

**Fifth Sunday Year B
Sunday February 5th, 2012**

FIRST READING: *Job 7:1-4.6-7*

Job began to speak:
Is not man's life on earth nothing more than pressed service,
his time no better than hired drudgery?
Like the slave, sighing for the shade,
or the workman with no thought but his wages,
months of delusion I have assigned to me,
nothing for my own but nights of grief.
Lying in bed I wonder, 'When will it be day?'
Risen I think, 'How slowly evening comes!'
Restlessly I fret till twilight falls.
Swifter than a weaver's shuttle my days have passed,
and vanished, leaving no hope behind.
Remember that my life is but a breath,
and that my eyes will never again see joy.

Praise the Lord who heals the broken-hearted.

SECOND READING *1 Corinthians 9:16-19.22-23*

I do not boast of preaching the gospel, since it is a duty which has been laid on me; I should be punished if I did not preach it! If I had chosen this work myself, I might have been paid for it, but as I have not, it is a responsibility which has been put into my hands. Do you know what my reward is? It is this: in my preaching, to be able to offer the Good News free, and not insist on the rights which the gospel gives me. So though I am not a slave of any man I have made myself the slave of everyone so as to win as many as I could. For the weak I made myself weak. I made myself all things to all men in order to save some at any cost; and I still do this, for the sake of the gospel, to have a share in its blessing.

Gospel Acclamation *Jn 8: 12*
Alleluia, alleluia!
I am the light of the world, says the Lord, anyone who follows me will have the light of life. Alleluia!

GOSPEL *Mark 1:29-39*

On leaving the synagogue, Jesus went with James and John straight to the house of Simon and Andrew. Now Simon's mother-in-law had gone to bed with fever, and they told him about her straightaway. He went to her, took her by the hand and helped her up. And the fever left her and she began to wait on them. That evening, after sunset, they brought to him all who were sick and those who were possessed by devils. The whole town came crowding round the door, and he cured many who were suffering from diseases of one kind or another; he also cast out many devils, but he would not allow them to speak, because they knew who he was. In the morning, long before dawn, he got up and left the house, and went off to a lonely place and prayed there. Simon and his companions set out in search of him, and when they found him they said, 'Everybody is looking for you.' He answered, 'Let us go elsewhere, to the neighbouring country towns, so that I can preach there too, because that is why I came.' And he went all through Galilee, preaching in their synagogues and casting out devils.

**Padre Pio Novena
St. Muredach's Cathedral February 6 – February 14**

Mon. Feb. 6 to Fri.Feb.10: Rosary 7.30 p.m.- Mass at 8 p.m.
Saturday Feb.11: Rosary at 7 p.m. - Mass at 7.30 p.m.
Sunday Feb.12: Rosary at 5.30 p.m. - Mass at 6 p.m.
Mon. Feb.13 & Tues. Feb.14: Rosary 7.30 p.m.- Mass 8pm

The **Month's Mind** for **Fr. Seán McHugh**
in St. James' Church, Easkey
Sun. Feb. 19th at 11.30am.

Priest on Duty: 087-2586015

MASSES THIS WEEK

St. Muredach's Cathedral

Monday, February 6
8.00 a.m. **Jack, Annie, Martina & Paul Syron, Crossmolina & Deceased family.**
10.00 a.m. **Nan & Frank Quinn; Frankie & Sean Quinn. Jim Gallagher, 32 Riverside Drive. Maureen Fahy nee McLoughlin; Millicent Timlin, Carrowcushlaun.**

Tuesday, February 7
8.00 a.m. *Intention.*
10.00 a.m. **Parsons & Finnegan Families, Ballina. Anthony & Ann Egan, Farranmorgan.**

Wednesday, February 8
8.00 a.m. *Intention.*
10.00 a.m. **Laurence & Florence Gilmartin, Ballinahaglish. Teresa (Terry) Murphy, Quay Rd./Ridgepool Nursing Home; Michael & Bridget Jackson, Ardnaree; Joe Reilly.**

Thursday, February 9
8.00 a.m. *Intention.*
10.00 a.m. *Intention*
Friday, February 10
8.00 a.m. *Intention*
10.00 a.m. *Intention*
Saturday, February 11
No 8.00 a.m. Mass
10.00 a.m. **Kevin Loftus, Lord Ed. St. (First Anniversary)**

St. Patrick's Church

Monday, February 6
7.30 p.m. **Matt & James Clarke, Knockanillaun. Bridget & Thomas McDonagh; Deceased McDonagh Family, Doohoma.**

