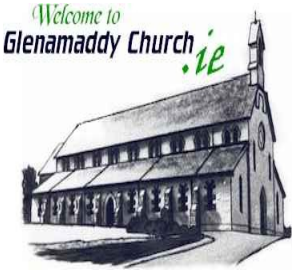
Glenamaddy Parish Newsletter



St. Patrick's Church— Sunday 22nd December 2024
Fourth Sunday of Advent

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Church Radio 106.4 FM

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Saturday 21st December

7pm	Mary Donegan, O'Keefe Park Tom Hussey, Fartown Martin & Elizabeth Fleming, Cloonlara South, their sons Miko, Patsy, John & Malachy. Denis Ryder, Mairead Coleman her son Cian Coleman & decd. family members, Dunmore. Michael Keadin.

Sunday 22nd December

7.30pm	Carol Service

Christmas Eve

8pm	People of the Parish

Christmas Day

11.30am	People of the Parish

Saturday 28th December

7pm	Mary & Patrick Donelon, Cashel, daughter Breege, grandson Sean & granddaughter Leaha. John & Mary Gannon, Middletown, Peter Gannon, Cashel & decd. family members. Martin & Mary Geraghty, Cashel & decd. family members. Mary Reilly, Lawrence and son John, Carrenderry. Paddy Burke, his parents James & Bridget, his brother Jim & sister in law Josie & decd. members of the Burke & Duggan families. John Garvey & decd. family members. Margaret Keaveny, James & Gary Keaveny, Bill & Kathleen Keaveny & Maeve Walsh, Church Street. Mary Comer, O'Keefe Park Michael & Nora Comer & son Paddy Joe, Leitra, & parents Patrick & Nora Kelly.

MASSES AND PRIESTS IN OUR CLUSTER AREA OF GLENAMADDY

Saturday	**Glenamaddy**	**7.00pm**
	Garrafrauns	**7.30pm**
	Clonberne	**7.30pm**
Sunday	**Kiltevna**	**10am**
	Williamstown	**10.30am**
	Kilkerrin	**11am**
	Dunmore	**11.30am**

Fr Anthaiah Pudota (094) 9643774

Fr. Fergal Cunnane (093) 38124

Fr. Tommie Commins (094) 9659212

PARISH BAPTISMS: A copy of your child's Birth Certificate is required and two weeks notice. To book your child's Baptism please phone (094) 9659962 during office hours. Baptisms will be the first Saturday of the month at 11am in Glenamaddy Church & the first Sunday of the month after Mass in Williamstown church.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL, DUNMORE helpline (086) 4169828

ADORATION every Monday except Bank holidays in the Church 9am-12 noon. 6pm-10pm.

THIS WEEK: SUNDAY COLLECTION: € 520.00
Thank you for your generosity

In December
Readers: John Keaveney & Mary Farragher
Eucharist Ministers: Patricia Keady, Deirdre Mannion, Helen Giblin
Prayers of the faithful: on 21st Alphy O'Brien, Christmas Eve Siobhan O'Brien, Christmas day Carmel Kenny,
28th Deirdre Brosnan
Basket collectors: Malachy Donelan, Dermot Dolan
Counting: Helen Fox, Margaret Keaveney, Helen Giblin
Flower arrangements: Mary Donelan

MASS in Williamstown church this week:
Christmas Eve—Mass at 6.30pm
Christmas Day—Mass at 10.00am

May the Blessing of Joy abide within you
May the Bessing of Peace rest upon you
May the Blessing of Love flow through you
May all the Blessings of the Lord be yours at Christmas and in the New Year

PARISH OFFICE is open to the public. Parishioners who wish to book Masses, require Mass cards or have any other query are asked to please call or phone the office (094) 9659962, office opening times are:

10am-12 noon Tuesday, Thursday & Friday, Glenamaddy Office, 10am-12 noon Wednesday, Williamstown Office (opening date to be confirmed). Queries by email can be sent to glenamaddychurch@gmail.com. Notices for newsletter can be emailed to glenamaddychurch@gmail.com .Deadline for notices is 10am on Friday morning.

