

Parish of Malin (Clonca) Sunday 12th January 2014
Solemnity of the Baptism of the Lord (Year A – Psalter – Week 1)

Written or e-mail items for the bulletin should reach Fr. Brendan or Malin Parochial House
 by 7pm on **Wednesday** of the week that publication is requested.

Please include a telephone number. (Email address: malinparish@hotmail.com)

Weekday Masses:

St. Patrick's Church, Aughaclay: Tuesday at 9.30am.
Malin Oratory: Friday at 10am.
Star of the Sea Church, Malin Head: Tuesday and Friday at 10am.
St. Mary's Church, Lagg: Thursday at 9.30am.

Anniversary Mass: For John Mc Laughlin, Shantla in St. Patrick's Church on Saturday 11th January at 6pm.

Anniversary Mass: For Willie Mc Keeney, Umgal in Star of the Sea Church on Sunday 12th January 12noon.

Anniversary Mass: For Ellen Farren, Gortnarrin in St Patrick's Church on Saturday 18th January at 6pm.

Anniversary Mass: For Danny Glackin, Belfast in St. Mary's Lagg on Sunday 19th January at 9am.

Anniversary Mass: For Hugh and Mary Smyth, Granard/London in St. Patrick's Church on Sunday 19th January at 10.30am.

Anniversary Mass: For Susan Mc Laughlin, Fawn, Malin in St. Patrick's Church on Saturday 25th January at 6pm.

Month's Mind Mass: For Patricia Mc Laughlin, Urblereagh in St. Mary's Church on Sunday 26th January at 9am.

Confessions: Saturday in St. Patrick's Church, Aughaclay 5.15pm - 5.45pm and 7.15pm - 7.45pm in Star of the Sea Church, Malin Head.

Collections: Thank You.

	Aughaclay	Lagg	Malin Head
Parish	591	160	405
Restoration	591	165	400

Parish Fund –	€1156
Restoration Fund –	€1156

Requiescat in Pace: We extend our sympathy to the family and relatives of Lawrence Mc Gilloway Dunegard/Galway who died during the week.

Confirmation Candidates: The next meeting of the Confirmation Candidates will take place in Star of the Sea Church on Tuesday 14th January at 7pm. The usual transport arrangements will be available in each school at the beginning of the week.

Parish Draw: Meetings of promoters of Parish Draw on Tuesday 14th January at 8.30pm in Parochial House, Emmaus, Drumcarbit.

Revenue Charity Scheme: If you have not yet completed your tax form for rebate of tax for parish funds. We invite you to do so as soon as possible as the returns will be made shortly. Thanks to those who have already generously returned their completed forms. This is a painless opportunity to relieve our parish debt and does not affect your confidentiality or tax status.

Renewal of Subscription of Parish Draw: Subscription for six month period is €35. Contact any promoter. We request new members to join when subscription begins again in shortly.

Parish Draw: The Parish Draw is an essential part of Parish Fundraising. It will begin again at the end of January. Subscription for six months is 35 euros. We would hope that someone in every family would support the Draw. New Promoters are very welcome to help support your Parish.

Hymns at Lagg for Christmas Season: - *Entrance:* O Come All Ye Faithful No.382. *Offertory:* Away In a Manger. No.53. *Communion:* Silent Night. No.477. *Recessional:* Hark The Herald Angels Sing. No.202.

Malin Parish Draw: The winners for Sunday 5th January are: 1. €200: Eileen Doherty Hegarty, Culdaff. 2. €130: Carmel Mc Laughlin, Slieveban, Malin Head. 3. €65: Mary Mc Laughlin, Millview, Dunross, Culdaff.

Malin Bingo: Bingo is held in St Patrick's Hall, Malin every Sunday night at 8.30pm. Winners for Sunday 5th January are: €65: Majella Duffy, Glengad. €130: Sheila Mc Clay, Glengad; Margaret Mc Cauley, Moville; Sadie Mc Gonagle, Glengad; June Gillingham, Culdaff. Next week's Snowball is €500 on 46 numbers; €300 on 48 numbers.

Malin GAA: No winner of last week's lotto jackpot of €1500. Sequence drawn was 5-3-7-2-4-6-1. 50 euro winner Marian Kelly, Drumcarbit. 20 euro sellers prize- N and R Kelly, Malin. Next week's jackpot stands at €1550 and as always we would like to thank the local community for their continued support of our weekly lotto draw.

(Pauline Mc Laughlin F) will be taking over the running of the club shop for the next few weeks, should you require anything urgently, please call 086 3799841.

Carndonagh Community School: There will be a meeting for The Malin Parish Parents of Carndonagh Community School pupils, in Scoil Treasa Naofa, Malin on Tuesday 21st January at 8.30pm.

Urbleragh NS: Enrolment application forms for school year 2014/2015, will be available on the first day of the second term and must be submitted by the mid-term of the second term.

