

## St. Fintan's Parish, Ballyfin

Sat. 15<sup>th</sup> - Sun. 16<sup>th</sup> April 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter

### Divine Mercy Sunday

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## Diary Dates for 2023

Sacrament of Confirmation  
Ballyfin Parish Fri. 12th May 11.00 am  
Main Celebrant, Bishop Denis Nulty  
1st Holy Communion Date  
Mountrath Parish Sun. 7th May  
Scoil Bhride and St. Fintan's  
The Hollow Ch. Sun. 21st May 9.00 am  
With children of Gaelscoil Thromaire.

## Ballyfin Parish Income

8<sup>th</sup> - 9<sup>th</sup> April

|                 |            |
|-----------------|------------|
| 82 Envelopes    | € 1,220.82 |
| Offertory Coll. | € 488.83   |
| Lenten Stations | € 1,255.00 |
| Easter Dues     | € 1,970.00 |
| Trocaire        | € 1,310.85 |

*Sincere thanks for your most generous contributions*

## Mass Times Anniversaries Sat. 15<sup>th</sup> - Sun. 23<sup>rd</sup> April

Sat. 15<sup>th</sup> Apr. 8.00 pm Julia Fitzpatrick, Ross. 12<sup>th</sup> Anniv.  
Sun. 16<sup>th</sup> Apr. 10.00 am Edward and Mary Brennan, Brockera.  
Mon. 17<sup>th</sup> Apr. 7.00 pm Apostolate of Sanctification  
Fri. 21<sup>st</sup> Apr. 5.00 pm Exposition of Blessed Sacrament  
7.30 pm John (Johnny) Downey, Clondarrig. 5<sup>th</sup> Anniv.  
and Deceased members of Downey Family.

Sat. 22<sup>nd</sup> Apr. 8.00 pm *Lord, for your faithful people, Life is changed, not ended*

Sun. 23<sup>rd</sup> Apr. 10.00 am

Mon. 24<sup>th</sup> April 7.00 pm Apostolate of Sanctification

## Escorted Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine

Sun. 23<sup>rd</sup> April - € 499.00 per person sharing. Price includes return train, 3 nights in Knock House Hotel with full board. All entertainment and excursions included. Day trips to Westport, Ballintubber Abbey, Croagh Patrick. Fr. Payton Centre. Single supplement € 100.00.

Contact Patricia on 087 1890 236 or email [knockpilgrimage@gmail.com](mailto:knockpilgrimage@gmail.com)

## Social Dancing (In)

St. Philomena's Hall, Mountrath  
Mon. 1<sup>st</sup> May. (May Bank Holiday)

Music by Declan Aunger.

9.00 pm - 12.30

Refreshments will be served

Subscription €10.00

You are most welcome.

## Ballyfin Parish 1st Holy Communion Dates

Sun. 21st May 2023 Time 2.00 pm

(With children of Ballyfin NS)

Sun. 28th May Time 2.00 pm

(With children of Barnashrone NS)

## We keep and hold in our thoughts and prayers

People, their families and carers, who are ill or unwell - at home, in hospital or Nursing Home or undergoing any surgical or medical procedures. - We wish them a speedy recovery.

## Bridie McCloskey (nee McCullagh) Formerly Ross. R.I.P.

We pray for Bridie who died peacefully on Thurs. 13<sup>th</sup> Apr. (formerly of Ross, Ballyfin). Predeceased by her husband Barney McCloskey. Living since 1999 in Carrickmore, Tyrone. Missed by her daughter Anne Marie, 6 grandchildren, 6 great grandchildren, her loving nieces and nephews, wide circle of friends Bridie will be laid to rest at 2pm Sunday, in the Parish she grew up in, Greencastle, Co. Tyrone. *May Bridie rest in the peace of Christ.*

## St Peter and Paul's Church, Portlaoise

Celebration of Divine Mercy Sunday starting at 2.00 pm on this Sunday (16<sup>th</sup> April)

## Ministries Rota Sat. 22<sup>nd</sup> Sun. 23<sup>rd</sup> April

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|-----------------------|------------------------|--------------------|
|                       | Reader                 | Min. of Holy Comm. |
| Sat. 22 <sup>nd</sup> | 8.00 pm Mary Finn      | Adrian Greene      |
| Sun 23 <sup>rd</sup>  | 10.00 am Andrea Cashin | Maria Dowling      |

## Church Cleaners for April (Group 6)

Kathleen O'Connor, Emma Fitzpatrick,  
Sinead Leonard, Siobhan Hooban, Gwen Dunne  
Collectors for April Sat. Sheila Dowling - Charlie Gorman  
Sun. Denis Daly - Edward Coughlan

## Clean Up Laois Week

Ballyfin Community Alert have registered with Laois County Council to take part in Clean Up Week 17<sup>th</sup> - 21<sup>st</sup> April. - Bags, gloves and pickers will be given out on Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> April from 10.30 - 11am at the Community Centre or contact Sheila on 086 1570145. Bags of litter to be left behind Recycling Bank for collection by the Council on Tues. 25<sup>th</sup> April.

## National Eucharistic Adoration Pilgrimage to Knock

Sun. 23<sup>rd</sup> April

For transport details contact Brendan 087 653 7753, Or Margaret 087 979 3005

## Safeguarding Children Parish Reps.

Ballyfin Parish Triona O'Rourke and Peter Byrne  
Mountrath Parish Caroline Moore - Pachelli Walsh  
Diocesan Designated Liaison Person:  
Ms Kathleen Sherry Deputy Diocesan Liaison  
Ms Michelle Hughes, c/o Bishop's House,  
Dublin Rd, Carlow Ph: 085 802 1633

## Ballyfin Lotto Results 12<sup>th</sup> April

Nos. Drawn 3 1 29 32

No Jackpot Winner. 16 Match 3 Rec. € 63  
3 Local Winners

Linda Farrell, Promoter, Sheila Dowling  
Paddy and Anne Fitzpatrick, Promoter John Fitzpatrick, Joan Bergin, Promoter Mary Hooban  
Next Week's Jackpot € 17,000