Over the Christmas & New Year period the office will be closed Christmas Eve, Christmas Day & St Stephen's Day, New Years Eve & New Years Day.

A Thank you message

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all most sincerely for your valuable contribution to the church, through your faith, values, and weekly contributions. I would also like to express my deepest gratitude to anyone who has helped out in our church in any way: to the Sacristan, the Secretary, the Eucharistic Ministers, the Finance Committee, PC members, Readers of the Word of God, Readers of the Prayers of the faithful, the Basket collectors, the Counters, the Flower arrangers, the Church Cleaners, the FAS workers, for those who cleaned and decorated the church for Christmas, organised the crib and anyone who has helped in any way in the upkeep and running of our Parish Church. A special word of thanks to the choir who have provided us with the most beautiful music which has enriched our masses.

Please accept my apologies if I have left anyone out. May the child Jesus bring the gift of peace, joy and love to you and your family. May the blessings of the Lord be with you and your family this holiday season and beyond. I wish you all a very Happy and Joy filled Christmas and health & happiness in the NEW YEAR. God bless you all. Fr. Pudota

Parish Family Giving Tree

We think of those for whom Christmas is not joyous time of year, so again this year we will have our 'Parish Family Giving Tree'. This is located at the Baptismal Font area of our Church. Please place your unwanted gifts under the tree . Your unwanted gift will truly be a wanted give for somebody. All gifts will be donated to the Galway Simon Community. "For it is giving that we Receive"

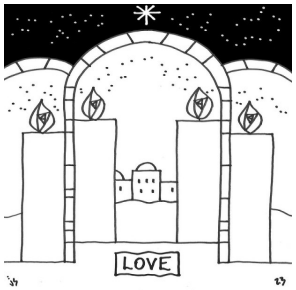
Jubilee Year of Hope 2025

Archbishop Francis will open the Jubilee Year of Hope at the annual Mass for Peace in Tuam Cathedral on Wednesday 1st January 2025, at noon.

St Jarlath's Credit Union— Wishing all our customers a very Merry Christmas & Prosperous New Year

Glenamaddy/Boyounagh Gun Club:

Open Clayshoot. St Stephens Day 26th December in Strangefort Bog.
Shooting starts at 10.30am. Last tickets at 3.00pm.
Prizes for Top Gun: 1st Place €150 and Trophy, 2nd place €75 and Trophy, 3rd place €50 and Trophy. Spot Prizes on the day.
Any enquiries contact: *Martin Murphy 083 8742489 Thomas O'Brien 086 3203498*



Family Fun Walk on St Stephen's Day at 11am in Glenamaddy Frass Greenway. Cuppa afterwards. Come along and enjoy the beautiful Greenway and a chat along the way.

GLENAMADDY COMMUNITY CENTRE would like to wish all our customers a very Happy Christmas & best wishes for 2025.
NEW YEARS DAY BINGO Wednesday 1st January at 8.30pm in the Community Centre. Jackpot of €500 on 48 calls.
GLENAMADDY COMMUNITY CLUBS' LOTTO draw on Wednesday nights. Next Wed's Lotto Jackpot will be €20,000. No Jackpot winner this week. Numbers drawn 9,17,25,30 2 matched 3 numbers sharing €100.

A Christmas Prayer

Loving Father,
Help us remember the birth of Jesus,
that we may share in the song of the angels,
the gladness of the shepherds,
and worship of the wise men.
Close the door of hate
and open the door of love all over the world.
Let kindness come with every gift
and good desires with every greeting.
Deliver us from evil by the blessing
which Christ brings,
and teach us to be merry with clear hearts.
May the Christmas morning
make us happy to be thy children,
and Christmas evening bring us to our beds
with grateful thoughts,
forgiving and forgiven,
for Jesus' sake.
Amen.