

St. Fintan's Parish, Ballyfin

Sat. 27th - Sun. 28th Dec. Feast of the Holy Family

Closing of Holy Year this Weekend

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*Lord, for
your faithful
people, Life
is changed,
Not ended*

Ministries Rota Wed. 3rd Jan. - Sun. 4th Jan.

Reader Ministers of Holy Comm

Sat. 8.00 pm TBC Deirdre Fitzpatrick

Sun. 10.00am TBC Crescentia Phelan

Collectors for January

Sat. Denis Bowe Sun. John Coughlan

Safeguarding Children Parish Reps.

Ballyfin Triona O'Rourke and Peter Byrne

Mountrath Caroline Moore Pacelli Walsh

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*Best Wishes for
Happy and
Peaceful
New Year*

Mass Times - Anniversaries Sat 27th Dec - Tues. 6th Jan

Sat. 27th Dec. 8.00 pm Vigil Mass - Feast of the Holy Family

Sun. 28th Dec. 10.00 am Tommy and Bernie Fitzpatrick,

Cloncullen 5th Anniv.

Mon. 29th Dec. 7.00 pm Apostolate of Sanctification

Sat. 3rd Jan. 8.00 pm Kathleen and Richard Guilfoyle,

Pallas, Kathleen's 1st Anniv. Richard's 20th Anniv.

Sun. 4th Jan. 10.00 am

Mon. 5th Jan. 7.00 pm Apostolate of Sanctification

Tues. 6th Jan. 7.30 pm Feast of Epiphany.

1st Anniversary Mass Remembrance

Sun. 25th Jan. 10.00 am Mary Conroy, Ross - Sutton, Dublin

Invitation to Mass for the Closing of Jubilee Year

Dioceses across the world will mark the closing of the Jubilee Year on the Feast of the Holy Family, Sun. 28th Dec.. This day coincides with the closing of Holy Doors in the Roman Basilicas of Saint Mary Major, St. John Lateran, and St. Paul Outside the Walls. The Jubilee Year will officially conclude with the closing of the Holy Door at St Peter's Basilica in Rome by Pope Leo on 6th Jan.

Bishop Denis invites all parishioners across the Diocese to join him in giving thanks for the graces of the Jubilee Year in the celebration of the Mass, in the Cathedral of the Assumption Carlow, at 10:30 am Mass.
Music will be led by the Cathedral Choir.

Ballyfin Bridge Club

A Note of Thanks to Ballyfin Bridge Club for their generous contribution of € 700.00 to Ballyfin Parish Funds in relation to the use of Ballyfin Old School.

*Ballyfin Bridge Club meet in
Ballyfin Old School
every Tues. night at 8.00 pm*

Ballyfin Parish Lotto

Next Draw - Wed. 7th Jan.

Next Week's Jackpot € 10,000

I wish to extend my very sincere appreciation to you for your loyal support of Ballyfin Parish Lotto throughout the year.

Moirity Delaney, Woodview, Lacca. R.I.P.

We pray for Moirty who died unexpectedly at Portlaoise Reg. Hosp., on Fri. 19th Dec. Moirty's Funeral Mass was celebrated in St. Fergal's Church, Camross on Christmas Eve (Wed. 24th Dec) followed by burial in adjoining Cemetery. We extend sympathy to parents Martin and Carol (nee Dunne, Catholes), son Martin, brothers Colin, Adrian and Gavin, sisters Emma (Cole), Edel (Jackson) and Áine and their families, nephews, nieces, aunts, uncles, and their families, cousins, extended family, relatives, neighbours and friends and to all the Dunne and Delaney families.

Elizabeth Ormsby (née Vousden) Rosslare Harbour, Boley, Abbeyleix, R.I.P.

We pray for Elizabeth who died peacefully on Christmas Eve (Wed. 24th Dec) Elizabeth's Funeral Mass was celebrated in Church of the Assumption, Our Lady's Island on Sat. 27th followed by burial in Kilrane Cemetery. We extend sympathy to her sister, Bridie (Quinn) and family, Pallas and all her family.

May Moirty and Elizabeth rest in the peace of Christ.

New Year Blessing Prayer

Heavenly Father, as we stand on the threshold of this New Year,
we come before You with grateful hearts.

Thank You for the blessings of the past year, for the lessons learned,
and for Your unwavering presence in our lives.

As we enter this new season, we ask for Your guidance and wisdom.
Illuminate our paths and help us to make choices that align with Your will.

May we embrace new beginnings with faith, leaving behind any burdens or regrets
from the past.

Lord, we seek renewal in our spirits and strength to face the challenges ahead.
Fill our hearts with hope and joy and let us be instruments of Your love and peace
in the world. May this year be marked by growth, purpose,
and a deeper relationship with You.

We trust in Your plans for us, knowing they are for our good.

Help us to walk in faith, to seek Your kingdom first,
and to share Your blessings with others. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.