

St. Fintan's Parish, Ballyfin

Sat. 17th - Sun. 18th Jan. 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
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Lord, for
your
faithful
people.
Life is
changed.
Not ended

Safeguarding Children Parish Reps

Ballyfin Triona O'Rourke and Peter Byrne
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Mass Times - Anniversaries Sat. 17th to Sun. 25th Jan

Fri. 16th Jan. 11.00 am Anne Kehoe (Nee Murphy) Bogh lone
Funeral Mass R.I.P.
5.00 pm Exposition of Blessed Sacrament
Sat. 17th Jan. 8.00 pm Ann Holohan, Springfield. 2nd Anniv.
Julia Gorman, Irey. 8th Anniv.
Denis and Brigid Walsh
Patrick and Maureen Lynch
Sun. 18th Jan. 10.00 am Sheila Fitzpatrick, Cappinaclaire 5th A
Mary and Michael McCormack, Clonurk.
Sally Lalor, Clonagown. 10th Anniv.
Her daughter, Margaret Brown (nee Lalor)
Fielbrook, who died on Tues. 13th Jan.
Fintan Lawlor, Cappinaclaire
Mon. 19th Jan. 7.00 pm Apostolate of Sanctification
Fri. 23rd Jan. 5.00 pm Exposition of Blessed Sacrament
Sat. 24th Jan. 8.00 pm Margaret (Maggie) O'Rourke,
(nee Bowe) R.I.P. Lower Sconce. Month's Mind
Maura and Patsy Feighery, O'Moore Forest.
and their grand-daughter, Claudia Buckley
Sun. 25th Jan. 10.00 am Mary Conroy, Ross - Sutton 1st Anniv.
Jim Delaney, Clonagown 5th Anniv.
And parents, Edward and Brigid Delaney
Thomas (Tommy) O'Rourke, Ballycormack. 6th Anniv
Seán Keegan, Bermingham and Mountmellick
Johanna Whitaker, Ashgrove, Mountmellick.
Formerly London
Mon. 26th Jan. 7.00 pm Apostolate of Sanctification
1st Anniversary Mass Remembrance
Sun. 8th Feb. 10.00 am John Hearn, Hillview, Portlaoise.

Football Forecasting Competition

It's time for the Football Forecasting Competition again!

We were delighted with its success last year here, both in terms of funds raised and fun generated and hope for more of the same in 2026. The proceeds this year will go towards funding equipment for our newly opened ASD classroom.

[Lots more details on Online Newsletter Or Collect a Form from the Church Porch](#)

Catholic Schools Week 2026 - 18th to 24th January

Catholic Schools Week 2026 celebrates the extraordinary call to holiness in the midst of ordinary life. Inspired by Pope Francis's reflection on Saint Carlo Acutis, recently canonised as the first millennial saint—

This year's theme invites pupils, teachers, families and parishes to explore the call to holiness as something both universal and accessible.

Holiness is not for the few, but for all; not reserved for religious professionals or mystics, but for every student, teacher, parent, - and grandparent! . . . living each day in friendship with Jesus Christ.

Ministries Rota Sat. 24th - Sun. 25th Jan.

Reader Sheila Dowling Sheila Dowling
Sat. 8.00 pm Sheila Dowling Sheila Dowling
Sun. 10.00 am Br. Gerry Reburn Brid Duff
Collectors for January
Sat. Denis Bowe Sun. John Coughlan

A Note of Thanks

To everyone involved in Ballyfin Parish Lotto, Organising Committee, Promoters, Shops and others who facilitate the sale of Lotto Tickets and most importantly, you, who purchase a Lotto ticket every week.

I extend a very sincere "thank you" for your continued loyal support and generosity.

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

The 2026 Week of Prayer for Christian Unity will take place from 18 to 25 January. The theme this year is "One Body, One Spirit", based on Ephesians 4. For '26, the prayers and reflections for the Week of Prayer for Christian

Unity have been prepared by the faithful of the Armenian Apostolic Church, along with their brothers and sisters of the Armenian Catholic and Evangelical Churches.

Ballyfin Parish Lotto

Wed. 14th Jan. No Jackpot Winner
Nos. Drawn 1 24 26 32
8 Match 3 Rec. € 125 each
Next Week's Jackpot. €12,000

Ballyfin Parish Income

Week ending 10th 11th Jan
19 Envelopes € 207.00
Offertory Coll. € 333.86
World Mission € 10.00
Nov. List of the Dead € 20.00

Christmas Due € 120.00
Retired priests € 30.00
Peter's Pence € 10.00

Table Quiz

Fri. 23rd
Jan. The Deadman's
8.00 pm - Ballyfin NS
Parents Council
€ 5 per ticket
Your Support much
Appreciated.
Raffle on the Night

Parish Confirmation Preparation

Confirmation Catechesis
Sun. 25th Jan. after 10.00 am Mass For Confirmation Candidates and their parents in Ballyfin Parish.

Ballyfin Community Alert Seniors Alert Scheme

Grant aided personal 24/7 personal monitored alarms help people aged 65 and over to live securely in their homes with peace of mind.

If you know a family member, friend or neighbour in Ballyfin or Laois area who may qualify, please contact Sheila on 086 157 0145 for information/application form.