

# Islandeady-Glenisland Parish Newsletter

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**Weekday Mass Times:** Glenisland Church at **7pm** & Islandeady Church at **8pm**.

**Weekend Mass Times:** Glenisland Church **SAT 7 pm** & Islandeady Church **SUN 11am**.

**Remembering in our Masses this week:** (Sun 1<sup>st</sup> Dec – Sun 8<sup>th</sup> Dec)

Sat 23 <sup>rd</sup>	- Josephine Fahey, Kilgarve (18 <sup>th</sup> Anniv) & DFM.
Sun 1 <sup>st</sup>	- Aisling Browne (1 <sup>st</sup> Anniv) & DFM of Browne & Kearins Family.
Tues 3 <sup>rd</sup>	- <b>8pm Islandeady:</b> Paddy & Greta Cannon, grandson Jason King & DM Cannon & Joyce F
Fri 6 <sup>th</sup>	- <b>7pm Glenisland:</b> First Friday Vigil Mass – Confessions from 6:30pm. - <b>8pm Islandeady:</b> First Friday Vigil Mass.
Sat 7 <sup>th</sup>	- <b>6pm Islandeady:</b> Jack Etherington (Months Mind).
Sat 7 <sup>th</sup>	- Grainne Collins, Cornanool (Months Mind). - Mike & Nora Geraghty, Rosaleen & Nora Flannery & DFM. - John & Nora Ryan & DFM. - Thomas Neary, Derryharrieff & DFM. - Michael & Mary Geraghty, daughter Teresa & sons Jack, Dick & Tom.
Sun 8 <sup>th</sup>	- Bridget & John Joe O'Brien, son Joe, daughter in law Peggy & grandson Iain & DFM. - Sr. Josie Jennings, Leitir & Margate, England (Months Mind).

**Baptism:** Olivia Anne Kelly, daughter of Laurene & Frank, in Glenisland recently.

**RIP:** Margaret Moran, Castlebar, mother of Noel Moran, Islandeady.

**People of God ministering / helping in CHURCH next Week: Sat & Sun 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> Dec**

Ministry:	Glenisland:	Islandeady:
<b>Mass Servers:</b>	Team 1.	Team 3.
<b>Music:</b>	Anne & Choir	Nora & Choir.
<b>Readers:</b>	Teresa	Mary Staunton – 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent ( <b>Pg 90</b> ).
<b>Ministers of Eucharist:</b>	Mary Walsh	Maire Printer, Anne Quigley, Anne Roache.
<b>Offertory Collectors:</b>	Mass Servers	Peter Collins, Timmy Davitt, Seamus Moylette.

- Marian Movement praying for Priest's every Sun Night at 7pm in Glenisland Church.
- **Cards** continue this Monday Night at 8:30pm in the Community Centre. **All Welcome.**
- **Bingo** continues in Islandeady Community Centre **every Tuesday**. Doors open from 8pm.
- **Wednesday Get-Together** continues every Wed in the Community Centre from 11am. All Welcome.
- **Rambling House** continues every Wed in the Community Centre from 7:30 – 9:30pm. All welcome.
- **Islandeady Men's Shed** meeting this Thursday at 8pm in the Community Centre. All welcome.
- Islandeady **Foróige** meets every Thurs & Fri night in the Centre from 8-10pm. All welcome.

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First Friday **Mini Vigil** in Glenisland Church **next Friday** Dec 6<sup>th</sup> starting with confessions at **6:30pm**. All are welcome.

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The **Islandeady IFA** Branch AGM will take place in the Halfway House **next Fri** Dec 6<sup>th</sup> at **8:30pm**. Guest Speaker is Teresa Keane from Mental Health Ireland talking about **farmer's mental health**.

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** – (Adoration Times in our Parish)

**Glenisland:** Monday & Wednesday Nights **7-8pm**.

**Islandeady:** Sunday & Monday **7-8pm** / Tuesday **7-8pm**, Thursday Night **8-9pm**.

**Islandeady GAA Lotto:** Draw held on Sun 17<sup>th</sup> Nov – Numbers drawn: 7/ 21/ 28/ 32. No Winner. €40 winner: Kevin Walsh / €30 winners: Tommy O'Brien, Noreen Ingham, Ashling Geraghty. Next Draw will be held this Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> Dec at 8:30pm in the Halfway. Jackpot is €5,600.

