

PARÓISTE Naomh Fionán

16ú MÁRTA 2025 - AN DARA DOMHNACH DEN CHORGHAS - BLIAIN C

Reflection

Jesus' decision to go up the mountain was made at a time of uncertainty and worry for him. He recognised that his message about the Kingdom of God was not being understood and was leading to a confrontation with the Jewish authorities. It was a confrontation he knew he could not win, but it was also a confrontation he could not avoid without compromising the sacred mission he believed God had given him. Luke is clear that the reason why Jesus went up the mountain was to pray. This tells us something very important about Jesus. Firstly, it shows us his humanity. He did not have within himself 'all the answers' and like everyone else, he had to wait, reflect, at times worry, and pray for guidance and clarity. Jesus went up the mountain because he knew that he needed to pray. If Jesus needed to pray at that time, then how much more do we need to pray in our times of worry, doubt, turmoil or change? (and indeed also our times of joy, peace, success, etc). Just like Jesus said when he washed his disciples' feet, "...I leave you an example that you should do what I have done to you..." As we continue our journey through Lent, this example of prayer is something we might think about. Five, ten, or fifteen minutes spent alone with God in prayer – spent in conversation with God – will surely help us to prepare for the drama of Easter.



Cuimhneacháin Báis:

Veronica Doohan, Ballina.
Joe Gallagher, Drumfin & Ray and Bridie McClafferty, Fanmore, whose funerals took place here on Wednesday last.
Geordie McFadden, Glasserchoo, whose funeral took place in Cnocfolá on Thursday. (Brother of Theresa McKimm, Ballinass).

Anniversaries:

Eilish Mulligan, Ballyboes. Rose McGee, Derryreel. Francis McGinley. John Patrick Reid, Ballintemple. Danny Collins Jnr., Killult.
Maureen Corcoran, Kilmacrennan. Vinty Carr, Ballyconnell. John Mulligan, Carrowcannon.

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday 15th	7: 00 pm	Eilish Mulligan Rose McGee, Francis McGinley and John Patrick Reid	1st Anniversary Anniversaries
Sunday 16th	9: 00 am 11: 00 am	Aifreann don Phobal Danny Collins Jnr.	Anniversary
Monday 17th	10: 00 am	Aifreann don Phobal	
Lá Féile Pádraig	7: 00 pm	Maureen Corcoran	1st Anniversary
Tuesday 18th	7: 15 am 9:30 am	Mass Special Intention	
Wednesday 19th	7: 15 am 9: 30 am	Mass Special Intention	
Thursday 20th	7: 15 am 9: 30 am	Mass Special Intention	
Friday 21st	7: 15 am 7: 00 pm	Mass Vinty Carr	Anniversary
Saturday 22nd	11: 00 am 7: 00 pm	Mass in Latin John McClafferty, John Mulligan and Aisling and Mary Quigg	Anniversaries
Sunday 23rd	9: 00 am 11: 00 am	Aifreann don Phobal Gerry Sweeney	1st Anniversary

Confessions

6:15pm—6:45pm
Saturdays

Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesday:
Holy Hour: 9- 10 pm
Thursday: 10: 00 am – 9: 00 pm.
Thursday adoration includes the
Divine Mercy @ 5: 30 pm and
concludes with Rosary
@ 8: 30 pm

All Masses are available live

on:

www.naomhfionan.com
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Is é an Tiarna mo sholas is mo shlánú.

Child Safeguarding Notice

To report a suspicion, concern, or complaint of child abuse, either current or historical, please contact Margaret Northage, the Designated Liaison Person for the diocese, on 086 2183 011.

You are advised also to contact statutory authorities:

Tusla (Child & Family Agency) - Tel: 074 9102233

Gardaí National Protective Services Bureau - Tel: 01 6663430/6663435

In an emergency, please contact Letterkenny Garda Station –

Tel: 074 9167100.

Free Counselling & Support is available through Towards Healing, an independent organisation providing professional support for people who have experienced institutional, clerical or religious abuse in Ireland.

