

Nenagh Parish News

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Mass Times
St Mary of the Rosary
Weekend Masses:
Liturgy of the Word with
Holy Communion | Saturday 10am
Saturday Vigil Mass | 6.15pm
Sunday 8am | 12 noon | 6pm

Weekday Masses
8am | 11am
Adoration | Weekdays 5-7pm
Confessions | Sat after Liturgy

Parish Radio: 106.2FM

St John the Baptist, Tyone
Saturday | 7.30pm
Sunday | 10.30am
Polish Mass | 2nd & 4th Sunday
Each Month | 1pm

Odhrán Pastoral Area
Mass Times

Friday
Portroe 7.30pm
Killeen 7.30pm

Saturday
Youghalarra 6.30pm
Puckane 7.30pm
Templederry 7.00pm
Silvermines 8.00pm

Sunday
Carrig 10.00am
Portroe 10.00am
Ballywilliam 11.15am
Cureeney 10.00am
Silvermines 11.00am

Trócaire Lenten Campaign 2025

Boxes are available for colleciton in both
churches: please give what you can.

Jubilee Year 2025

In Pope Francis' letter announcing the Jubilee Year of Hope, he notes: "Jubilee can contribute greatly to restoring a climate of hope and trust as a prelude to the renewal and rebirth that we so urgently desire...we [must] refuse to turn a blind eye to the tragedy of rampant poverty that prevents millions of men, women, young people and children from living in a manner worthy of our human dignity ... May the voices of the poor be heard throughout this time of preparation for the Jubilee, which is meant to restore access to the fruits of the earth to everyone." The concept of Jubilee calls for restoration and renewal: a renewal of our relationship with God and with one another, and a period of restoration for the earth: "[This] calls for acts of clemency and liberation that enable new beginnings (Is 61:1-2; cf. Lk 4:18-19)". Pope Francis, Papal Bull *Spes non Confundit*.

Ten Years of Laudato Si': On Care for Our Common Home

In 2015, Pope Francis published Laudato Si': On Care for Our Common Home, the first papal encyclical on care for creation. It became a best seller in Ireland and in many countries and has contributed to the growth of a grassroots movement across faith communities in Ireland who are passionate about addressing the environmental crises our world faces. Laudato Si' provides a blueprint for faith in action which encourages "every person living on this planet" (Laudato Si', 3) to listen to the signs of the times, to listen to the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor; to listen to the science and to listen to the call of our faith at this time. Pope Francis says in Laudato Si', "I urgently appeal, then, for a new dialogue about how we are shaping the future of our planet. We need a conversation which includes everyone, since the environmental challenge we are undergoing, and its human roots, concern and affect us all." (Laudato Si', 14). It is time now to reflect on all that has happened and on all the work yet to be done. In Trócaire, this document has inspired and nourished us in our work over the past 10 years. Each week we will bring you more ideas to reflect on Laudato Si'. One way of marking the 10th anniversary of Laudato Si' would be to include a quote from the encyclical each week in your parish newsletter. Quotes are available at the end of this resource; we have 52, one for every week of the year!

A Prayer for our Earth (Laudato Si', 246)

All-powerful God,
You are present in the whole universe and in the
smallest of your creatures.
You embrace with your tenderness all that exists.
Pour out upon us the power of your love, that we
may protect life and beauty.
Fill us with peace, that we may live as brothers and
sisters, harming no one.

O God of the poor, help us to rescue the
abandoned and forgotten of this earth, so precious
in your eyes.

Bring healing to our lives, that we may protect the
world and not prey on it, that we may sow beauty,
not pollution and destruction.

Touch the hearts of those who look only for gain at
the expense of the poor and the earth.

Teach us to discover the worth of each thing, to
be filled with awe and contemplation, to recognize
that we are profoundly united with every creature
as we journey towards your infinite light.
We thank you for being with us each day.

Encourage us, we pray, in our struggle for justice,
love and peace. **Amen.**

Mary Says Thank You!

Mary Shiels would like to thank all who supported her recent fundraising events, gave personal donations and those who donated to her iDonate Page for Special Olympics World Winter Games. I'm delighted to say I have exceeded my target raising vital funds for Special Olympics Ireland.

Legion of Mary

Meeting every Friday in the Sacristy of St. Mary of the Rosary at 4pm.

Lenten Video series for Jubilee of Hope 2025

During the season of Lent, Holy Week and Easter Octave Bishop Fintan will share short daily messages (between 30 seconds and a minute) centred around the theme of Hope each day. This will be available on the main social media platforms, Facebook, X (formerly Twitter), Instagram, Linked-in, Bluesky, Tiktok, YouTube. The handle for most platforms is @BishopFintan
Some of the messages are from Bishop Fintan and many of them will also be from various people around the diocese, clergy, laity, women and men, young and old. All welcome to view and share and happy Jubilee of Hope!

This Week We Offer A Special Prayer For ...our Lenten Journey

In the desert of despair may we find Hope.
In the desert of fear may we find Release from Bondage.
In the desert of hunger and homelessness may we find Water.