Tuesday, February 7
9.30 a.m. **Tony & Kitty Browne, Tony Browne Jnr.; Eileen Griffin, Johnny Cawley & Tom, London.**

Wednesday, February 8
9.30 a.m. **Mona Mitchell, 20 Mount Assumpta.**

Thursday, February 9
9.30 a.m. *Intention*
Friday, February 10
9.30 a.m. **Mary & Jarlath Garvin, Childers Hgts.**

Saturday, February 11
9.30 a.m. **Jimmy & Mai Geraghty, Garden St.**

**ST. MUREDACH'S CATHEDRAL
WEEKEND MASSES**

Sat. @ 7.30 p.m.
Sun. @ 8.00 a.m., 9.30 a.m., 11.00 a.m. & 12.30 p.m.

WEEKDAY MASSES

Mon. – Fri. @ 8.00 a.m.; Mon. – Sat. @ 10.00 a.m.

CONFESSIONS

Cathedral – Sat. 12 Noon – 1.00 p.m.;
Sat. 6.30 p.m. – 7.15 p.m.
Tel. 70555

ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH

WEEKEND MASSES

Sat. @ 8.00 p.m.
Sun. @ 10.00 a.m., 11.15 a.m. & 12.30 p.m.

WEEKDAY MASSES

Mon. @ 7.30 p.m.; Tues. – Sat. @ 9.30 a.m.

CONFESSIONS

Sat. 7.00 p.m. – 7.30 p.m.

To book Masses tel. 096 70555 .

Parish Team: Fr. Gerry O'Hara P.P., tel.: 71365;
Sr. Maureen McDonnell, tel.: 23066
Fr. Gabriel Rosbotham CC, tel.: 71355;
Fr. Martin O'Hare CC, tel.:71360;
Fr. Muredach Tuffy CC, tel.: 72066.

Baptisms: **Gerard Oliver Pio Lawrence, Riverside Drive. Aaron Peter Aschmann, Moy Hgts.**

Deaths: **Charlie Joe Deacy, Quay Rd./Straide. Breege Gallagher, Shanaghy. Dougie Robinson, England/Carrowcushlaun.**

Spiritual Journey
continues in the Newman Institute on Wed. at 10.30 a.m. All welcome.

Bible Study
Bible Study Community invites you to explore the theme "The Kingdom of God" every Thursday evening at 7.30 p.m. in the Newman Institute Ballina.

Afternoon of Prayer Medjugorje
Sun 5 Feb. 3 – 6 p.m. in the Pastoral Centre. Mass at 5 p.m. .

February 5th is the First Sunday.
Bishop John Fleming of the Killala diocese will celebrate the Eucharist at Holy Hill in Skreen at 12 noon. All are invited for Mass and to visit afterwards. There is Eucharistic adoration in the small chapel in the afternoon closes with some silence in chapel. All are welcome. 071-91-66021.

Reflections for Lent in St. Patrick's Church, Ballina
Every Wed. 7-8 pm starting Ash Wednesday
Theme: Healing and Hope.

For further information call any of the following members of the **Prayer Guidance Team:** 087 9688901; 087 9740730; 086 3426599; 087 6978839; 087 9213999

Ms. Siobhán Leonard's Retirement Function
Ballina Manor Hotel 11 Feb. - 8.00 p.m. Tickets available in Scoil Íosa -096 70532.

Ardnaree Sarsfields GAA U8 and U10 boys and girls Gaelic Football Training will take place in the Ballina Community Sports Centre (beside the swimming pool) from 5pm to 6pm beginning Friday 10 February. All welcome.

GIY (Grow It Yourself)
Feb. Meeting Wednesday 8 Feb at 7pm in the Ballina Library. There will be a short talk on a sustainable eco-friendly method of growing, called Woodland Gardening, followed by small group discussion on what to do this month in the vegetable garden. All welcome from beginners to experienced growers.

Scoil Íosa, Convent Hill, Ballina, is presently enrolling children who wish to start school in September. Contact Mrs. Sheila O'Grady, Principal tel. 70532, for appointment. You are welcome to visit with your child.

I.C.A.
Meeting on Tues. 7 Feb.at 3 p.m. in the Community Centre. Item on Agenda 'Pancakes'.

St. Joseph's Secondary School
invites 6th class Primary School students to our Open Day on Monday 6th February from 10am-2.15pm. Parents, Guardians and students are invited to our Open Evening on Monday 6th from 6.30pm - 9.30 pm.

