

# PARÓISTE Naomh Fionán

11Ú BEALTAINÉ 2025 - AN CEATHRÚ DOMHNACH DEN CHÁISC - C

## Reflection

The fourth Sunday of Easter is also called Good Shepherd Sunday.

We may be less familiar with the metaphors of sheep and shepherd than those to whom Jesus spoke. The image of Jesus as Good Shepherd and the community of followers as his sheep has endured over the centuries as a primary image in our faith tradition.

Its power to describe the relationship between Jesus and his followers transcends direct experience with sheep. The image speaks to us about the protection, security, and care that shepherds represent for their sheep.

Today's Gospel speaks powerfully about the familiarity and intimacy between Jesus and his disciples, expressed as recognizing and knowing another's voice. Today's Gospel also speaks of the relationship between Jesus and the Father. In the Gospel of John, Jesus identifies so closely with the Father that he tells us that they are one - not just close, but actually one. To know Jesus is to know the Father. Jesus doesn't just bring us closer to the Father, Jesus puts us directly into contact with God the Father, removing all distance between us.

Our relationship with Jesus is an invitation to share in the life of God.



### Cuimhneacháin Báis:

Johnny Whoriskey, Middle Keeldrum, and Joe Ferry, Ardsbeg, whose funerals took place in Gortahork during the week..

### Anniversaries:

Pat McClafferty, Ballyconnell. Ellen Dixon, Ballintemple. Michael McGinley, Creeslough.

## MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday 10th	7: 00 pm	Pat McClafferty	Anniversary
Sunday 11th	9: 00 am	Aifreann don Phobal	
	11: 00 am	Ellen Dixon	1st Anniversary
Monday 12th	9: 30 am	Private Intention	
Tuesday 13th	9: 30 am	Special Intention	
Wednesday 14th	9: 30 am	Private Intention	
Thursday 15th	9: 30 am	Michael McGinley	Anniversary
Friday 16th	7: 00 pm	Mass	
Saturday 17th	11: 00 am	Mass in Latin	
	7: 00 pm	Nellie Mc Fadden	1st Anniversary
Sunday 18th	9: 00 am	Aifreann don Phobal	
	11: 00 am	Brigid Coyle	Month's Mind

## 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  
& Parish Radio @ 106.5 FM

Please scan the QR code below to donate to either Falcarragh Church or Graveyard Collection

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Graveyard Collection



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# Fógraí

## **Freagra an tSailm:**

***Sinne a phobal agus caoirigh a pháirce.***

## **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.

## **Gaoth Dobhair Church Collection**

In solidarity with the Parish of Gaoth Dobhair as it addresses the destruction of their Parish Church by fire, collections will be held across the Diocese.

We will be holding our collection on the weekend of 17th and 18th May. All support is very much appreciated.

## **Graveyard Litter**

Grass cutting in the graveyard has commenced, however, this cannot be achieved properly as many graves are littered with old wreaths and broken glass. Please tidy your family plot and remove all litter. Thank you.

## **2025 Rosary Rally**

All parishioners are invited to a Public Square Rally at 4pm **this** Saturday, 10th May 2025, outside Bank of Ireland, Falcarragh. This Public Square Rosary, sponsored by 'Ireland Needs Fatima', will be one of over 570 rallies that will take place all across Ireland on that day, to offer reparation for the sins and offences committed against the Immaculate Heart of Mary and to fervently pray for the conversion of Ireland.

## **Legion of Mary Annual Retreat**

Sunday 11th May at 10am in Ards Friary

€30 including 3 course lunch.

To book, for catering purposes, please phone 087 6889535.

## **Annual Remembrance Service**

The annual Remembrance Service for families who have suffered the loss of their baby through Miscarriage, Still-birth or Neo-Natal Death and for families who have suffered the death of their much loved child at Letterkenny University Hospital will take place on \*SUNDAY 11th MAY at 3pm in Conwal & Leck, CHURCH of IRELAND, Letterkenny\*

The Management & Chaplains at Letterkenny University Hospital extend a warm welcome to everyone for this Remembrance Service.

