

PARISH OF BALLINAKILL/DERRYBRIEN

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Saturday / Sunday 25 / 26 July 2026 '17th Sunday In Ordinary Time'

Webcam Ballinakill Church; <https://churchmedia.tv/ballinakill>

Masses – Ballinakill:

Sat.: 25 July 8pm (A) Mary Kenny.

8pm (A) Padraig Foster & Deceased Family Members.

Mon. 27 July 9.30am.

Tues.: 28 July 9.30am.

Wed.: 29 July 9.30am.

Thurs.: 30 July 9.30am.

Friday: 31 July 8pm (A) Michael English.

8pm (A) Micky, Patsy & Thomas Murphy.

Sat.: 1 Aug. 8pm (A) Tom, Delia & Stephen Monahan.

Masses - Derrybrien:

Sunday 26 July 9.30am.

Friday 31 July 7pm.

Sunday 2 Aug. 9.30am Marian Moloney.

Eucharistic Ministers - Ballinakill:

Sat. 25 July: Ann Neville. Sat. 1 Aug.: Marion Sheil.

Altar Servers:

Saturday 25 July Group 2. Saturday 1 Aug. Group 3.

Altar Society – August:

Ballinakill: Nonie Nevilles, Peggy Whyte & Marie Fallon.

Derrybrien: Eilish Headd & Teresa McDermott.

Lotto No's 4, 11, 16, 21. €3,600. No Jackpot Winner; Win/Share

€150: Anne Rabbitte, Jason & Michelle Sheil, Mattie/Breda O'Malley, David O'Connor. Next Draw: 27/7 in The Clubhouse. Tickets on-line; <https://hubklubfunder.com/TommyLarkinsGAAClub/lotto> usual outlets. Draw/results; Facebook Mondays 7pm.

Davitt's 50/50 Draw Congratulations To Maria Murphy Ballinakill:

Winner of €364 in last week's draw. Next Draw: Monday 27 July. Tickets available; local shops/pubs/online www.klubfunder.com/Club/DavittsCamogie_Club/TicketSales Thank you for your on-going support.

Galway Rural Development Are Seeking To Employ A Person:

In Derrybrien for ongoing maintenance work and assistance. For further information please contact Jackie, 087 9422356.

ATU St Angela's Inviting Applications; Part-Time Certificate In:

Religious Education for Primary School with online delivery begins in Autumn. Open to Qualified Primary/Post-Primary school teachers who wish to transfer to primary school teaching. Parents/sacramental preparation on teams/parish catechists who have a specific interest in the area of primary religious education may also apply. Closing date **Fri. 14 Aug. Further info. mary.kearns@atu.ie www.atu.ie**

Annual National Grandparents Pilgrimage Celebrating World:

Day For Grandparents/elderly, Sunday 26 July Knock Shrine, starts 2.30pm with the anointing of the sick. A day of blessing for the whole family. All are welcome. www.catholicgrandparentassociation.org

Galway Plate Raffle Tickets In Aid Of Funds For The Parish Hall:

Draw takes place in the Community Centre **This Sunday 26 July @ 10pm. Your support for our Community Centre is very much appreciated. **Remember, if you're not in you can't win.****

Save The Date For A Night Of Traditional Music/Song With:

Matt Keane and Maria Fahy in Egan's Bar on Saturday 8 August. Come along, everyone welcome.

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Loughrea Music Club: Between The Jigs/Reels An Evening Of:

Music/story/refreshments Wed. 29 July Loughrea Library 7.30pm. Free admission, proceeds if desired to Mary's Meals, which enables 3 million children to attend school/otherwise would not be able to go because they are given one daily meal in their place of education. All Welcome.

RCIA 2026/2027; Thinking of Becoming Catholic? The Rite Of:

Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is for adults who: have never been baptised, belong to another Christian tradition; are baptised Catholics but haven't received confirmation/Eucharist The journey begins this autumn. Find out more, contact the parish or email rcia@anghailil.ie

Triduum St. Francis Church Meelick H53 H728 Friday 31 July:

Sat./Sun. 1/2 Aug. Fri. 31 July Mass 7pm to include Cemetery Mass for Meelick. Sat. 1 Aug. Mass 7pm, Sun. 2 Aug. Mass 7pm. Confessions prior to Mass visiting Franciscans. 2 Aug./another day determined by the Ordinary for the convenience of the people a plenary indulgence may be acquired in Parish Churches. The practices prescribed for the obtaining of the indulgence are a devout visit to the Church/recitation there of Our Father/Creed/sacramental confession/Holy Communion/prayer for the intentions of the Supreme Pontiff. Indulgence may be acquired only once. Visit may be made from noon previous day/midnight of the day itself.

St. Brendan's Education Centre, Abbey St., Loughrea 091 841387:

Email: freda.murphy@gretb.ie Business Modules commencing in September: Word Processing Level 3 Mon. 7 Sept. 9.30am-12.30pm, Information/Administration Level 5 Tues. 8 Sept. 9.30-12.30pm, Legal Practice & Procedure Tues. 1-4pm, Bookkeeping Tues. 1-4pm. Spreadsheets Thurs. 10 Sept. 1-4pm.

The Knock Youth Leadership Programme (Knock Shrine) For:

Adults interested in setting up/developing youth ministry initiatives in their parish. Participants will gain the skills/knowledge/confidence to journey with young people, supporting them as they explore their faith in a safe/welcoming environment. Starting in Sept. application deadline 31 July. The programme is delivered in partnership with Youth Link/Redemptorist Youth Ministry accredited by St. Marys University, Belfast. For more info. please contact: youthministry@knockshrine.ie

Burren Outdoor Retreat Fri. 4-Sun. 6 Sept. Would You Like To:

Limestone pavements/rare flora/ancient sacred sites? Info; Mary 087 9701130/Des 085 1614951 for bookings.

Consensus Emerged On Many Fronts, Inherent Divergences Also:

Remained in the listening process. While many called for greater inclusion of women in decision-making roles/ordination to the diaconate/priesthood others voiced discomfort/offered alternative solutions: 'Many voiced a strong opinion on the need for women in ministry while others, a small but vocal minority, insisted that the best way forward was a male diaconate/foreign priests, however the differences in culture was cited as a major obstacle.' Views ranged from acceptance of the current exclusion while requesting clear explanations: 'Some expressed acceptance of the e exclusion of women to ordination while asking that people be told why this is so,' to calls for greater inclusion: 'On the role of women, strong support for expanded participation including diaconate coexisted with some expressing a view that current roles were sufficient.' Some saw the persistence of the theme as a step forward/others saw its continued resurfacing as inadequate/patronising. Divergences were often tied to theological interpretations/cultural differences/pace of change. Others linked the discussion to trust/ transparency, noting 'lack of trust was also partly present in relation to women/the absence of reference to ordination to the diaconate.'