

St. Fintan's Parish, Ballyfin

Sat. 28th March - Sun. 29th March.

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

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Mass Times - Anniversaries Fri. 27th - Sun. 5th Apr.

Fri. 27th March 5.00 pm Exposition of Blessed Sacrament

Sat. 28th March 8.00 pm Vigil Mass of Palm Sunday

Marie Connolly (nee Dowling) Esker. Month's Mind

Marie's husband, Joseph (Joe) - 3rd Anniv.

Sun. 29th Mch. 10.00 am **Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion**

Mon. 30th Mch 7.00 pm Apostolate of Sanctification

Thurs. 2nd Apr. 7.30 pm Holy Thursday

Mass of the Lord's Supper.

Fri. 3rd Apr. Good Friday See Page 4 for times of Ceremonies

Sat. 4th April 8.00 pm **Easter Vigil Ceremonies**

Noel Walsh, Pallas. 11th Anniv.

Sun. 5th Apr. 10.00 am Easter Sunday

Mon. 6th Apr. 7.00 pm Apostolate of Sanctification

Collection for the people of The Holy Land

Bishop Denis has once again Asked us to take up a Collection for the people of the Holy Land

This Collection will be taken up during our main liturgy on Good Friday afternoon. Your support of this collection is greatly appreciated.



HAPPY **EASTER**
Let's Arise, Pray, Play and Praise together!
Easter at Camp Pio
Date: Saturday 11th April, 2026
Time: 12pm-2pm
Venue: Bloom HQ, Old Convent Mountrath R32D29F

To register contact:
camppio2024@gmail.com
Laura 0876313370
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For children 5-13 years!

Safeguarding Children Parish Reps

Ballyfin Triona O'Rourke and Peter Byrne

Mountrath Caroline Moore Pacelli Walsh

Deputy Diocesan Liaison

Michelle Hughes c/o Bishop's House,

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Best Wishes to Bernadette (Ber) Spillane

Ber is representing Ireland at the European Masters Indoor Athletics Championships in Torun, Poland from March 27th to 3rd April where she is competing in the W40 200m and the 4 x 400m relay.

Ber is teacher at Ballyfin N.S. and we extend our very best wishes to her and wish her every success as she competes (for Ireland) in Torun, Poland this weekend.

Football Forecasting Competition Round 7 22nd March

1st place: 13 points

Colm and Laura Linehan, Darren Hanlon, Conall Brennan, (Ballyfin NS), Pat Nolan, John Kilmurray (Bracknagh NS)

2nd place: 12 points

David McNabb, Kami Delaney, Declan Looby, Aidan O'Boyle, Richard Quillinan, Ivan McAuley, Timmy Quillinan, Ros McBride, Paraic Crone, Gay Rickard (Ballyfin NS), Margaret Gallagher (Bracknagh NS) 12 points

Congratulations to the overall winners, Colm and Laura Linehan, and Declan Looby, who each win € 250 .

A massive "thank you" to everyone who supported the competition - it is greatly appreciated by the School.

Ballyfin Parish Income

21st - 22nd March

61 Envelopes €534.00

Offertory Coll. €510.98

Lenten Stns.. € 160.00

Easter Dues € 300.00

Thank you for your continued support

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock

Sun. 7th June 2026,

Full details to

Ministries Rota for Holy Week and Easter

Thurs. 2nd April - Sun. 5th April.

Holy Week

And

Easter

is a privileged time when we are invited to draw near to Jesus Christ

Sat.

Sun.

Sheila Dowling

Edward Coughlan

Charlie Gorman

Denis Daly

Reader Ministers of Holy Comm

Thurs. 2nd April Holy Thursday

Peter Byrne Catherine Carroll

Fri. 3rd April Good Friday

Jacinta Connolly Br. Nicholas Leahy

Sat. 4th April Holy Saturday

Frances Harney Denis Bowe

Adrian Greene

Sun. 5th April Easter Sunday

Katie Mahon Br. Gerry Reburn

Maria Dowling

Collectors for April

Ballyfin Parish Lotto Wed. 25th Mch.

Nos. Drawn 1 25 28 29

No Jackpot Winner

8 Match 3's Rec. € 125.00 each

Next Week's Jackpot € 11,000

Clean Up Laois Week 2026

Ballyfin Community Alert have registered to take part in Clean Up Week Monday 6th April - Fri. 10th April. Collection point for bags of litter is yard behind Deadmans Inn and collection date for Ballyfin is early **Tues. 14th April**. No bags collected after this date.

Contact Sheila 086 1570145 for bags /gloves.

Chrism Mass

You are invited to join Bishop Denis and the clergy of the Diocese for the Chrism Mass in the Cathedral, Carlow, on 30th March at 7:30 pm. This is one of the most important Diocesan Masses in the year when the Holy Oils will be blessed and consecrated for use in parishes in the coming year and when the priests of the diocese will renew their priestly promises. Music will be led by Fr Liam Lawton and the Diocesan Choir while tea/coffee will be served in Carlow College, St Patricks afterwards. Come early to get a seat!

Outdoor Stations of the Cross

On Good Friday Commencing at Church of the Sacred Heart, The Hollow, at 10.00 am and Concluding at St. Matthew's Church of Ireland Church, Roskelton at about 11.15 am