Ballina Trades Council Support March
To demonstrate our concern over the confirmed closure of 14 of the 62 hospital beds in St. Joseph's District Hospital, Ballina and the closure of the Psychiatric Unit, and the potential further cuts and bed closures in St. Augustine's Nursing Home and the detrimental affect these closures and cut-backs will have on the vulnerable members of our community we are organising a **protest march today Sunday at 3 p.m.** The march will commence from Cathedral Rd., and proceed to Mercy Rd. for a public speaking rally. We strongly appeal to the many organisations in our locality to join us on this protest.

Emergency Numbers Gardai 999
Useful Numbers Fire Brigade 999
Women's Refuge Service 094 90 25409 Priest 087 2586015
Organ Donation 1890 543639 Cura 094 24866
Rape Crisis Centre 1800 234 900 Samaritans 1850 60 90 90
Citizens Information Centre 076 1075990 Aids Helpline 091 566266

Kilmoremy Parish Pastoral Council 2012-2015
Chairperson: Jim Walshe; Vice-Chairperson: Edel Sheridan
Correspondence Sec.: Mary Keane; Recording Sec.: Anne Sweeney
Thank you and good wishes to them and to all the council members for agreeing to give so generously of their time and experience.

Ballina FRC Bereavement Support Group
meeting in Ballina Family Resource Centre Abbey Street Ardnaree at 8pm on Tuesday **7 February**. For more information call 096-75573.

Grow Meetings
in Community Centre on Tuesday nights at 8 p.m. for people with depression, stress etc. Further information tel. 094 9026417.

Free Alexander Technique Talk / Demonstration Introductory
at the Newman Institute on Wednesday 15 Feb. from 7:30 to 8:45. For anyone who would like to learn about Alexander technique and the many benefits.

Gaelscoil na gCeithre Maol Primary School
Final enrolments for entry in September 2012 for Gaelscoil na gCeithre Maol Primary School, Killala Rd. Enrolment form and/or more information tel. 73828.

Irish Guide Dogs for the Blind
Sincere thanks to all who contributed to recent Church gate collection. Total raised amounted to €2,563.36.

Table Quiz
In aid of Mayo/Roscommon Hospice in Mickey O'Boyle's, Ardagh on Fri. 10 Feb. at 9 p.m. Table of 4 €20. Please support.

Spring Program for people affected by Cancer
Classes in Yoga, Relationships & Motivation and Confidence building are beginning in February. For further information or to book a place contact 094 9038407.

25 Card Game
on 9 Feb at 9 p.m. in Gallagher's Pub, Bonniconlon in aid of St. Luke's Mayo Roscommon Hospice.

Ballina Salmon Festival meeting
February 7th at 8.30pm in the Festival office Teeling Street. New members and ideas welcome.

West Of Ireland Womens Mini Marathon
Ballina Community Sports Centre team will participate in the West of Ireland Women's Mini Marathon on Sunday May 6. Sponsorship cards now available for our chosen charity, St. Vincent De Paul, Ballina. Details tel.78984.

Behy N.S. Ballina - final enrolments now being accepted for **September 2012**. Please contact school office at 096 - 70469 for application form and information.

Moyné College invites you to our **OPEN NIGHT on Thursday 9th February** between 7pm and 9pm. Enrolment on Thursday 9 February 7pm-9pm and Friday 10 February 6pm-8pm. Enquiries (096) 21472 or email info@moynecollege.ie

St. Muredach's College Night Classes
Enrolling for barbaring, self-esteem, computer (Skype, Facebook etc.), City & Guilds identification of plants courses. Tel. Francie 086 8035804.

St. Patrick's College, Lacken Cross, Killala
Pre-enrolment Open Evening Wed. 8 Feb, 6 p.m. – 9 p.m.

Ardnaree Sarsfields Club
Training for all U-8's and U-10's from the Ardnaree Sarsfields Club will commence Friday, Feb 10 between 5 and 6 p.m in the Ballina Sports and Leisure Centre. All players of this age group are very welcome. Tel. Sean Lynch @ (087) 2887402.

Mayo Stroke Support group for people living with the experience of stroke and their carers. Next meeting Thursday 9th February at 2pm in the Newman institute.

Community games AGM was held on Feb 1st as advertised. Unfortunately not enough people attended to form a Committee, therefore there will be no Community games in Ballina this year.

Gardai 096 20560 Westdoc 1850 365 000
Childline 1800 666 666 Accord 21478
St. Vincent de Paul 72905 MABS 72902
Ballina Hospital 21166 Grow 094 9026417