

# PARÓISTE Naomh Fionán

8ú Eanáir 2023 - Féile Bhaiste Ár dTiarna - A

As soon as Jesus was baptized in the River Jordan, the heavens were opened and the Holy Spirit alighted on him like a dove, as a voice from heaven said: "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased" (Mt 3:17). We rediscover our own Baptism in the Feast of the Baptism. Just as Jesus is the Beloved Son of the Father, we too, reborn by water and the Holy Spirit, know we are loved children — the Father loves us all! —, the object of God's satisfaction, brothers and sisters of many brothers and sisters, assigned with a great mission to bear witness and proclaim the Father's boundless love to all mankind.

Pope Francis, 12th January 2020



## Cuimhneacháin Báis:

Maurice Doogan, Drumnatinney, whose funeral took place here on Monday.  
Kathleen O'Donnell, Killult, whose funeral took place in Gortahork on Thursday.  
Joe Curran, Derryconnor, whose funeral took place in Gortahork recently.  
Beatrice McQuaid whose 1st Anniversary Mass is on Friday.

## Anniversaries:

John Sweeney, John O'Brien & Ann McGeady.

## MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

<b>Saturday 7th</b>	<b>7: 00 pm</b>	John O'Brien	Anniversary
<b>Sunday 8th</b>	<b>9: 00 am</b>	For all Parishioners	
	<b>11: 00 am</b>	Nellie & Pete McCarry	Anniversary
<b>Wednesday 11th</b>	<b>9: 30 am</b>	Holy Souls	
<b>Thursday 12th</b>	<b>9: 30 am</b>	Ann McGeady, Erraroey	Anniversary
<b>Friday 13th</b>	<b>7: 00 pm</b>	Beatrice McQuaid	1st Anniversary
<b>Saturday 14th</b>	<b>7: 00 pm</b>	Sheila Gadsby	Months Mind
<b>Sunday 15th</b>	<b>9: 00 am</b>	For all Parishioners	
	<b>11: 00 am</b>	Maeve Cannon	Anniversary

## Confessions

Available on request

## Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesday:

Holy Hour: 9- 10 pm

Thursday: 10: 00 am – 9: 00 pm.

Thursday adoration includes the

Diving Mercy @ 5: 30 pm and

concludes with Rosary

@ 8: 30 pm

**All Masses are available live**

**on:**

[www.naomhfionan.com](http://www.naomhfionan.com)

& Parish Radio @ 106.5 FM

## FREAGRA AN TSAILM:

Beannóidh an Tiarna a phobal le síocháin.

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# FÓGRAÍ

## **January Rota for Ministers of The Word and Eucharist**

Ministers of the Word	Saturday	7 pm	Paul A. McFadden
	Sunday	9 am	Cathal Mac Suibhne
		11 am	Michelle Murphy
Ministers of the Eucharist:	Saturday	7 pm	Kathleen McCallion & Stephanie Green
	Sunday	11 am	Denise O'Leary Kelly & Rose Anne Rodgers

If you are unable to cover your specified Mass, please make arrangements for a replacement minister.

## **Parish Pastoral Council.**

The next meeting of the new Parish Pastoral Council will take place in the Parochial House, this Tuesday 10th January @ 8: 00 pm.

## **Thank You**

With this first parish Newsletter of this new year of 2023, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all, who in any way, were involved in the parish over the past year and all who helped in any way over the Christmas period.

Thanks to all who did great work preparing the Church for Christmas again this year - those who were involved in setting up the Crib, the Christmas tree, lights, flowers, decorations and tidying up, etc. To McClafferty's of Gortahork for donating the Christmas tree in the church once again this year. Thanks also to Seamus Doohan for his work with the lights. Thanks to the Ministers of the Eucharist and Word and collectors & counters. To Patricia McGroddy for all her work over Christmas, and throughout the year too, looking after the altar and sacristy, making sure everything is kept right and is ready and looking well for each celebration. To Kevin Barrett and all the CE workers, particularly Denis, Eamon, Joe & Mickey, who are always available and willing to do anything required to keep the place looking well around the church grounds and inside the Church and Aras Begley throughout the year. To Fred Sharkey also for his dedication and work around and in the church each week and for opening and closing the building.

