



Paróiste Chill Taobhóige

Tithe Pobail Ghleann Fhinne agus
Leitir Bric

Twentieth Sunday of —Year A— 16th August 2026

An tAth Lorcán Ó Searcaigh . S. P.

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Next Weekend Masses

Dé Sathairn—Saturday

Glenfinn @ 6.00 p.m

Dé Domhnaigh Sunday

Leitir-Bric @9.45am

Glenfinn @11.00am

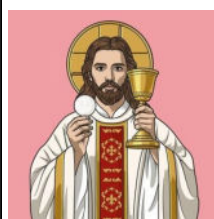


Confessions

After Mass any day and especially after Mass on Saturday after vigil Mass.

August Intentions of our Holy Father Pope Leo XIV

Let us pray that in large cities, often marked by anonymity and loneliness, we find new ways to proclaim the Gospel, discovering creative paths to build community.



Saturday August 15th 6 p.m.

John & Annie McGlynn
Anniversaries.

**Sunday August 16th
9.45 a.m.**

Anthony McGlynn
2nd Anniversary.

11 a.m.

John Carlin, Ballincor
12th anniversary.

Saturday 22nd August 6 p.m.

John McGinty (John Dhónall
Andy)

15th anniversary.

Sunday 23rd 11 a.m.

Maureen & Jim Foy
Anniversaries.



Aifrin na Seachtaine

Masses this week

Mass only on 17th Monday

At 10 a.m.

Adoration

Will be on Friday night
from **7 p.m.** And finishing at
9 p.m.

Please come along to
the chapel at any time
during those 2 hours and
stay for as long or a
short period as you wish.

You can join in from
home as well because
the Blessed Sacrament
can be viewed
On live-streaming.

The Community Employment Scheme is seeking a part-time Kitchen Assistant for the Cloghan Day Centre. The closing date for applications is Wednesday 9th September 2026.



Thoughts on the Readings for the 19th Sunday August 16th 2026

Today in the Gospel, we have a continuation of last week's story about the feeding of thousands of people by Jesus in the desert. Immediately after the event, we are told that Jesus: ...*made the disciples get into a boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds.* Was there reluctance on their part to go? Certainly there is the implication that the disciples were not too willing to leave the scene. They were enjoying the reflected glory of being part of Jesus' 'miracle' and the enthusiasm of the crowds for Jesus, 'their' Jesus. They were basking in the reputation of being partners with Jesus. Yet, it won't be very long before they will be hiding, even denying under oath, ever having had connection with him. Jesus himself, after having dismissed the crowds: ...*went up the mountain by himself to pray.* In John's version of this story he tells us that the people, after being fed by Jesus, actually wanted to make him their king. They, like the disciples, have totally missed the meaning of what has happened. Here indeed was a real source of temptation. Jesus could easily have convinced himself that here was a golden opportunity to get control of the crowds and 'save' them. They were so ready to follow him—it seemed. The world was at his feet. There is an echo here of one of the temptations in the desert after his baptism: ...*the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory, and he said to him, "All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me."*

Glenfin Area Council - Monthly Draw 2026/27

The Glenfin Area Council would like to express their sincere appreciation for your ongoing support of local initiatives. Your support is greatly valued.

Proceeds from this year's monthly draw will be dedicated to the development of Independent Living Accommodation for seniors adjacent to Ionad Pobail Gleann Fhinne.

In the coming weeks, volunteers will be visiting homes to provide information and selling lines in the new Monthly Draw for 2026/27. The monthly prize fund totals €1,000, with a first prize of €500 and five additional prizes of €100 each. Additionally, there will be a special bonus draw in December, featuring ten €100 prizes.

There will be a **Mass for Expectant Families** in the Cathedral, Letterkenny at 7 p.m. on Tuesday 8th September. Bishop Coll will be Celebrant.

Heritage Week This very interesting topic on what is known as '**A Ribbon Conspiracy in Cloghan**'. Will be the subject of a talk on Local History this Sunday night, Sunday 16th at 7.30 p.m. In the Day Centre. *All Welcome.*

CLG GHLEANN Fhinne Lotto numbers for Tuesday 28th July were 7-6-2-3-5-8-1-4. Congratulations to Ryan Dorrian who wins €60. The jackpot next week is €10,000.

Club App CLG Ghleann Fhinne is excited to announce our new Club App is coming soon. The App will contain all our club news, weekly fixtures and updates, membership and much more. Further information to come in the coming weeks.

Our annual **Donegal Down Syndrome Association Church Gate Collection** is now only a few weeks away. The collection will take place outside church gates on Saturday 29th and Sunday 30th August 2026.

Are you feeling overwhelmed, have a query or simply want to discuss your caring role? **Family Carers Ireland** are running support clinics remotely every Tuesday for the month of August. These clinics offer you a space and time talk over the phone in the comfort of your own home. To Book Call/text 0868363842 or email Donegalcs@familycarers.ie