

Fund-raising Bake & Gifts Sale after Mass this Sat & Sun in aid of **The Irish Pilgrimage to Lourdes Trust** next Easter by our young local volunteers –Please Support

Davitts Presto Numbers drawn 20, 21, 26, 28. The Jackpot of €12,400 was not won. The following won €50 each: Tom Reapy, Clifden, Sarah Hennigan, Balbriggan, Co. Dublin, Kathleen McGee, Ballindine, Shane Mitchell, Irishtown. **Next Draw:** Sun Dec 3rd in Hanley's, Claremorris with the Jackpot standing at a tasty €12,500. **Results:** County U-21 B Championship Quarter-Final: Davitts 1-12 Burrishoole 0-6. **Fixtures:** Sun Dec 3rd, Mayo U-21 B Championship Semi-Final: Davitts v Ardnaree in Bekan at 12.30pm. **Davitts GAA Club's AGM will take place on Sunday December 3rd at 7.30pm in the Clubhouse. All are welcome to attend.**

Santa Party & Disco in Ballindine Community Centre **this Sunday 3rd Dec 3-6pm** - Adm. €5. All welcome.

Irishtown Community Development Ltd A.G.M. on Thursday next 7th December at 9pm in House No. 6 -Cluain a Tobair.

ACTIVE RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION : Final meeting of 2017 will take place on Tues 5th Dec at 8.30pm in Ballindine Community Centre. Party night, bring a friend !

Ballindine Senior Citizens & Community Party in DDAI next **Sun 10th Dec**, commencing at 2.30pm with Mass, followed by Dinner and Dancing.

Ballindine Tidy Towns asking all businesses and homes to display Christmas lighting to enhance our village for Christmas. Your help would be much appreciated.

Crossboyne ICA Craft Classes on Tuesdays at 8pm in Old School i.e. Decoupage Pics, Candlewick & Australian Embroidery - lovely gifts for Christmas. All welcome.

Christmas 25 Card game in aid of Happytots Childcare Facility this Sunday 3rd of December at 8.30pm in Irishtown Community Centre. Raffle & Refreshments on the night. Entry €5.

Food Cloud: Claremorris FRC in association with Tesco and Aldi are participating in the community Food Cloud Scheme. Food is available twice a week from The Family Resource Centre, Mount St., Claremorris to individuals and families. This scheme is run in the strictest confidence. Contact 094 9377838 for details.

Anam Cara, the organisation that supports bereaved parents, Parent Evening on **Wed 6th of Dec** from 7.30- to 9pm in the Clayton Hotel, Old Monivea Road, Ballybrit, Galway (*please note change of venue*). This event is open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or whether the death was recent or not.

Castlebar Gospel Choir will be performing a special concert in **Claremorris Church next Friday 8th Dec @ 8pm**. It promises to be a special night of music and song - the ideal way to kick off your Christmas season. Tickets €15 available from Curam Centre and Smyths Newsagents.

Bri brain injury support meeting Thurs 7th Dec in Le Cheile Family Resource Centre, Tucker St, Castlebar at 7pm.

A Christmas Surprise **Comedy drama** with music by The Conquerors & Gerry Carney, The Frank Forde Christmas TV Special and more. Written and Directed by John Corless. Group discounts and party menu options. Claremorris Town Hall, **Wed 13 Dec**. Tickets from 094 931 0999 and www.townhall.ie

Children's Christmas Show "The Happy Prince" by Oscar Wilde, adapted and performed by Andrea Cleary, Claremorris Town Hall Studio, **Sat 9th and Sun 10th December at 11.30am and 1pm**. Adm. €5 – Family of 4 €18. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

HOSPICE SHINE A LIGHT You can sponsor a light on the Hospice Christmas Tree in Knock for someone you know, living & deceased, at all pharmacies in Mayo & Roscommon, Hospice shops & Knock Shrine. **The Tree Lighting ceremony takes place in Knock at 2pm this Sunday 3rd December following a 5km memorial walk. All welcome. Contact 0949388666.**

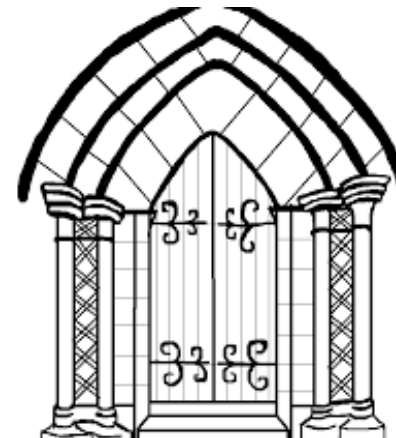
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2nd – 10th December, 2017

First Sunday of Advent



In the gospel today Jesus tells a story about a master who leaves his house. The servants are left in charge of all the jobs and the door-keeper is told to keep a careful watch for when the master returns. It may be at any time or day, so they must stay awake.

Cluster Priests

Fr. Cribben 093-51609

Fr. Gannon 086-2656563

Fr. Quinn 087-2685288

Community Alert Text No`s:

087-2452565; 087-1322411

086-8436958; 087-6528213

Claremorris Garda Station 094-9372080

First Sunday of Advent

Remembered in Masses this week 2nd – 10th December, 2017

Irishtown Sat 2nd 8.00pm Thomas & Bridget Kirrane, Edward Fitzgerald,
William & Catherine Feerick, son Michael and daughter Mary, Pat & Katie Corr, Johnny Byrne.

