

Irishtown Community Futures Action Plan – Members of the Heritage Group who are part of the Irishtown Community Futures Action Plan are very interested in gathering as much historical information in respect of the Irishtown/Kilvine townlands as possible. They are particularly interested in old field names, folklore & customs, local traditions, crafts, music & poetry and any photographs that relate to the traditional way of life. If anyone sees this notice whether you are living within the community or living further afield or abroad and have relevant memorabilia to share, the contact number for this project is 087 2452565.

Davitts GAA - Presto result: 9, 14, 23, 24. Jackpot not won. Julie Briere, Gretta McManus, Enda O Donnell, Tadhg Daly won €50 each. €14,500 this weekend in Gilligan's Bar.

Latest fixtures: **Sun April 27th**, Senior League Div 3B: Davitts v Hollymount Carramore in Ballindine at 1pm. **Mon April 28th**, U-14 League Div 4: Gaeil Na Daibheidí v Achill in Ballindine at 7pm. **Tues April 29th**, Minor League Div 3: Gaeil Na Daibheidí v Tourmakeady in Mayo Abbey at 7pm. **Wed April 30th**, U-12 Spring League: Davitts v Ballaghaderreen in Ballindine at 7pm. **Thurs May 1st**, U-16 League Div 2: Ballinrobe v Gaeil Na Daibheidí in Ballinrobe at 7pm. **Fri May 2nd**, O Mara Cup semi-final: Davitts v Mayo Gaels in Ballindine at 7.30pm. **Sun May 4th**, Ladies Senior League Div 2: Moy Davitts v Davitts in Foxford at 11am.

Clinical Somatics - Learn slow gentle exercises to relieve chronic shoulder, back & hip pain. Classes start Wednesday 30 April at 18.45 pm in Claremorris Family Resource Centre (F12 H2C2) - for 5 weeks (50 euro). Please contact John Roe on 0877495573 or FRC Claremorris on 094 9377838 to book your place.

Blessing for Expectant Mothers - There will be a blessing ceremony for all expectant mothers in the Basilica at Knock Shrine on Saturday 3rd May at 11am. It will include a short prayer for protection and safe delivery with an individual blessing for all mothers-to-be who are present. All couples / families are welcome.

Ballyhaunis FRC - Amanda McGuinness from Little Puddins – Autism Specialist Supports - will be in Communal House, Clare Court, Ballyhaunis, F35 FC61, on the 6th & 13th May. There is no charge to attend these evenings. Enquiries 086-0470587

Chime - Services for Deaf and Hard of Hearing, Outreach clinic, Tuam. Clinical room R22 in the Old Health centre, Vicar St Tuam H54 H028 Friday, May 2nd '25, 10am-12:30pm. Contact Tony Dolan 086 8341318 Tony.dolan@chime.ie Appointment and contact is necessary to gain access to the building.

Uniform Donation – Courtesy of Tesco - We have received a generous donation of school uniform items for boys and girls, available free of charge. Uniforms can be collected at the Claremorris Family Resource Centre. Contact no. 0949377838 email: elisabete@claremorrisfrc.ie

Art Classes: The next block of Art Classes in Cúram FRC Claremorris are to due start on Tuesday 29th April. Classes will run for 6wks. Contact **Sean on 085 2320402** for more information & to book a place.

Ballindine - Parish of Kilvine - Irishtown

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Parish Office Hours: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 9am to 1pm
(emergencies anytime)

26th April 2025 – 4th May 2025

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Pope Francis (born Jorge Mario Bergoglio; 17 December 1936 – 21 April 2025)



“What a great thirst for death, for killing, we witness each day ... how much violence we see, often even within families, directed at women and children. How much contempt is stirred up at times toward the vulnerable, the marginalized, and migrants. On this day, I would like all of us to hope anew and to revive our trust in others, including those who are different than ourselves, or who come from distant lands, bringing unfamiliar customs, ways of life and ideas! For all of us are children of God!”

Pope Francis' Urbi et Orbi, Easter Sunday.

Gracious God,
You know our needs before we ask and heed our faltering prayers, spoken and unspoken. Hear our voice above the murmurs of sorrow for it is the voice of confusion seeking your still small voice of calm. Hear our voice as we give thanks for your faithful servant, for it is the voice of praise joining with sadness and joy. Hear our voice as we pray for the future for it is a voice of hope longing to see your Church made whole. Hear our voice as we watch with those who deliberate for it is the voice of humility asking for their wisdom and discernment. Hear our voice as we pray in solidarity with the poor, for it is the voice of peace searching for justice. O God, hear the voice of the voiceless for it is the voice of silence crying out from the cross, through whom your Spirit may be heard and your will be recognised - Amen.