To the parents and children who gave of their time and organised, practiced, took part in the choir, parents who helped with the props and who may have helped in any way, in preparing or taking part in the Children's Mass on Christmas Eve. It was a very special Mass, and many have commented on how well everyone performed and told the story of the birth of Jesus so well and so meaningful. Well done to everyone.

To our choir who added so much to the celebration of the Christmas Masses on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. Thanks to Bernie, all the different musicians, and all in the choir for your dedication, enthusiasm and commitment.

I would also like to thank Nora Sweeney in the parish office for all her work throughout the year, organising and coordinating many different things and making sure everything runs smoothly and efficiently each week. Thanks as well to all who delivered the church envelopes around the parish over the past couple of weeks.

I would also like to express my gratitude to everyone who supported the parish financially throughout a difficult year. Your ongoing support of the parish helps us to keep things running as best we can and pay all our bills. Finally, to all who helped out and worked in the Church, or in the parish in general, in any way over the past year, I would like to offer a huge thank you for your dedication and all you do in our parish. I hope I have not left anyone or any group out, sincerely accept my apologies if I have.

On a personal note, I would also like to take this opportunity to thank everyone in the parish for all the cards, generosity, and good wishes I received during the Christmas period and in particular for the support and prayers I received during the past year. I deeply appreciate all I have received from you and am humbled by it all.

I would like to wish you all and to wish everyone in the parish, a happy,

peaceful and prosperous and safe year ahead. I pray it will be a good one, a better one for all of us, a year to bring us all many blessings.

God Bless,  
Fr. James.

## **Pobail Le Chéile- Job Opportunity**

Pobail le Chéile is seeking to appoint a full time Manager for a 1 year fixed contract, based at our offices on Main Street, Falcarragh. The purpose of the position will be to support and manage a wide programme of socially inclusive community development initiatives across Cloughaneely in the following areas; education, culture, the Irish language, community wellbeing and family supports. Ní mhór líofacht sa Ghaeilge, taithí Oibre Pobail agus/ nó cáilíocht tríú leibhéal i réimse ábhartha a bheith ag an iarrthóir idéalach, in éineacht le taithí ar thacaíochtaí pobail éifeachtacha a sheachadadh faoi mhaoirseacht bhoird bhainistíochta deonach. Chun iarratais a dhéanamh nó tuilleadh eolais a fháil faoin bpost seol riomhphost chuig [pobailc@gmail.com](mailto:pobailc@gmail.com) ( Líne Ábhar: F/C An Chathaoirleach) nó cuir glaoch ar 074 9180111

## **ETB - Adult Education**

**Beginners Computers - Internet and email.** Starts Tuesday 17th January 7-9 in the Adult Education Centre Gortahork. Ring Dolores 0861740677 to register. There is no charge for this course.

## **Cill Ulta - Solution for Japanese Knotweed – Dé Ceadaoin 11ú Eanáir**

Public Talk - KPM soils a bhfuil réiteach ar an fhadhb faighte acu. Ceardlann 3pm – 5pm áiteanna teoranta – cur scairt ar 074 91 80994 Public talk for community – 7pm in Óstan Loch Altan.

## **50/50**

Congratulations to Eddie Mór O'Brien, Derryconner who won the 50/50 prize this week of €828. Thank you to everyone for your continued support.

## **CLG Chloich Cheann Fhaola**

The numbers drawn were 3,15,4,2,9,19! No jackpot winner. We had 4 match 5s; Congratulations to Orlagh McGee who wins €100. Our jackpot is now €8,400. Tickets are available in various outlets throughout the parish in Batch, Centra, Post Office, Dee's, McGee's Petrol station, Shane McGee's in Falcarragh and in An Stór and McClafferty's Eurospar in Gortahork. You can also purchase online at the following link <https://clubforce.com/clubs/gaa-clg-chloich-cheann-fhaola/>

## **Cloughaneely Junior Band**

Next Week's Jackpot €8,650. There was no Jackpot winner. Winning numbers 1,5,8,12,16,20. 1 Match 5—Antoin Mulhern, Baltoney. Thank you to all the businesses for helping to sell our tickets and to everyone who buys them every week, we really appreciate your continued support.



**St. Vincent de Paul:** Local number: 087 1443464

**Cloughaneely Food Bank:** 083 348 9749

**MABS Gweedore:** 0818 072650