

St. Fintan's Parish, Ballyfin

Sat. 15th - 16th March 2nd Sunday of Lent

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Mass Times - Anniversaries Fri. 14th. - 23rd Mch

Fri. 14th Mch. 5.00 pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Sat. 15th Mch. 8.00 pm Alan Price, Templeogue. 7th Anniv.

Sun. 16th Mch. 10.00 am Micheál Conroy, Pallas Little. Month's Mind.

Mon. 17th Mch. 10.00 am St. Patrick's Day

William Bennett. Campclone.

Stephen Conroy, Upper Sconce, and

Stephen's parents, Stephen and Julia Conroy.

Fri. 21st Mch. 5.00 pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.

Sat. 22nd Mch. 8.00 pm Vigil Mass 3rd Sun. of Lent

Sun. 23rd Mch. 10.00 am. 3rd Sun. of Lent

Mon. 24th Mch. 7.00 pm Apostolate of Sanctification

Confirmation Catechesis

With Confirmation Candidates and their parents continues following 10.00 am Sunday Mass on 23rd March (next Sunday) Further Catechesis on 4th and 18th May

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

We keep and hold in our Thoughts and Prayers, People, their families and carers, who are ill - at home, in Hospital or Nursing Home or undergoing any surgical or medical procedures at this time. We wish you a speedy recovery

Lent Is What
We Do
Prayer
Fasting
Almsgiving

Daffodil Day Fri. 28th March

Daffodil Day, in aid of Irish Cancer Society, is on Fri. 28th Mch. All contributions received on Daffodil Day each year go towards many of the services provided by Irish Cancer Society. Your support much appreciated.

Ministries Rota Sat. 22nd Sun. 23rd Mch

Reader Minister of Holy Comm

Sat. 8.00 pm Linda Merdith Teresa McCormack

Sun. 10.00 am To be arranged Mary Finn

March Collectors

Sat. Br. Gerry Pauric Gilligan

Sun. Johnny Keenan

Safeguarding Children Parish Reps.

Ballyfin Triona O'Rourke and Peter Byrne

Mountrath Caroline Moore Pacelli Walsh

Diocesan Designated Liaison Person:

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Ballyfin Parish Income

W / E. 8th / 9th Mch.

49 Envelopes. € 357.00

Offertory Coll. € 463.26

Lenten Stations € 394.00

Easter Dues € 250.00

Christmas Dues € 250.00

Thanks for your support

Ballyfin Parish Lotto Wed 13th

Nos. Drawn 7 15 22 31

One Jackpot Winner of € 15,000.

(Clonbullogue Parish)

19 Match 3 's Rec € 53 each

3 Local Winners

Winner - Promoter

George Dunne Harry Allen

Andy Cashin Kathleen Dunne

John and Gwen Dunne Mary Hooban

New Jackpot €10,000

Clean Up Laois Week

Ballyfin Community Alert have registered to take part in Clean Up Week - Monday 31st March - Friday 4th April. Collection point for bags of litter is yard behind Deadmans Inn and collection date for Ballyfin is Tuesday 8th April. Contact Sheila 086 1570145 for bags and gloves.



"Lá Fhéile Pádraig sona duit!"

Ballyfin National School AstroTurf Project

Dash to 44 Challenge - See Online Newsletter for Route to our Dash 44 Challenge - Your support will be much appreciated.

Important Synod Sessions in Kildare and Leighlin and supporting information!

The Irish Bishops are asking us to look once more at the themes that emerged in the Irish consultation for the Universal Synod and to name what is emerging as *priorities for action*. Each diocese has been asked to make a submission that will help delegates at a pre-synodal assembly in October to discern priorities that will be advanced in a national synodal assembly in 2026

Here In Kildare and Leighlin we are facilitating seven listening sessions to help shape our submission. These include sessions for:

Youth Leaders (TBA), *Vowed Religious (April 2, 2-4:30 pm, Mount St Anne's),

Candidates for Lay ministry training (April 5) School Chaplains (April 29),

***Parishioner sessions:** 2 delegates per parish in a choice of two sessions, from 7:00 - 9:30 pm: March 25 - Woodford Dolmen Hotel, Carlow or April 1, Mount St Anne's.

St. Patrick's Prayer

May the Strength of God pilot us.
May the Power of God preserve us.
May the Wisdom of God instruct us.
May the Hand of God protect us.
May the Way of God direct us.
May the Shield of God defend us.
May the Host of God guard us
Against the snares of the evil ones,
Against temptations of the world.
May Christ be with us!
May Christ be before us!
May Christ be in us,
Christ be over all!
May Thy Salvation, Lord,
Always be ours, This day,
O Lord, and evermore. Amen