

Saturday 3rd January @ 6.15pm

Vigil Mass – Intentions:

**(1) Eamonn Murphy, Cloghane
(First Anniversary)**

**(2) Paddy Moriarty, Cloghane who
died recently (3) Aoife Sheehan
20th Anniversary, her father
Brendan 16th Anniversary &
grandfather, Patrick Swayne**

**Priest on deanery duty this
Sunday 21st December is Fr.
Eamonn Mulvihill. In the event of
an emergency please call 066
7139145. Sunday 28th December
it will be Fr Eoghan Ó Cadhla 087
6951318.**

**If you are planning to baptise
your baby in the coming weeks,
please contact the parish office.
Both parents are required to
attend a baptism preparation
evening.**

**Sincere thanks to all who
contributed so generously to
the Church gate collection last
Sunday in St. Mary's and the
previous Saturday in St
Brendan's. All money collected
will remain in the area.**

**ALONE the organisation that
enables older people age at home are
looking for Telephone and Visitation
Volunteers to support older people in
the community. 1hr a week can make
all the difference! Call 0801 222 024
please or see ALONE.ie/Volunteer for
more info.**

**The Planned Giving boxes will be
available over the Christmas
period at the Masses. Please take
your box. Anyone who is not
receiving a box and would like to
contribute to the envelope system,
please contact the parish office.
Please see letter enclosed in the
box. More details next week.**

**The second collection at the
Christmas Masses will be for the
priest's income. This is the blue
envelope in the box of envelopes.
You can use this if you are
contributing on the planned giving
scheme. Many thanks.**

**The Church gate collections for
the Samaritans will be on
Christmas Eve.**

**Senior citizen lunches take a break
until the New Year. We will all our
members a very Happy Christmas.**

**Feast of the Holy Family
Sunday 28th December**

**“Your children are the greatest
gift God will give to you, and
their souls the heaviest
responsibility He will place in
your hands. Take time with
them, teach them to have faith
in God. Be a person in whom
they can have faith. When you
are old, nothing else you've
done will have mattered as
much”**

(Lisa Wingate – Intercom magazine)

Parish Life Newsletter

21st December 2025 – Fourth Sunday of Advent

28th December 2025 – Feast of the Holy Family

St Therese of Lisieux

"If I did not simply live from one moment to another, it would be impossible for me to be patient; but I only look at the present, I forget the past, and I take good care not to forestall the future."

Office Hours

Monday 10am to 2pm

Tuesday 11am to 1pm

Wednesday 11am to 4pm

Thursday 10am to 2pm

Friday 11am to 4pm.

Closed Holy days and Bank holidays

Weekend Mass Times

St. Mary's Castlegregory

Sunday 11.30am

St. Brendan's Cloghane

Saturday Vigil 6.15pm

(alternating with St.

Mary's Camp)

(see newsletter)

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St. Vincent de Paul - 087 1647788

Parish Priest

Fr Eamonn Mulvihill

Parish Secretary

Bernie Dowling

Tap to Donate!

Confession

St. Mary's – First Fridays after 7.00pm Mass

**St. Brendan's – Tuesdays closest to First
Fridays after the 7.00pm**



Daily Parish Eucharistic Adoration

St. Mary's

Monday – 10.00am to 11.00am

**Wednesday - 10.00am to 11.00am
and 5pm to 9pm**

Friday – 10.00am to 11.00am

Sunday – 12.20 (after Mass) 1.20pm

St. Brendan's

Tuesday – 11.00am to 12.00pm

Thursday – 3.00pm to 4.00pm

Saturday – 11.00am to 12.00pm

Sunday – 9.15am to 10.15am

Week beginning
21st December 2025
Fourth Sunday of Advent
& 28th December – Feast of the
Holy Family



This Sunday is the Fourth Sunday of Advent. We are approaching Christmas and the readings reflect this and help us focus on who Jesus is and why He came. Isaiah speaks of a sign—a child born to a virgin. This child will be called Emmanuel, which means God is with us. Each reading gives us something to think about. St Paul in the second reading speaks about Jesus identity, being both human and divine and in the Gospel the prophecy of Isaiah is fulfilled. Joseph planned to divorce Mary quietly when he found out she was pregnant not by him. An angel told him in a dream to take her as his wife because the child was from the Holy Spirit. We are reminded that God always keeps His promises and the Gospel shows us how this promise was fulfilled. We must listen to God and trust in His plan, even when things seem uncertain. Joseph listened to and

trusted God. He probably did not understand everything, but when the angel spoke to him in a dream, he obeyed. He chose faith over fear. Because of his trust, Joseph became part of God's great plan. The quiet and humble figure of Joseph is an inspiration for us. He was obedient to God and courageous. He accepted God's will. When disappointments in life make us weary we often doubt the presence of God. But it was Joseph's faith and belief that helped him to cope positively rather than act rashly. Let us pray for that faith and belief in Jesus as members of His Church, this fourth Sunday of Advent and ask the Holy Spirit to help us stay strong, remain faithful and guide us every day, helping us take the next step in God's plan for us.

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INTENTIONS FOR THIS

WEEKEND

St Mary's Sunday 21st
December @ 11.30am –
Intentions: (1) Maurice & Mary
Bowler, The Warren & London
(2) Tom & Margaret Kennedy,
Coolroe & deceased family
members (3) Martin Ferriter,
Aughacasla (4) Tom & Mary
Finn, Cutteen & deceased
members of the O'Connor &
Norris families.

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St. Brendans – 20th December
Vigil Mass @ 6.15pm - Mass for
the people of the parish.

We Pray For

Gráinne Maunsell wife of Joe
Maunsell, Tullig and Boston,
John Paul O'Mahony,
Kilcummin

Patrick Griffin, Strand St
Tiny & Breda Kennedy, Main
Street.

Patrick O'Sullivan & his son,
Enda, Taobh an Cnoic

ST. MARY'S

Christmas Mass Schedule

Monday 22nd December @
7.00pm – Intention: John Paul
O'Mahony, Kilcummin

Tuesday 23rd December @
10.00am – Private Intention

Wednesday – Christmas Eve –
Vigil Mass @ 8.00pm

Thursday – Christmas Day –
Mass @ 11.30am

Friday – St. Stephen's Day @
11.00am – Intention: Tiny
Kennedy, Main Street
Anniversary & his sister, Breda

Sunday 28th December @ 11.30:
Intentions – (1) Mary Horgan,
Aughacasla First Anniversary

(2) Mary Courtney, Cutteen
(3) Peggy Courtney, Maharabeg
(4) John & Mary Goodwin,
Ceandeehy & deceased family
members.

No Parish Masses – Monday
29th December – Tuesday 30th
December and Wednesday 31st
December.

Thursday 1st January @ 11am -
Feast of Mary, Holy Mother of
God– Private Intention

Friday 2nd January @ 10.00am
No Intention

Sunday 4th January @ 11.30am
Intentions: (1) Jack Dowling,
Strand Road (First Anniversary)
(2) John O'Mahony, Farrantane
(First Anniversary) (3) Brendan
Moynihán, Camp and Limerick
(First Anniversary)

St. Brendan's

Christmas Mass Schedule

Tuesday 22nd December – No
Mass in St. Brendan's

Christmas Day – Mass @
10.00am – Patrick O'Sullivan &
his son, Enda – Taobh an Cnoic

Thursday 1st January @ 9.30am
Feast of Mary, Holy Mother of
God – No Intention
