

Parish of Gallen and Rynagh

St. Mary's, Cloghan & St. Rynagh's, Banagher Patrick Kiernan P.P. 057 9151338 Ĵ

Parish Website: www.cloghanbanagherparish.ie Church Radio: 106.6 FM ~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~ Parish Secretary: Tracy Dolan - Monday or Friday Email newsletterstrynaghs@gmail.com 10.30 to 12.30 p.m. 086 0705801 Notices to be in before **6 p.m.** on Thursdays. ~~~~~ ~~~~~ Readings: Second Sunday of Advent/8th Dec. 2024 Cloghan SVP 087 9272877 Mass Times & Anniversaries Sat. 7th 6.30 p.m. St. Rynagh's Rosemary Porter, Cluain Rynagh (Month's Memory) James & Agnes Mannion, Curraghavarna. Kathleen O'Meara, Cuba Avenue. Mark & Jim Finnegan, Clontotan. Sat. 7th St. Mary's Patrick Young & deceased Young family, Banagher Street. 8 p.m. Janina Cieslaik, Poland (requested by V.H.) Jim & Brendan Meleady, Banagher Street. Sun. 8th 9.30 a.m. St. Mary's Julia & Eugene Kiernan & son Hugh. James & Rose Colgan & deceased family. Sun. 8th Finnegan Family, Clontotan. 11 a.m. St. Rynagh's Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary Mon. 9th 9.30 a.m. St. Rynagh's Letitia McDaid (requested b y B. & S.) 7 p.m. St. Marv's Jacqueline Alice Johnson, Bromley, England & Ferbane (requested by Tues. 10th 9.30 a.m. St. Marv's Special Intention – Get Well (Deirdre) J.H.) Lena Mulligan née Bennett, Dublin & The Grove (requested by J.F.) Wed. 11th 9.30 a.m. St. Rynagh's Ger Muldoon (requested by B. & S.) Special Intention – Get Well (Linda) Thurs. 12th 9.30 a.m. St. Marv's Peggy Courtney (requested by M. G.) Special Intention – Get Well (Sean) Sat. 14th 6.30 p.m. St. Rynagh's Michael Behan, Co. Laois. Michael Hughes, Cuba (17th Anniv.) Mary Nallen, West End (1st Anniv.) Sat. 14th 8 p.m. St. Marv's Michael Wynne, Hill Road (2nd Anniv.) Tony Byrne, Lumcloon. Ryan & Kearns Families, Ballysheil. Brian & Anne Doorley, Park. Sun. 15th 9.30 a.m. St. Mary's Marie & P.J. Ward & deceased Ward, Wynne, Hunt & Dolan Families Intentions of the Hyland & Beirne Families deceased & living Sun, 15th 11 a.m. St. Rynagh's Kelly & Molloy Families. (requested by J.L.) Margaret Trodd, The Crescent (24th Anniv.) Pauline and Jimmy Horan. The Square. Teresa Mann, Shannon Harbour (Month's Memory)

Jesus Said, "I am the Resurrection and the Life".

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Rita Bennett, The Grove, Cloghan; Noel Walsh, Ballyclare, Ferbane and former Principal of Gallen N.S. and St. Mary's N.S., Cloghan; Fr. Sean O'Dowd, Kiltegan and Newtowncashel. May they rest in peace.

Offertory Collections: Banagher €1,010. Cloghan €780

Donations to the Parish: If you wish to support the Church online - Banagher Parochial Account IBAN: IE23 BOFI90165034757730. BIC: BOFIIE2D Thank you.

Advent Week 2 (PEACE)

Candle name: Bethlehem Candle. Reminds us: To prepare the way of the Lord. Christ is the Prince of Peace. The world might not reflect it, but we can have peace in our hearts.



Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary celebrated this Monday 9th Dec. Masses in St. Rynagh's at 9.30 a.m. and St. Mary's at 7 p.m.

Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe celebrated on Thursday 12th December.