## **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

## **Donegal County Council**

Donegal County Council is seeking your help to record the stories of Donegal people who worked in Scotland between 1940 and 1990. As part of the Working Over By Smartphone Competition, you're invited to record a short video on your phone sharing a memory of your work. One participant will win a return flight for two between Donegal and Glasgow. Closing date for entries is Friday, May 30. For more information contact [donegalScotland@donegalcoco.ie](mailto:donegalScotland@donegalcoco.ie)

## **Cloughaneely Junior Band**

There was no Jackpot winner. Numbers drawn were 1-3-6-10-13-20.

2 Match 5 winners: Laura Brogan €50 and Maeve Curran €50.

Next Week's Jackpot €9850.

## **Folúntas ar Scéim Shóisialta Tuaithe**

Vacancies for general workers on the Rural Social Scheme at Cloughaneely Golf Club and at Magheroarty Community Centre. To be eligible to participate on the scheme you must meet the criteria as laid down by the Department of Social protection. If you are interested in any one of these schemes please contact Roisín on 087 9180008 for Golf Club or Maria on 074 9135556 for Magheroarty Community Centre before midday on Friday 16th May 2025.

## **Pobail Le Chéile - AGM 2025**

Wednesday 4th June at 6pm at Garradh Cholm Cille. All welcome. For more information contact: Pobail Le Chéile's Manager Manus O Domhnaill on 083 186 7865 or email [PobailLeC@gmail.com](mailto:PobailLeC@gmail.com)

Are you a redhead? Then be part of "RUA", a an arts and community project about the beauty and uniqueness of red hair. Come to an informal photoshoot in Garradh Cholmille, Falcarragh on Saturday May 10, anytime between 2 and 4pm. No need to register. You'll be part of red head photo mosaic and you'll be in a chance to win a painted portrait of yourself. If you have any questions, please contact Maria at [mariagasolart@gmail.com](mailto:mariagasolart@gmail.com) or on FB at Maria Gasol Art.

## **Coiste Glan agus Glas**

Cuidiú de dhith. This is a very busy time for The Tidy Towns committee as we prepare for this year's judging. We are seeking volunteers to help us with some of work. An odd hour of your time would be greatly appreciated. Perhaps you could join us in Strand Road garden on Wednesday next 14th at 6pm to do a little weeding and tidying up. Beidh faillte romhaibh!

## **Ionad Naomh Fionán**

Congratulations to our 50/50 Draw winner this week, Denis Mullaney, who won €1063.00!

We are pleased to announce our recent fundraising event, Coffee Morning for Cassie, raised €1,529.00. A very special thank you to those who attended, donated and supported the fundraiser in any way. We are grateful to you all and pleased to pass over the funds raised of €1,529.00 to help assist Cassie and her family on their journey to Holland and her upcoming bone marrow treatment. We wish Cassie all the very best.

Bingo every Monday night at 8p.m. . Next week's jackpot prize is €3400.

Gymnastics on Wednesdays from 4.00pm-7.00p.m.

Irish Dancing Thursdays from 4.30pm-6.30pm.

Ladies Pilates on Thursdays from 6:30-7:30p.m. and Mixed Pilates Fridays 10-11a.m. Contact Victoria for enquiries or to book your place on 087 3297169.

Some party dates available on Saturdays and Sundays throughout the summer months. Summer Camp will begin on July 7th 2025 for 5 weeks. Please contact us to reserve a place. Camp times are 10 a.m. to 3 p.m daily, cost is €50 per week. Contact 074 9165750 /087 7063018 or email [ionadnf@gmail.com](mailto:ionadnf@gmail.com)

## **Dates for Diary 2025**

Ballina Estate Mass:

Sunday 22nd June @ 11:00 am

Graveyard Sunday:

Sunday 3rd August @ 1: 00 pm



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

**Cloughaneely Food Bank:** 083 348 9749

**MABS Gweedore:** 0818 072650