

# Paróiste Naomh Fionán

8Ú FEABHRA 2026 - AN CÚIGIÚ DOMHNACH DEN BHLIAIN - A

## Reflection

Today we take light for granted. Hard as it to believe, there was a time when there was no electricity and immediate light at the touch of a button was unheard of. This made dispelling the darkness difficult, if not impossible. The poor could not afford candles or oil lamps or even wood for the fire. They went to bed with sundown and darkness. Even for those who could afford candles or an oil lamp, the light they gave off was poor and limited. This was the world in which Jesus lived.

In the gospel this Sunday, Jesus uses light, a very common thing to describe the quality needed to be his follower and disciple. The words he uses are as equally challenging as they encouraging. In the Gospel of John there is a constant battle between light and darkness. Nicodemus, the Pharisee, visits Jesus at night, Jesus heals a man born into a world of darkness because he is blind, and when Judas leaves the table during the last supper, we are told that it was night. Yet it is into this darkness that Jesus comes with the good news. Also in John's gospel, Jesus proclaims these words of hope and encouragement, 'I am the light of the world; anyone who follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life'.



### Cuimhneacháin Báis: Bridgín

Seamus Doogan, Ballinass, who died on Wednesday.

### Anniversaries:

Kathleen Doogan, Ballina. Gertie Boyle, Ballina. Con Doherty, Station Road, and deceased family members. Jimmy Ned Cannon, Ballina. Jerry Carr, Ray. Sr. Loreta McKean, Abbey House, Rathfarnham, Dublin.

## MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

<b>Saturday 7th</b>	<b>7: 00 pm</b>	Kathleen Doogan Gertie Boyle Con Doherty	Anniversary Anniversary Anniversary
<b>Sunday 8th</b>	<b>9: 00 am</b> <b>10: 30 am</b>	Aifreann don Phobal Jimmy Ned Cannon	Anniversary
<b>Monday 9th</b>	<b>9: 30 am</b>	Private Intention	
<b>Tuesday 10th</b>	<b>9: 30 am</b>	Jerry Carr	Anniversary
<b>Wednesday 11th</b>	<b>9: 30 am</b>	Private Intention	
<b>Thursday 12th</b>	<b>9: 30 am</b>	Private Intention	
<b>Friday 13th</b>	<b>7: 00 pm</b>	Sr. Loreto McKean	Anniversary
<b>Saturday 14th</b>	<b>11: 00 am</b> <b>7: 00 pm</b>	Latin Mass Mary Boyle Joe Kelly Kathleen Lynch	Anniversary Anniversary Anniversary
<b>Sunday 15th</b>	<b>9: 00 am</b> <b>10: 30 am</b>	Aifreann don Phobal Mass	

## 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](http://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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# FÓGRAÍ

## **Freagra an tSailm:**

***Solas sa dorcharas is ea an dea-dhuine ag daoine ionraice.***

## **HOW TO REPORT CLERICAL ABUSE**

If you have a concern, or complaint of child abuse, either current or historical, please contact:

Designated Liaison Person, Margaret Northage on: 086 2183 011 or by email: [safeguarding@raphoediocese.ie](mailto:safeguarding@raphoediocese.ie).

You are advised also to contact statutory authorities:

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

Gardaí National Protective Services Bureau - Tel: 01 6663430/6663435 or email: [GNPSB\\_SCMU@garda.ie](mailto:GNPSB_SCMU@garda.ie).

Free Counselling & Support is available through Towards Healing:

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.

## **The Raphoe Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2026**

The Raphoe Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes will hold a Church Gate Collection next weekend, Saturday 7th & Sunday 8th of February 2026.

Your support would be greatly appreciated.

The Raphoe Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2026 will depart from The City of Derry Airport on Monday 25th May for 4 nights. The Pilgrimage will be led by Monsignor, Kevin Gillespie, with Pilgrimage Director, Fr Stephen Gorman.

The cost of the Pilgrimage is €939 per person. This includes direct return flights from City of Derry Airport to Lourdes, full religious programme, all airport transfers in Lourdes, taxes and Sanctuary Levy, four nights' accommodation in selected hotels, with breakfast, lunch and dinner each day. Single room supplement of €39 per night. All bookings should be made through Joe Walsh Tours DIRECTLY on 01 2410800. Anyone wishing to travel with the Special Assisted Section should apply to: Raphoe Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes, Pilgrimage Director, Fr Stephen Gorman, Parochial House, Chapel Road, Rathmullan, Co Donegal, F92 D4F3. Email [lourdes@raphoediocese.ie](mailto:lourdes@raphoediocese.ie) or phone 074 9158156 for further information. The Special Assisted/Sick Section is accommodated at the Accueil Notre Dame. Acceptance for travel with the Special Assisted Section for the sick is subject to approval of the Raphoe Pilgrimage Medical Board.