Feast of St. John of the Cross, Priest and Doctor of the Church celebrated on Sat. 14th Dec. Born in 1542 & died in 1591. He was a man of prayer, an outstanding poet, a spiritual writer and doctor of the Church.

Sacrament of Confirmation 2025

The young people preparing for Confirmation will celebrate the <u>Commitment Ceremony</u> on Saturday 14th Dec. St. Rynagh's N.S. at 6.30 p.m. and St. Mary's N.S. & Lumcloon N.S. at 8 p.m.

Banagher College Presents its first ever Musical, **'Joseph and the Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat'**. We hope you will pencil in the date in your diary, a fabulous production not to be missed! Tickets available on the door (CASH ONLY). Wed. 11th, Thurs. 12th and Fri. 13th of Dec. starting at 7.30 p.m. Adm. €15 adults, €10 seniors/ students.

The Annual Carol Service in St. Mary's Church, Cloghan will take place on Sunday 22nd December at 7 p.m. Proceeds from the service will be donated to Birr Alzheimer's Day care, The Community Nursing Unit, Birr and Offaly Hospice. Your support & generosity will be greatly appreciated. All welcome.



Parish Christmas Mass Bouquet Cards available in Paul and Mary Flynn's shop and Cloghan Post Office €5 for a pack of 6 cards. All those who receive a card will be included in Masses during the Christmas Season.

New Boxes of Envelopes for 2025: <u>Cloghan Area</u> - The new boxes of envelopes will be available for collection after 7 p.m. Mass on Monday 9th Dec. If those who distribute the boxes can collect. Thank you for your generosity and support. <u>Banagher Area</u> – Boxes will be distributed during the next few days. Thank you to all who help distribute the boxes and to all for your generosity and support.

Sleepy Hollow, Taylor's Cross winter/spring flowers available. Also, in Paul & Mary Flynn's shop. Stamps for the Missions: Please keep the stamps from your post, leave a small margin around each stamp and post them to St. Patrick's, Kiltegan, Co. Wicklow.

Lusmagh Development Association - Christmas Tractor Run on Sunday 22nd Dec. starting in Lusmagh GAA carpark. Registration between 3.30-4.30 p.m. and costs €20. Prizes given and Santa will make an appearance. All proceeds go to the development of a community garden and walkway.

CLONONY CASTLE is pleased and delighted to announce that Santa Claus will be making a return visit to the castle this Sunday afternoon <u>8th Dec. from 12 noon to 4 p.m.</u> bringing more sweets, treats and Christmas cheer.

Lough Boora Running Group & Ferbane Athletics Club are hosting a 5 KM Santa Dash & a 1 KM family walk this <u>Sunday 8th Dec</u> at 11 a.m. in Lough Boora Discovery Park. Register online at www.myrunresults.com with special guest Santa. Refreshments afterwards in Teach Lea. All proceeds raised for Offaly Hospice & Dochas, Offaly Cancer Support.

The Alzheimer Christmas Cafe takes place at The Villa Rose Hotel on Wednesday 11th December, 11.30 am to 1 p.m. Contact Patricia McMonagle on 087 3586714 to confirm your attendance.

Saint Vincent de Paul - Annual Appeal takes place <u>this weekend in our local Churches</u>. Envelopes are left in the Church. Please return your envelopes in the collection basket the following week or you can drop them in to the parish office. Are you impacted by Food/Energy Poverty, struggling to make ends meet on an inadequate income and worried about bills. Our SVP Conference can also provide people with Gift Tokens for food, energy, clothing and furniture. Educational assistance and supports are also available. Our SVP Conference offers assistance to the people of the following areas, Ferbane, Belmont, Doon, Cloghan, Shannon Harbour, Pullough, Lumcloon, Lusmagh, Banagher and Ballinahown. All requests must go through our helpline. Please phone 087 9272877. Friday 13th Dec. is the last day for requests seeking help for Christmas.