

## St. Fintan's Parish, Ballyfin

Sat. 6<sup>th</sup> – Sun. 7<sup>th</sup> Jan. The Baptism of the Lord.

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### Mass Times Anniversaries Fri. 5<sup>th</sup> - Sun. 14<sup>th</sup> Jan.

Fri. 5<sup>th</sup> Jan. 5.00 pm Exposition of Bl. Sacrament

Sat. 6<sup>th</sup> Jan. 8.00 pm Feast of the Epiphany

Sun. 7<sup>th</sup> Jan. 10.00 am [The Baptism of the Lord.](#)

Patrick (Paudge) Quinn, Pallas. 5<sup>th</sup> Anniv

Fri. 12<sup>th</sup> Jan. 5.00 pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.

Sat. 13<sup>th</sup> Jan. 8.00 pm Vigil Mass – Family.

**Sun. 14<sup>th</sup> Jan. 10.00 am** Mai. O'Rourke (nee Conroy) Springfield  
1<sup>st</sup> Anniv.

### Month's Mind Mass

Sat. 20<sup>th</sup> Jan. 8.00 pm Fr. Terry Moore,  
Salt Lake City, Utah, Formerly, O'Moore Forest.

### 1<sup>st</sup> Anniv. Remembrance

Sat. 3<sup>rd</sup> Feb. 8.00 pm Pat Hooban  
Cherrygarth, Portlaoise. Formerly Upper Sconce.

### Ministries Rota Sat 13<sup>th</sup> - Sun. 14<sup>th</sup> Jan.

Reader Min. of Holy Comm

Sat. 13<sup>th</sup> 8.00 pm Catherine Carroll

Sun. 14<sup>th</sup> 10.00 am Ann Heffernan

### Church Cleaners for Jan. Group 1

Ann Quinn - Mary Gorman - Martina Makem

### Collectors for Jan.

Sat. Richard Duff Sun. Denis Daly

Readers, you are most welcome to collect the  
new 2024 Sunday Missals which are now  
available. (On top of the Organ)

*Thank You for your continued involvement in and commitment  
to our Parish through your participation in our Parish  
Ministries during the year.*

## School Enrolment

Ballyfin National School will be accepting applications  
for admissions to Junior Infants for the school year  
2024/25 from Monday January 8<sup>th</sup> to Monday January  
29<sup>th</sup>. Application forms and more information can be  
found at [www.ballyfinns.weebly.com](http://www.ballyfinns.weebly.com) or by contacting  
the school at [office@ballyfinns.ie](mailto:office@ballyfinns.ie) or 057 8755225'.

### We keep and hold in our Thoughts and Prayers

People, their families and carers, who are ill – at home, in  
Hospital or Nursing Home or undergoing any surgical or  
medical procedures

*Lord, for  
your faithful  
people, life is  
changed, not  
ended*

The Sacrament of Confirmation  
will be celebrated in Mountrath  
/ Ballyfin Parishes on  
**Fri. 26<sup>th</sup> April 2024**  
The Ceremony in Ballyfin  
Parish Church will Commence  
at 2.30 pm Bishop Denis will  
lead us in both our  
Celebrations.

### Cemetery Masses 2024

Ballyfin Sun. 9<sup>th</sup> June

Mountrath Fri. 28<sup>th</sup> June

Clonenagh Fri. 5<sup>th</sup> July

(Cemetery on Left)

Clondarrig Wed. 7<sup>th</sup> Aug.

Boghlonge Wed. 4<sup>th</sup> Sept.

All Cemetery Masses will  
commence at 7.00 pm

## Ballyfin Parish Lotto

3<sup>rd</sup> Jan. Nos. Drawn

3 19 20 27

22 Match 3's won € 46 ea.

1 Local Winner

Majella and Kieran O'Connor  
Promoter, Paul Dunne.

### New Jackpot €14,000

A very sincere thank you - for your  
very generous support of and  
continued commitment to Ballyfin  
Parish Lotto throughout the year.

### Safeguarding Children Parish Reps.

Ballyfin Par. Triona O'Rourke and Peter Byrne

Mountrath Par. Caroline Moore Pachelli Walsh

Diocesan Designated Liaison Person:

Ms. Ailish Higgins. Deputy Diocesan Liaison

Michelle Hughes, c/o Bishop's House,

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### Ballyfin Parish Income

23/24<sup>th</sup> December 2023

112 Envelopes.....€1,234.00

Offertory Collection....€214.25

Lenten Stations.....€90.00

Easter Dues..... €90.00

Autumn Dues.....€170.00

November Stations....€210.00

Altar List of the Dead...€40.00

Christmas Dues.....€1,225.00

Retired Priest Fund.....€10.00

World Mission.....€40.00

24/25 December 2023

45 Envelopes..... €1,900.00

Offertory Collection...€1,184.46

Easter Dues..... €20.00

Autumn Dues..... €120.00

November Stations....€220.00

Altar List of the Dead...€70.00

Christmas Dues.....€3,215.00

30/31<sup>st</sup> December 2023

40 Envelopes.....€580.00

Offertory Collection...€248.85

November Stations.....€50.00

Christmas Dues.....€310.00

Candle Shrine..... €101.56

A very sincere thank you - to  
you and your family - for your  
very generous support of and  
continued commitment to  
Ballyfin Parish throughout the  
year.

### Note from Diocesan Office in Carlow

### Safeguarding Evening, Thurs. Jan. 25<sup>th</sup>, Mt St Annes

An evening for priests and local safeguarding representatives will be  
held in Mt St Annes on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> January. The evening will be led by  
Dr Jesse Rogers who will give an address on "The Theology of  
Safeguarding" Representatives from Parish Youth Groups will also give  
information on how their youth groups are working and the engagement  
they are receiving from young people and the wider parish community.  
Tea and coffee will be available from 7pm and all parish clergy and  
safeguarding representatives are encouraged to attend.  
Please make sure all LSR's and clergy in your Parish are aware of this  
evening.

### Bridie (Bridget) Nicholson (Nee Higgins) Oxford, England (Formerly The Knocks) R.I.P.

We pray for Bridie who died peacefully on Christmas Day (Mon. Dec. 25<sup>th</sup> Dec)  
(Beloved sister to Annie and the late Kathleen and brother P.J.) Bridie's Funeral  
Mass will be celebrated in St. Fintan's Church, Ballyfin on Sat. 13<sup>th</sup> Jan. followed  
by burial in Ballyfin Cemetery. We extend sympathy to her husband, Sean,  
daughter Paula sons Gabriel and Alan, sister Annie (Carroll) son in law Cliff,  
daughters in law Joan and Mandy, grandchildren, nieces, nephews, relatives  
and friends. *May Bridie rest in the peace of Christ.*