## **Epilepsy Ireland Collection**

The Annual Church Gate Collection for Brainwave-Irish Epilepsy Association will take place next weekend 14th/15 February before all Masses. Please support this worthy cause. Anyone prepared to give a helping hand, please contact Marian on 086 1565346.

## **Pilgrimage to Medjugorje**

A Pilgrimage to Medjugorje will take place on 2nd September 2026 for 7 Nights with Spiritual Director -Cost €949 per person sharing. For further information Contact Mairead 087-7698195 or Kathleen 086-3721962.

## **Cairde Muire Lourdes 2026.**

24th June x 5 nights. €995. Ex Dublin. Hotel Padoue.

Spiritual Director. An Sagart Pádraig Ó Baoighill. More info from Bernie McBride 087 935 3953

Pilgrimage to Medjugorje Easter 2026

March 31st x 7 nights. ex Dublin. with Spiritual Director.

More info from Bernie McBride 087 935 3953

## **San Giovanni Rotondo and Assisi**

Departing 26th June for 7 nights. Spiritual Director is

Fr. Ciarán Harkin. Group leader Nuala Slevin. For more info please contact Patricia on 087 2850862.

## **Food Bank Appeal**

The Food Bank is very low on supplies at the moment so any non perishable goods are urgently required. Food bins have been left in the 4 porches for any goods donated.

## **Falcarragh Community Organisation**

Vacancy for Assistant Supervisor to start in March 2026.

Assistant Supervisor must have previous office management/supervisory experience, be computer literate with the necessary skills to undertake all of the administration duties required for the scheme at this level, be able to work as part of a team, have knowledge of community activities and work and have good communication and inter-personal skills. It would be an advantage to have knowledge of Payroll and Online Banking. To apply, forward a cover letter and your C.V. to [falcarraghce@gmail.com](mailto:falcarraghce@gmail.com) Applications must be received before 5.00pm Friday 20th of February 2026.

## **Pobail le Chéile**

Canadh le Chéile-Sing Together

Community Signing Group starting on Thursday 26th February from

7.30pm-9.30pm in Ionad Garradh Cholmille. Contact Ania

Horhowski 083 390 8898 for more info/if interested in bringing children.

Fáilte roimh chách. Supported by Pobail Le Chéile.

## **Cloughaneely Junior Band**

Lotto Results 29/01/26

Uimhreacha na seachtaine: 1-10-11-12-15-18

Match 5 winner: Comhghairdeas le Muireann Doogan €100.

€3,750 sa phota óir an tseachtain seo. Tarraingt gach Déardaoin.

## **Ionad Naomh Fionnan**

Congratulations to Joe Sheehey, winner of our 50/50 prize amount of €1037 this week. Tickets are available in all local businesses, online and with Patsy at the Hut each Friday. We are so pleased to be shortlisted again this year in the Highland Radio Awards 2026 in the Tourism and hospitality sector. Thank you to all who have voted. Voting is now open for the second round of votes. We would appreciate your support. Links to vote are in the highland radio website or on our social media pages.

We will be launching our new website in the coming weeks. All classes and event times will be updated regularly and you will have the option to register and make secure online payment for some classes, events, meeting rooms and Astro pitch bookings.

Classes continue Tuesday with Chair Aerobics at 10:30a.m. Turbo Tuesdays at 7p.m. Gymnastics for children aged 4years plus every Wednesday from 4-7p.m. We have spaces available in some age groups. Zumba is a fun way to workout with Claire every Wednesday at 7:30p.m. Pilates class is on Thursday evenings at 6:45p.m. and on Friday mornings at 9:45a.m. Suitable for all levels. Forristal School of Dance every Friday from 3:30p.m.

Astro pitch is available to hire per hour. Contact us for available time slots. Our meeting rooms are available to book for meetings/events or family occasions. Thank you all for your continued support. For queries or bookings please email [ionadnf@gmail.com](mailto:ionadnf@gmail.com) or call/text 074 9165750/087 7063018.

## **CLG Chloich Cheann Fhaola**

The numbers drawn were 4,17,5,10,22,12! We had 12 match 4s.

Congratulations to James Ferry who wins €100!!! The jackpot is now €4,450.

Tickets are available in various outlets throughout the parish and online at <https://clubforce.com/clubs/gaa-clg-chloich-cheann-fhaola/>

## **Dates for 2026**

**Ash Wednesday**

**Easter Sunday**

**1st Holy Communion**

**Graveyard Sunday Mass**

- **18th February**

- **5th April**

- **2nd May @ 12 noon**

- **2nd August @ 1: 00 pm**



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

**Cloughaneely Food Bank:** 083 348 9749

**MABS Gweedore:** 0818 072650