Ballindine Sun 3rd 10.30am Mary & Patrick Fahey & Daughter Mary, Rita Duffy & deceased of Duffy Family, John & Celia Walsh & deceased of family, Deceased of Donnelly Family, Thomas & Winifred O'Connor, Peter & Mary Byrne & deceased of O'Connor Family, Mark & Mary Ann Devane, son Michael & daughter Bridie McDonnell, Delia & Michael Conroy.

Ballindine Tues 5th 7.00pm People of the Parish, Living and Dead

Irishtown Wed 6th 7.00pm Private Intention

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

Ballindine Thurs 7th 7.30pm Eugene Higgins, Canon John Colleran.

Irishtown Fri 8th 7.30pm Stephen Spiller

Ballindine Sat 9th 11.00am Tommy Joe Heneghan (Months Mind)

Irishtown Sat 9th 8.00pm Mick Devane (1st Anniv) and deceased of family, Mary Hayes, Bridie & Jimmy McMahon and May Hayes, Fr. Tom, Jimmy, Padraic & John Corless, Michael & Thomas Roche and deceased of family & Michael Daly, Mary & John Duffy & deceased of family, Edward, Theresa, Delia & Julia McLoughlin.

Ballindine Sun 10th 10.30am James (Jimmy Sheridan) Months Mind, Patrick & Ellen Prendergast and son Dick and deceased of family, Bernard & Susan McGivney and Theresa Moore, Raymond Prendergast & deceased of family, Jarlath Fallon, Peter Cummins, Henry Cleary & deceased of family, Tom Hession.

Ballindine DDAI Sun 10th 2.30pm Mass & Christmas Party

Eucharistic Ministers

Irishtown Sat 9th 8pm

Ann Clarke, Saoirse Melvin

Readers

Mary T. Reaney

Servers

Group 2

Ballindine Sun 10th 10.30am

P. Giblin, C. Egan, F. Devane

Orla Duggan

Team C

Servers Irishtown during the week Gp 2

Servers Ballindine during the week Team B

Marian House Eucharistic Minister Sun 10th Dec: Margaret Corless

Offertory Collectors – 9th Dec: Ann Clarke, Geraldine Hynes

Prayers of faithful Sat 9th Dec: Aoibhe Kirrane, Alannah O'Dea

Prayers of Faithful Sun 10th Dec: Jessica & Rachel McGowan

The 45th Eucharistic **All-Night Vigil at Knock Shrine** on Thurs 7th – Fri 8th Dec. The programme for the night begins on December 7th at 10pm with confessions until 12 midnight in the Chapel of Reconciliation. **The vigil begins at 12 midnight in the Basilica with Rosary, Candlelight Procession, Holy Hour and Stations of the Cross. Mass will take place at 4am on Dec 8th** with main celebrant Fr Freddy Warner and concelebrant Fr Brendan Walsh. St John's Rest & Care Centre will be open all night to facilitate pilgrims who are attending the vigil. For more information please contact Knock Shrine (094) 93 88100.

Church Money Counter

needed immediately to join a team of 2 for 1 hr a week for the next 3 weeks only. Please tel: 087-2836322 or 087-9793747 if you can help out.

Blessing for Expectant Mothers:

in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel at Knock Shrine on Sat 9th Dec at 12 noon. It will include a short prayer for protection and safe delivery with an individual blessing for all mothers-to-be who are present.

LIVE NATIVITY PLAY:

The Members of the Community Cenacolo Knock will hold a live Nativity Play on their ground in Aughtboy (old airport road, Knock) on Sat 9th December at 8pm. **All are welcome especially Families + Children**

Eucharistic Adoration

Ballindine: Tues 7pm – 8.20pm

Irishtown: Wed 7pm – 8.20pm

Parish Finance Committee Meeting this **Tuesday 5th**

@ 7.30pm in Parochial House, Ballindine – all members are asked to try and attend.

Anniversaries:

Anyone wishing to have their deceased loved ones remembered in the Parish Newsletter please forward their names and date of death 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.
Mary Conway, Michael Monaghan, 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.



Deaths: Please pray for **Cissie Tighe**, Mullagh, Co. Meath and Cavan, aunt of Tom Tighe, Ballindine; **Catherine Halligan**, Garryduff, sister of John; **John Jennings**, Newtown, Claremorris, uncle of Jimmy, Leface and brother of the late Tom, Burrish; **Sadie Griffin**, Loughrea, mother of Pat, Cloonmore; **Kathleen Tierney**, Belmont, Milltown, mother of Maureen McGrath, Lisduff, who all died within the past week. **May their souls rest in peace, Amen.**

Ballindine Church Readers & Eucharistic Ministers Rota for 2018 on display in church porch.

Church Cleaners Rota Jan-June only also on display

Youth 2000 Christmas Retreat at Newbridge College, Co. Kildate 8-10th Dec. Just bring a sleeping bag and a donation. To book see www.youth2000.ie or 01-6753690.

Masses for 8th December: (Holy Day of Obligation)

Ballindine Thurs 7th @ 7.30pm

Irishtown Fri 8th 7.30pm