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**ADVENT STARTS THIS WEEKEND:** *the Advent Wreath* is a circle of evergreens. The circular shape symbolises the eternal nature of God. The evergreens - the continuing & everlasting life that comes from God through Christ. The 4 Candles (3 purple & 1 pink) mark the 4 weeks of Advent. Purple for Repentance and Pink for Joy (Gaudete) on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday as Christmas gets nearer. A white candle is placed in the centre on Christmas Eve. **Why not make one for your Home or School this Advent!**

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- Lists of **Glenisland** Altar Society, Min of Eucharist & Readers for **Dec** are in the Sacristy.
- **Islandeady** Offertory **Collectors** for **Dec:** Peter Collins, Timmy Davitt, Seamus Moylette.
- **Islandeady Finance** Committee helping for **December:** Team F.
- **Islandeady Altar Society** for **December:** Annagh and Drimneen.

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The Islandeady Community Council "**Community Development Draw**" will take place on **Sat 28<sup>th</sup> Dec** at **9:30pm** in the **Halfway House**. This is one of many fundraising initiatives to replace the Sale of Work. Tickets are on Sale in Shops & from Community Council members. Tickets are €2 each or book of 3 for €5 & lots of wonderful prizes available. Music & entertainment on the night & a great way to spend the night out after the Christmas festivities. Everybody Welcome.

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The **Parish Mass Diary** is now available to book your **mass intentions** for **2020**.

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**Glenisland Christmas Party** is on **Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> Dec** from 2pm to 5pm in the **Welcome Inn Hotel**. Tickets are **€10** & children free. Tickets can be purchased at the door. Lots of activities including a bouncing castle, raffle, live music, refreshments and a visit from **Santa Claus**. Everyone is welcome.

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**Glenisland Annual Card Game** will be held on Friday night 13<sup>th</sup> Dec at 8pm in Glenisland school. Admission is **€7**. 1st prize €100 / 2nd Turkey / 3rd €25. Raffle and spot prizes on the night. All money raised is for the upkeep of Glenisland school. All support is greatly appreciated.

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The **Monthly Hour of Prayer for Marriage & Family Life** is this Wednesday **Dec 4<sup>th</sup>**.

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On Saturday December 7<sup>th</sup> a blessing ceremony for **all parents** who are **expecting a baby** will take place at Knock Shrine at 12 noon. It will include a short prayer for the protection and safe delivery with an individual blessing for all mothers-to-be who are present. All welcome.

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For people who like to plan for Christmas in advance, here is a few important dates for the diary:

- Wednesday Get-together **Christmas Party** takes place on **Wed 11<sup>th</sup> Dec** in Community Centre.
- Sacrament of **Reconciliation** (Confessions) Monday 16<sup>th</sup> Dec **7pm** Glenisland / **8pm** Islandeady
- **Santa** will visit the Children of Islandeady on **Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> Dec** at **12noon** in Community Centre.
- **Christmas Eve** Masses will be held on Tues 24<sup>th</sup> Dec **7pm** Glenisland / **9pm** Islandeady.
- **Christmas Day** Masses will be held on Wed 25<sup>th</sup> Dec **10am** Glenisland / **11am** Islandeady.

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The **church rota for 2020** of Readers & Eucharistic Ministers will be available in **early December**. If you wish to remain there is no need to do anything! If you wish to **'retire'** please let Liam know ASAP on 087 1361 895. New readers & Ministers of the Eucharist are also welcome & can give their name to Liam.

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Fr. Chris will attend to his monthly **First Friday Sick visits** at the usual times this week. If you know a family member or neighbour who would like Fr. Chris to visit in hospital or at home, please contact the priest on (087) 1962 674.

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The **Annual Rice College 25 drive** takes place **this Sun** Dec 1<sup>st</sup> at **7pm** in the school hall. Doors open at 6:30pm & admission is **€10**. There will be **€750** in total prize money on offer, with spot prizes & raffle.

Learn to **massage your baby** & all its benefits. Suitable for **newborn to pre-crawlers**. For more details contact Elaine on 087 6416130 who is a certified baby massage instructor.

Due to an increased interest in enrolment with **Bilberries Playgroup** it currently appears that we are full for 2020/2021 and 2021/2022 and have a waiting list for spaces. We are also taking names for 2022/2023 We are therefore considering offering an afternoon session (approx. 1.30pm - 4.30pm) should there be sufficient numbers and would request that parents contact us ASAP to express interest Tel. **087 6026947** or Email [bilberriesplaygroup@gmail.com](mailto:bilberriesplaygroup@gmail.com)

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**New Singers & Musicians** of **ALL** ages are always **WELCOME** to join either Glenisland or Islandeady church choir each weekend to uplift our Spirits – please let Nora or Ann know that you would like to join to use & share your **TALENTS**...!! & **THANKS** Nora & Ann for organising the choir every weekend.

