

St. Fintan's Parish, Ballyfin

Sat. 8th - Sun. 9th April Easter Sunday

Easter Week - Seachtain na Cáisc

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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

1st - 2nd April

65 Envelopes	€ 882.00
Offertory Coll.	€ 375.16
Lenten Stations	€ 165.00
Easter Dues	€ 475.00
Trocaire	€ 70.00

Sincere thanks for your most generous contributions

Mass Times Anniversaries Sat. 8th - Sun. 16th April

Sat. 8th Apr. 8.00 pm **Easter Vigil** Bernadette Coyne, Boghlonge 8th A.

Sun. 9th Apr. 10.00 am **Easter Sun.** Mass of the Resurrection.

Mon. 10th Apr 7.00 pm **Easter Mon.** Apostolate of Sanctification

Sat. 15th Apr. 8.00 pm Julia Fitzpatrick, Ross. 12th Anniv.

Sun. 16th Apr. 10.00 am Edward and Mary Brennan, Brockera.

Mon. 17th Apr. 7.00 pm Apostolate of Sanctification

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

Lillian Corcoran (Nee O'Neill) Clontyglass. R.I.P.

We pray for Lillian who died suddenly on Thurs. 30th March. Lillian's Funeral Mass was celebrated in St. Joseph's Church, Mountmellick on Mon. 3rd April followed by committal ceremony at Newlands Cross Crematorium. We extend sympathy to Richard, Darragh, Kate, Seán and Rory and families, parents Tony and Eilish O'Neill, brothers Tony, Ger and Thomas, sisters Elyn and Kathleen and families, brothers-in-law, sisters-in-law, nieces, nephews, grandnephews, grandnieces, cousins, relatives, neighbours and her many friends. *May Lillian rest in the peace of Christ.*

Easter Sunday

The Resurrection of Jesus Christ is the greatest feast in the Liturgical Calendar. Jesus arose from the dead on Easter Sunday. The understanding and outlook of the disciples changed greatly on Easter Sunday. A few days before, the disciples saw Jesus suffer His agony and die on the Cross. No doubt their hearts were broken. When Jesus arose from the dead on Easter Sunday, it was a victory over sin, death and evil. He proved that He was God.

When the disciples saw the empty tomb, they understood the teaching of Christ. Our ancestors believed that the sun danced and that nature celebrated on Easter Sunday because Jesus had risen from the dead. Let us be glad and rejoice. Let us turn away from our old ways and accept the grace and friendship of the risen Jesus. Praised be Jesus at all times. Alleluia! Happy Easter to all. *(Courtesy of Birr Parish News!)*

Ballyfin Community Alert

Meeting on Thurs. 13th Apr. at 8.30 pm in Meeting Room Community Centre. Our last Meeting was held on 9th March 2020, just before outbreak of Covid 19 so your support would be appreciated.

National Eucharistic Adoration Pilgrimage to Knock

Sun. 23rd April
For transport details contact
Brendan 087 653 7753,
Dr Margaret 087 979 3005

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)

Ministries Rota Sat. 15th Sun. 16th April

	Reader	Min. of Holy Comm.
Sat. 15 th	8.00 pm Joe Fingleton	Denis Bowe
Sun 16 th	10.00 am Br. Nicholas Leahy.	Br. Gerry Reburn

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

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 5th April

Nos. Drawn 3 5 12 15
No Jackpot Winner. 24 Match 3 Rec. € 42
2 Local Winners
Harry Allen and Martina Makim
Promoter - Harry Allen
Next Week's Jackpot € 16,000

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.

Clean Up Laois Week

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