

PARÓISTE Naomh Fionán

19Ú IÚIL 2026 - AN SÉÚ DOMHNACH DÉAG - A

Reflection

In today's Gospel, Jesus offers three parables to describe the Kingdom of Heaven.

The first parable alerts us to the two-fold reality of the Kingdom of Heaven.

The beginnings of the Kingdom of Heaven can be found in this world. The fruition of the Kingdom of Heaven, however, will not be realised until the final judgment. In the meantime, as Jesus' explanation to the disciples cautions any effort to judge the progress of the Kingdom of Heaven is premature. Only God, in the final judgment, will distinguish the fruit of the Kingdom of Heaven and offer its reward.

The second and third parables call to our attention the abundance that will result from the small beginnings of the Kingdom of Heaven. Just as a mustard seed—the smallest of all seeds—will become a large bush, so too God will bring his Kingdom to full bloom. As a small amount of yeast will leaven the entire batch of bread, so too God will bring about the expansion of his Kingdom. In each case the image is of the superabundance that God brings out of even the smallest of signs of the Kingdom.

Contained within these parables are words of caution as well as words of consolation. In the parable of the sower we are warned against judging others. To judge and uproot the "weeds" prematurely will harm the wheat; final judgment rests with God. In the parables of the mustard seed and the yeast, we are consoled by the message that God can work wonders and produce abundance from even the smallest beginnings of the Kingdom of Heaven.



Cuimhneacháin Báis:

Harry Reid, Ballintemple and Edinburgh.

Gerard McKenna, Craigtown, Falcarragh and Glengormley.

Nellie McGee, Glasserchoo, whose funeral took place in Gortahork on Tuesday.

Pat O'Connor, husband of Annie McFadden, Ray and Glasgow.

Anniversaries:

Enda Barrett, Ballyconnell. John Pat and Rosaleen Gallagher, Ballintemple.

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday 18th	7: 00 pm	Enda Barrett	Anniversary
Sunday 19th	9: 00 am	Aifreann don Phobal	
	10: 30 am	Mass	
Monday 20th	9: 30 am	Private Intention	
Tuesday 21st	9: 30 am	Private Intention	
Wednesday 22nd	9: 30 am	Private Intention	
Thursday 23rd	9: 30 am	Private Intention	
Friday 24th	7: 00 pm	John Pat and Rosaleen Gallagher	Anniversaries
Saturday 25th	11: 00 am	Latin Mass	
	7: 00 pm	Dominic, Annie, Eamonn and Dominic Óg Gallagher	Anniversaries
Sunday 26th	9: 00 am	Aifreann don Phobal	
	10: 30 am	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

& 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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Tá tú go maith is go ceansa, a Thiarna.

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.

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.

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.

Food Bank Appeal

The Food Bank is in dire straits at the moment, very low on supplies, so non perishable goods are very urgently required. Food bins have been left in the 4 porches for any goods donated. If anyone needs help please contact us on 085 7560177 or call on Thursday mornings between 10am and 12pm.

Cemetery Sunday

Mass will be celebrated in the graveyard on Sunday 2nd August at 1pm. Please note there won't be Mass at 10:30 am on this day.

Graveyard Mass can be viewed live on <https://bit.ly/SweeneyFuneral>

Families are encouraged to do their best to clear family plots of withered flowers and ensure that your family plot is prepared for Cemetery Sunday. Please do not dispose of wreaths, flowers and other grave items within the graveyard itself or on the periphery outside the walls. Thank you for your cooperation.

Cleanliness

It's been brought to our attention on many occasions the amount of dog litter that is in the graveyard, footpaths and church grounds. It would be appreciated if such litter would be cleaned up immediately by dog owners and that this is kept under control in future.

The Raphoe Diocesan Pilgrimage

The Raphoe Diocesan Pilgrimage will take place on Saturday the 15th of August 2026. The main celebrant is Bishop Niall Coll. His talk is titled "Our Lady: A Quiet Shelter of God's Love."

Full details of the speakers for the 2026 Novena can be found at <https://www.knockshrine.ie/national-novena-2026-guest-speakers-and-programme/> - NOVENA - 13TH - 21ST AUGUST 2026

For parishioners who cannot join the pilgrimage in person, all the Masses and talks will be livestreamed on the Knock Shrine website or on YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/@KnockShrineCeremonies/featured>

33 Day Consecration to the Eucharist

Consecrate yourself to the Eucharist on the Feast of Our Lady of Knock! Human Life International will be leading a 33 Day Consecration to the Eucharist online with videos uploaded each day. Starting 19th July - 20th August, on the HLI Ireland YouTube Channel. You can participate by watching the videos, or get the book "How to Be His" by Fr Jesse Maingot OP.

Cheapest book link for UK/Ireland:

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Youth to Medjugorje

A Church Gate Collection to help fund 29 teenagers from the Diocese for the annual Medjugorje Pilgrimage will take place the weekend of the 25/26th July. Any support would be greatly appreciated.

National Grandparents Pilgrimage

Knock Shrine on Sunday, 26th July 2026, celebrating the sixth World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly.

Mary's Meals

We are delighted, in fact thrilled, to announce that Fr Eamonn Kelly is getting rid of the beard in a sponsored beard and head shave. It will take place at the Diamond, Donegal Town on Saturday 11 July from Noon to 4pm. Mary's Meals are presently feeding 3,060,011 children every day in school and €22 provides food for a child for a full school year. Any support is greatly appreciated. Please see QR code.



Cloughaneely Junior Band

Lotto Results 9th July

Uimhreacha na seachtaine: 3-4-8-10-16-18

Match 5 winner

Sean Ó Gallachóir, online winner €100.

€3,300 sa phota óir. Tarraingt gach Déardaoin.

Good luck to all the band members competing in the Ulster Fleadh on Sunday in Warrenpoint Co Down

Ionad Naomh Fionnán

Gymnastics Camp takes place from 10-14th August, 10a.m.-2p.m., €55 per child, €100 for two children per family. Limited spaces available. Contact us by email at ionadnf@gmail.com or call/text 087 7063018 to book.

Notice of Annual General Meeting [AGM]

Cóiste Forbartha An Fhál Carraigh will hold their AGM on Tuesday 21 July 2026 at 8p.m. in Ionad Naomh Fionnán. All members of the community are welcome to attend.

Pobail Le Chéile

Trip to Glenveagh

On Wednesday 22nd July we're going on a Nature/Photography walk in Glenveagh facilitated by James O'Donnell.

This free trip is suitable for 12-14 year olds. We're very grateful to DLDC, DYS, ETB and Siopa Pobail for their support.

Booking essential 086 455 7519.

The Sea Collective

Join us for an introduction to citizen science and let's find out together!

Explore the Falcarragh Back Strand on Wednesday 29th July 11am-1pm.

Organised by Pobail Le Chéile with support from LAWPRO.

To book text 086 455 7519

Family Carers Ireland

Are you feeling overwhelmed, have a query or simply want to discuss your caring role? Family Carers Ireland are running 1.1 support clinics remotely every Tuesday for the months of July and August. These clinics offer you a space and time talk over the phone in the comfort of your own home. To Book Call/text 0868363842 or email Donegalcs@familycarers.ie

Date for your Diary

Graveyard Sunday	-	Sunday 2nd August.
Aifreann don Phobal	-	9: 00 am
No 10:30 am Mass		
Graveyard Mass	-	1: 00 pm



St. Vincent de Paul: Local number: 087 1443464

Cloughaneely Food Bank: 085 7560177

MABS Gweedore: 0818 072650