In the desert of waste and want may we find Shared Bread.

In the desert of sickness and infirmity may we find Trust,
In the desert of emptiness and doubt may we find the Vast Expanse.

In the desert of isolation and rejection may we find a Desert Flower.

In the desert of pollution and desecration may we find Forgiveness.

In the desert of spiritual drought may we find The Well.
In the desert of sorrow and tears may we find the Empty Tomb.

In the desert of the darkest night may we find The Presence.

Amen.

All-Star to speak on Challenging Issues at Novena

The parish of Borrisokane in the Cois Deirge Pastoral Area, invites you to a four day Novena of reflection and prayer with the theme of "Hope and Healing". Our guest speakers are Roseanna Ruane, a native of Galway, mother of the late Saoirse who will speak on her experience of loss and her journey of hope. She will speak on Wednesday 12th March at 7:30pm.

Ciaran Carey a three time Hurling All Star with his native Limerick will address us on his struggles with addiction on Thursday 13th March at 7:30pm

Coming to us from Athlone is Marion Carroll a MS sufferer who was cured at Knock Shrine in 1989. She will be our guest speaker on Friday night the 14th March at 7:30pm. Bishop Fintan will celebrate "Healing & "Anointing of the Sick" at our Saturday 7pm Mass, the final night of our Novena. He is joining us on a Jubilee year that has the theme of "Hope does not disappoint"

We extend a warm welcome to you all to join us for this special time.

Thank You

On behalf of Roscrea RSPCA and myself, many thanks to all who bought and supported 'The Seven Animals who saved baby Jesus'. 1000 copies were printed and all were sold. Thank you to all who stocked the Seven Animals locally – Gleeson's Shop, Nenagh Parish Shop & Office, Nenagh Bookshop, Easons and JKC Toymaster. Special thanks to Scoil Mhuire who hosted the launch of the book and Niall McNamara who was MC on the night. All proceeds went to Roscrea RSPCA and I'm delighted with the final total of €10,820. To you all heartfelt thanks, my prayers are with you. I plan to put the book on Amazon and will keep you posted. Until then check out the good work of the charity on www.roscreaspca.ie or on their social media.

Fr Lorcán

Odhrán Pastoral Area-Re-ignite our Youth Mass

Young People 15-22 please come along to get involved in our Youth Mass in St. Mary of the Rosary Church Sacristy 9th March at 2pm

All roles needed eg. Readers,
Eucharist Ministers, Musicians etc

Together We are Church

Anniversaries | Sat 8 - Sun 16 March

St Mary of the Rosary

Sat 8th 6.15pm	Anne Hayden (MM) Pat Griffin (1st A) & his father Eddie Griffin Mary & Eamonn O'Toole Sean & Nora Moylan & their son Michael
Sun 9th 12 noon	Connie Clear & his son Con Mary Finn Bill & Tess Lawlor Mary Bergin & Paddy Armitage & his grandson Baby Billy Ryan Séan Sheedy
Sun 9th 6pm	Rose Kennedy Janina Narkeviciene Raymond (Ramie) Hayes Cheryl Tooher Michael & Thomas Lane Nora Gleeson
Tues 11th 11am	Thomas & Maureen Hourigan Memorial Mass for Chris Mulcahy Ann McAuliffe (MM) David O'Meara (1st A) John Moroney (1st A) & his brother Michael Jack & Peg Nolan Pauline & Joe McLoughlin
Sun 16th 12 noon	Michael & Mary McManamon John Clerihan Margaret McLoughlin Margaret & Michael Hogan John Deely John Garrigan
Sun 9th 10.30am	St John the Baptist Roseann Rice Kathleen & Eamon Treacy
Sat 15th 7.30pm	Nancy & Ann Martin

Our Faithful Departed

Mayia Kate George
May She Rest In Peace. Amen

Readers | 15-16 March 2025

6.15pm	Seán Dwan
7.30pm	Miriam Toohey
8am	Geraldine Armitage
10.30am	Deborah O'Driscoll
12noon	Noel Tomlinson
6pm	Martin O'Brien

NOTICE BOARD

Weekly Collection €3,780 Thank you for your generosity.
Parish Office Opening Hours Mon-Fri | 9am-5pm
(4pm on Fridays)

Nenagh Pilgrimage to Medjugorje 2025

Join us for a special pilgrimage to Medjugorje during the Jubilee Year of Hope 2025, a journey of faith and renewal.

Dates: 2nd July to 9th July 2025 **Departure:** Cork
Arrival: Dubrovnik

This year marks the 44th Anniversary of the apparitions—a time to gather in prayer and grace. All are welcome. With Father Rexon as our Spiritual Director, we will share moments of reflection, prayer, and the sacraments. **Price:** €879

For details, contact Seán & Elaine Connolly: **Phone:** 089 453 1273 or 067 32178 Come, be part of this journey of hope.