Words by Annabel Shilson-Thomas

Cluster priests:

Fr Peter Gannon -
086 2656563

Fr Frank Conlisk -
089 4298365

Neighbourhood Watch - Any suspicious activity or vehicles should be reported to the Community Alert Text No`s: 087-2452565; 087-1322411; 086-8436958; 087-6528213 or Claremorris Garda Station 094-9372080

Second Sunday of Easter
Divine Mercy Sunday

Mass Intentions 26th April, 2025 – 4th May, 2025

Ballindine Sat 26th 8.00pm	Winifred (Una) Dunleavy (Month's mind), Martin & Mary Barrett and daughter Marion Cosgrove, James Fallon and uncle John Mongan.
Irishtown Sun 27th 10am	Joe Joe Roche (Month's Mind), James & Catherine Ronayne, Winnifred (Freddie) Cullina (2nd Anniv) & Ellen Cullina, Edward & Delia Mitchell.
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Ballindine, Tues 29th April 7pm	Public Mass for the repose of the soul of Pope Francis.
Ballindine, Thurs 1st May 7pm	People of the Parish living and dead.
Irishtown, Friday 2nd 10am	Mary & Joe Sheridan and deceased of family.
Irishtown Sat 3rd 1.30pm	Wedding Mass.
Ballindine Sat 3rd May 8pm	Liam Cosgrove (1st Anniversary), Nora Brogan.
Irishtown Sun 4th 11.30am <i>First Holy Communion</i>	Sean McManus, Mary Cosgrove (5th Anniversary), Celia Sheridan (4th Anniversary).

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Blessed Carlo Acutis Mass – and veneration of first-class relics scheduled for Sunday 27th April '25 in Ballindine church is deferred until further notice, due to the death of Pope Francis.

Knock Pilgrimage - The Tuam Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock on Sunday, May 4th, led by Archbishop Francis, will commence with the Sacrament of Anointing at 2.30 pm.

Monthly house calls to the elderly and housebound takes place on Thursday 1st May at the usual times.

Please pray for:

John Clinton, Milrow, Manchester, husband of Mary nee McHugh, Crimlin.
May he Rest in Peace

<u>Eucharistic Ministers</u>	<u>Readers</u>	<u>Servers</u>	<u>Collectors</u>
Ballindine Sat 3rd May 8pm C. Kirrane, P. Hennigan	Eddie Clarke	Gp6	R. Dunne, M. Devane
Irishtown Sun 4th May 11.30am S. Kirrane, J. Roche	1 st Communion	Gp3	E. Nolan, J. Roche
Prayer of Faithful			
Ballindine Sat 3rd: Michael & Mattie			
Irishtown Sun 4th: 1 st Holy Communion			
Marian House Sun 4th April: Dympna Clarke			

First Holy Communion – Irishtown N.S.
Sunday May 4th at 11.30am. Please note the change in Sunday Mass time for this day only.

The announcement on Easter Monday of the death of **Pope Francis** (88) is truly sad news for the Church and the world. He will be long remembered for many reasons, such as his love for God's people, especially those in poverty and on the margins, and those who experience rejection because of personal circumstances.
A public Mass will be offered in Ballindine Church next Tuesday April 29th at 7pm.
Requiescat in Pace



Church Cleaners for May:
Irishtown: Geraldine Moran,
Josie Canny.
Ballindine: Joe Mangan,
Mary Peters.
Church Flowers, Ballindine:
Maureen Naughton.

Anam Cara Galway - supports bereaved parents, and is holding its monthly Parent Support Evening for bereaved parents on Wednesday May 7th at 7.30pm in the Clayton Hotel, Briarhill, Galway.
We also offer an online support group meeting.
Enquiries to 01 4045378 or **email info@anamcara.ie**

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.
Patrick Dowd, Mary Walsh, Mary Gibbons, Liam Cosgrove, Margaret McMorro, Peter (Sally) Mitchell, Mary Niland, Luke Corr, Eileen Huane, Mary Ellen Ruane, Mary Cosgrove, John Joe Mulkeen, Nell Sheridan, Mike Keane, Sally Levins, Denis Daly, Michael Nestor, John P & Mary McHugh.