Freephone - Rol: 1800 303416

Freephone - N.Ireland & UK: 0800 0963315

Freephone - Hearing Impaired: 085 8022859

Ways to donate to parish funds

You can now make a donation to the Parish online by scanning the QR codes on the front of this newsletter, with your mobile phone camera. One QR code is for the Sunday Collection and one QR code is for the Graveyard Collection. You can also make donations by going to the parish website and clicking on the DONATE button. All donations are gratefully accepted.

Legion of Mary

The Annual Raphoe Legion of Mary Acies will be held at St Finian's Church, Falcarragh, on Sunday March 30th at 3pm.

Cros Cnoc Na Naomh

Church Gate Collection will take place on 22nd/23rd March 2025.

To help pay for the lights, electricity and repairs on the cross. The lit cross is a comfort and inspiration for all who see it. Go raibh míle maith agaibh.

Father Paul's Bench

Sincere thanks to the Men's Shed for repairing Fr. Paul's bench so expertly and to Kevin and the CE workers, Fred, Mickey and Pádraig, for putting it back in situ so skilfully. Míle buíochas daoibh go léir.

Pilgrimage to Poland 2025

Fr Eamonn Kelly will lead a pilgrimage to Krakow, August 20-26, 2025. We will visit the Divine Mercy Shrine, Our Lady of Czestochowa, the birthplace of St John Paul II, Wawel Castle and Cathedral, Auschwitz and many other places. Accommodation in the beautiful medieval centre of Krakow. €995. Please phone 057 9355050 for more information or email: info@myriam.ie

Lourdes Pilgrimage

Due to demand The Raphoe Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes has added another date to this year's Pilgrimage. Sunday 18th May departing from Dublin, returning Friday 23rd. This is a 5-night stay in Lourdes, with a Full Pilgrimage Programme with the Raphoe Diocese Pilgrimage, led by Pilgrimage Director, Fr Stephen Gorman. Cost is €925 which includes 5 Nights, Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner in the Agena Hotel, return bus transfers from Letterkenny to Dublin, all taxes and levies. To book contact Joe Walsh Tours on 01 2410800.

Pilgrimage to Medjugorje -3rd September 2025

A Pilgrimage to Medjugorje will take place on 3rd September 2025 afternoon flight for 7 nights with Spiritual Director.

For further information and to book please contact Kathleen on 086-3721962 or Mairead on 087-7698195

Preparing for Marriage?

Weekend residential courses available. 23-25 May or 19-21 September 2025. Details: www.grasta.org or at info@grasta.org

Padre Pio Pilgrimage

From the 27th of May until the 4th of June 2025 taking in San Giovanni Rotondo and Alba Adriatica. For further details contact Nuala on 087 2850862.

Medjugorje Easter 2025.

April 15th x 7 nights. Ex Dublin with Spiritual Director. More information from Bernie @ 087 935 3953.

Donegal County Council Exhibition

Donegal County Council is seeking photographs of Donegal people at work in Scotland between 1940 and 1990 for an upcoming exhibition. Participants are encouraged to share images, stories, documents or objects that reflect the working lives of Donegal people in Scotland. For more information contact: donegalScotland@donegalcoco.ie or (074) 916 3824. The exhibition will be launched in spring 2025.

Dates for Diary 2025

Ballina Estate Mass:

Sunday 22nd June @ 11:00 am

Graveyard Sunday:

Sunday 3rd August @ 1: 00 pm

A Prayer for Emigrants

Lord,
Bless all those who have left our country
and now live in other lands.
Give them a strong faith
so that they will always
put their trust in you
and make you known
by the example of their lives.
Console those who are lonely
because they are separated
from those they love.
Help all missionaries who are working far from home
to make your love known.
Bless our people overseas
who are sick or in prison.
We pray for foreigners
living in our country
that they may experience our hospitality.
Grant your eternal welcome
to our emigrants who have died
and for all the dead.
Amen.



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Cloughaneely Food Bank: 083 348 9749

MABS Gweedore: 0818 072650