Heritage Social: Next Heritage Social is on Wednesday 15th January (weather permitting). Entry forms for the Living History Competition are available from Tracey Porteous (Malin Head Youth Club), the Community Centre and Mullins Shop. Closing date for completed entries is 27th January.

New Malin Head Heritage Booklet: The new Malin Head Heritage Booklet is now available in all the local shops and pubs and in Mattie's shop in Malin Town priced at 2 euro. Some back issues are available in Mullins' shop if you would like to send them to friends abroad.

Five Alive Draw: The winners of the Five Alive Draw for Saturday, 4th January were: Susan Mc Avenue, Cormac Cullinan, Neilie O'Donnell and Mary Brinie. The lucky ball number was 35.

Attention Students! Malin Head Heritage Group is running a new "Living History Competition". This competition is open to all students of any age, especially Secondary School pupils. We want you to interview your oldest living neighbour or relative from Malin Head and write up the information you discover. Entry forms are available from the Youth Club, the Community Centre and Mullin's Shop. First prize is 50 euro and there are various other prizes. This was run last year very successfully and produced some great stories gathered by our young people from the older generations!

Malin Head Community Sports Field Draw: There was no winner of the Malin Head Community Sports Field Draw on Sunday 5th January. The numbers drawn were 2,5,3,14,7,6. The bonus prize of €50 was won by Damian Ward, Northtown, Malin Head. Thank you for your support.

Ballymena NS Silver Circle: 1. €120: Davey Mc Dermott, Drumcarbit, Malin. 2. €50: Mary Synott, Malin. 3. €30: Mary Doherty, Westown, Malin Head.

Ceili & Old Time: In the Colgan Hall Carndonagh Friday 24th January. Music by Martin Doogan 9 pm until midnight. Adm €5 inc supper hosted by Glenmakee N.S. Parents Committee. Come along and enjoy the dancing.

Coláiste Chineál Eoghain: Inishowen's Irish medium Secondary School, invite pupils and parents to it's Open Night on Tuesday, 14th January at 7pm at the school in Tullyarvan Mill, Buncrana.

Malin Ballet: Become a real life ballerina with Malin Ballet. Classes held in Malin GAA Clubhouse on Mondays. 3-4yrs at 3.45pm-4.45pm, 5-7yrs at 4.50pm-5.50pm. New classes for adults and older children coming soon! Classes €5 per child per class. Any enquiries please call 0867250918.

Health Service Executive: Applications are invited for the above 1 year project which is based at the James Connolly Memorial Hospital and Carndonagh Community Hospital. There are a number of Project Worker vacancies, which include Activity Support Worker, Bus Divers and escorts these candidates may be required to assist in all of these areas. These positions will afford participants the opportunity to gain valuable work experience in the caring field. DSP eligibility criteria will apply. Applications to: Mr Julian Theseira, JCM Hospital, Carndonagh, Tel 9374206.

Solemnity of the Baptism of the Lord: Today the Church celebrates the Solemnity of the Baptism of Our Lord. This brings to an end the Season of Christmas. The Church recalls Our Lord's second manifestation or epiphany which occurred on the occasion of His baptism in the Jordan. Jesus descended into the river to sanctify its waters and to give them the power to beget sons of God. The event takes on the importance of a second creation in which the entire Trinity intervenes.

Many of the incidents which accompanied Christ's baptism are symbolical of what happened at our Baptism. At Christ's baptism the Holy Spirit descended upon Him; at our Baptism the Trinity took its abode in our soul. At His baptism Christ was proclaimed the "Beloved Son" of the Father; at our Baptism we become the adopted children of God. At Christ's baptism the heavens were opened; at our Baptism heaven was opened to us. At His baptism Jesus prayed; after our Baptism we are invited to pray to avoid sin. The Baptism in the Jordan returns to the great Christmas theme of 'Christification', Jesus of Nazareth's spiritual anointing, His presentation as the Anointed One per excellence, the Messiah or the One sent by the Father for the salvation of all people. The Spirit that descended on Jesus shows and seals this 'Christification' of Jesus' humanity that the Word had become 'Incarnate'. The first period of Ordinary Time begins tomorrow until the beginning of Lent – 5th March.

Faith and Courage is what will get you through this life. In life there are people that will hurt us and cause us pain, but we must learn to forgive and forget and not hold grudges. In life there are mistakes we will make, but we must learn from our wrongs and grow from them. In life there are regrets we will have to live with, but we must learn to leave the past behind and realize it is something we can't change. In life there are people we will loose forever and can't have back, but we must learn to let go and move on. In life there are going to be obstacles that will cause interference, but we must learn to overcome these challenges and grow stronger. In life there are fears that will hold us back from what we want, but we must learn to fight them with the courage from within. God holds our lives in his hands. He holds the key to our future. Only he knows our fate. He see's everything and knows everything. Everything in life really does happen for a reason: "God's Reason".

'I baptise you in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.'