope John Paul II Youth Awards 2016 – a total of 350 young people from around the Diocese received this award in Knock Basilica recently. Congratulations to all the young people from our own parish who also received this award from Archbishop Michael Neary: **Ciara Clarke, Emer Hynes, Maria Connolly, Aoife Cunningham, Ava Trench, Kieran Fahey, Liam Macken, Aidan Macken, Thomas Corless, Daniel Huane, Dimitri Trench.** Well done to all involved.

Anniversaries:

Anyone wishing to have their deceased loved ones remembered in the Parish Newsletter please forward your list with names and dates and they will be included annually in the newsletter.

Those we hold most dear never truly leave us; they live on in the kindness they showed us.

Thomas Daly, Frank Griffin, Tommie Nolan, John Rattigan, James Finnegan, Sarah O'Donnell, Raymond Prendergast, Thomas O'Donnell, Mary Hunt, Michael McGee, Sarah Cullina, Austin Fagan, Edward Kelly, Jackie Burke, Tommy Huane, Jarlath Fallon.



Confirmation

"You Shall be My Witnesses"

Programme Continues:

Wednesdays

7th & 14th Dec

at 8pm

in Irishtown N.S.

2017 Offertory

Envelopes are now

available in both churches.

Please pick up your box

and if there is no box

allocated to you please

inform the Sacristy, where

spare boxes are available.

Children's Liturgy needs

4 more people to come on

board for **Sunday Mass**

from January, **every 5/6**

weeks. Tel: 087-2555007

if willing to help out.

Eucharistic Adoration

Ballindine

Tuesday 7 – 8.20pm

Irishtown

Wednesday 7 – 8.20pm