**Local Link Mayo** – daily & weekly bus service to access the local village or town for shopping, post office or banking & health facilities as well as transport to community based centres. Contact us on 094 90 47571 or visit our website for a full timetable [www.locallink.ie](http://www.locallink.ie)

**Are you Thoughtful?** Some elderly & housebound parishioners in **Islandeady & Glenisland** have remarked how very much they appreciate it when a neighbour or family are thoughtful enough to bring them a copy of the weekly **Sunday Bulletin** (or Glenisland Newsflash/Community Council Newsletter) ... & how much it helps to keep them in touch with life in the parish. **So... are YOU Thoughtful?**

The **new** Islandeady/Glenisland Pastoral Council has being formed for 2018-2022. They are: Michelle Lavelle (**Chairperson**), Sephine Morris (**Vice Chair**), Breege Carney (**Secretary**), Lesley McNicholas (**Vice Sec**), Siobhan Barrett, Phil Browne, Noreen Coyne, Michael Dooley, Liam Keaveney, Michael McCormack, Cathriona McNally, Seamus O'Donnell, James O'Malley, Caroline Price, Anne Roache, Noreen Sadler, Teresa Walsh & Fr. Chris Brennan.

Thank you for keeping Catering in St Aidans & the Presbytery simple! Again please remember these rooms are in a Church setting & for the sake also of minding expensive carpet & chairs ... please NO egg sandwiches, salad sandwiches, cream or jam buns etc. Confine food to biscuits, buns, brack, simple sandwiches or cake that doesn't fall apart! Just use common sense. Remember most people have a mug in one hand and food in the other.

For **catering** in the Presbytery & St Aidans – on occasions of Weddings, Funerals, Anniv & Months Mind – nice customs emerged whereby **neighbours** offer to help out OR **a family** can make their own arrangement for catering ... OR members of the **Pastoral Council** kindly step in to organise ...OR ... just thoughtful **kind parishioners** from any **village** offer to help out. **Thank you** for keeping this nice custom alive in our Parish, it is nicely remarked on by people 'within' & visitors 'outside' our Parish.

All **weekly contributions** in your envelopes go towards the upkeep & maintenance of the two churches in the Parish. Your weekly contribution ensures our churches are warm, clean, tidy & a high standard for funerals, weddings & weekly masses. People comment on how lovely and welcoming our two churches are. **Thank You** for your continued support and contributions to **YOUR** parish church.

### 5 Special Requests from the Priest....

- 1) **Readers:** 5 mins before Mass please pop into Sacristy & let priest know YOU are reading today.
- 2) Ministers of **Eucharist:** Please sit in **front** seat with your family or the other Minister so that priest sees/knows there's help for Communion.
- 3) **For Offertory Collection** please take baskets from outside of seat & move baskets towards the back & hand it to Collector (or mass server).
- 4) In the event there aren't enough mass servers, please take a newsletter which will be already placed in the holders at each of the 3 doors in Islandeady Church.

5) Prayer Cards are available in church seats; please use them to assist you saying the prayers during mass.

**Bingo Night** continues every Tuesday Night from **8:30 – 10:30pm** in Islandeady Community Centre. Everybody young and old is welcome to come. Anyone wishing to avail of **transport** for the **Tuesday Night Bingo** is asked to contact Michael O'Haire at (087) 2202 123. Bus fare is **€5** per person.

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**Church Envelopes** are now available for the coming 12 months. They will be available in the Church Porches from this weekend. Please take your box of envelopes & if you see a neighbour's one please kindly take it & deliver it to them. If you would like to take a box of envelopes to contribute to the weekly upkeep of our two churches, please let Fr. Chris or James O'Malley know & they will organise.

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**Deadline** for any items for inclusion in the Islandeady/Glenisland Newsletter is **12 noon** each Friday.

- **Phone** or send a **text message** or leave a **voicemail** to Liam on (087) 1361 895 **or**
- You can **email** Liam at [islandeadyadm@gmail.com](mailto:islandeadyadm@gmail.com)

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The Pastoral Council wish to remind all local groups & charitable organisations that **Church Gate Collections** held in Glenisland & Islandeady Churches must be held **OUTSIDE** the Church Gates as per conditions of the permit & **NOT** inside at the Church Doors. There will be no exception to this

### Remember Me

*Speak of me as you have always done,  
Remember all the good times, the laughter & fun.  
Share the happy memories we've made,  
Do not let them wither or fade.  
I'll be with you in the summer's sun,  
and when the winter's chill has come.  
I'll be the voice that whispers in the breeze,  
I'm peaceful now, put your mind at ease.  
I've rested my eyes and gone to sleep,  
but memories we've shared are yours to keep.  
Sometimes our final days may be a test,  
but remember me when I was at my best.  
Although things may not be the same,  
don't be afraid to use my name.  
Let your sorrow last for just a while,  
Comfort each other and try to smile.  
I've lived a life filled with Joy and Fun,  
Live on now & make me proud of what you'll become.*