Give Hope This Christmas with Double the Love: Mary's Meals provides life-changing school meals to more than 3 million children living in some of the world's poorest communities. The promise of a good meal brings hungry children into the classroom, where they can gain an education and better opportunities for the future. It costs just €22 to feed a child with Mary's Meals every day for a school year. Thanks to the Tom Cunningham Trust, donations will be doubled until 12th January 2026 or until the match funding limit has been reached. Together, through Double the Love, we can transform the lives of many more desperately hungry children waiting for Mary's Meals. To donate, go to www.marysmeals.ie or phone 01 853 5163. Every donation is greatly appreciated. Thank you.

CORLOUGH CHURCH MONTH OF DECEMBER

MINISTERS OF THE WORD: Sat. 6th & Mon. 8th: Sharon Caffrey.

Sat. 13th: Dee Owens. Sat. 20th: Sharon Caffrey

Wed. 24th Christmas Eve: Mary Flanagan

Sat. 27th: Sharon Caffrey.

EUCHARISTIC MINISTER: Mary O'Rourke.

Wed. 24th Christmas Eve: Mary O'Rourke, Emer Devine & Agnes McGovern.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION:

Sat. 6th: Paul & Brian Cassidy.

Mon. 8th: Aiden Cassidy & Gerry Devine.

Sat. 13th: Aiden Cassidy & Gerry Devine. Sat. 20th: Paul & Brian Cassidy.

Wed. 24th Christmas Eve: Aiden Cassidy & Gerry Devine.

Sat. 27th: Aiden Cassidy & Gerry Devine.

ALTAR SOCIETY: Emer Devine & Kathleen Dolan

Ho-Ho-Ho: Santa will arrive in Bawnboy today Sunday 14th December at 6pm to switch on the Christmas Lights and distribute gifts to the children. Our annual draw will also take place to fund additional lights. Tickets available in Maguire's shop, committee members and parents. Donations of goods for the hampers would be appreciated and can be left into Sheila, Keepers Arms 087-4115718 or Katie Donohoe, 087-6291782. Thank you for your continued support.

Cystic Fibrosis Christmas Cards are now on sale from Imelda, Mountain View Garden Centre, Ballyconnell Post Office, Cara Pharmacy, Ballyconnell. Pack of 10 - €7.

St. Aidan's National School will host a special Candlelit Christmas Concert on Monday, 22nd December in St. Mogue's Church, featuring performances by Kevin Logue and Charlie McGettigan. Admission is by voluntary contribution at the door, and all parishioners are warmly invited to join us for what promises to be a beautiful evening of music and community. As part of the event, the school is also fundraising for a new playground, which will greatly benefit the children of the parish. Anyone who wishes to support the project can donate through our iDonate link: https://www.idonate.ie/fundraiser/HelpUsBuildOurNewSchoolPlayground

CORLOUGH/TEMPLEPORT PARISH NEWSLETTER







Sunday 14th December, 2025 - Third Sunday of Advent Fr. Sean Maguire P.P. – Telephone 49 9523103 / 087 2101540 Msgr Liam Kelly P.P. Kildallan - 049 9526291/ 087 9877739

Parish Website: www.corloughtempleport.com Parish Radio: FM108 (All churches)

Webcam: www.churchTV.ie/bawnboy www.churchTV.ie/corlough

Facebook: Corlough-Templeport parish

Email: corloughtempleport@gmail.com templeportnewsletter@gmail.com

8.15pm		
6.13pm	Corlough	Teresa McCabe, Tullywaum
		William and Kathleen Dolan, Cortoon
		Mary, Phil and Francis McBrien, Altachullion
9.30am	Kilnavart	People of the Parish
11.00am	Bawnboy	Veronica O' Reilly, Port (Months Mind)
9.00am	Kilnavart	
9.00am	Bawnboy	
9.30am	Corlough	
9.00am	Bawnboy	Special Intention
8.00pm	Kilnavart	Dan Doherty, Malin Head
		Tommy, Kathleen, Johnny and Paddy Gough,
		Cranaghan
		Francis, Catherine, Owen, Thomas and Nora
		Maguire, Clinty
12noon	Corlough	Sean Prior, Muineal
8.15pm	Corlough	
9.30am	Kilnavart	Maura Heery, Cloneery
11.00am	Bawnboy	Francis, Kathleen, PJ and Collette Flanaghan,
	·	Bawnboy and Kill
		Adam, Kathleen and Patrick Eves and the deceased
		members of the Eves family
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Offertory Collection Templeport. 07/12/25 €1212.13

Bawnboy: Reader Sunday Anne Smith Eucharistic Minister. Sunday Joe O'Reilly

Collectors for December: Cathal Shannon, Katie Donohoe

Kilnavart: Reader Sunday Catriona McManus
Eucharistic Minister Sunday Mairead McAweeney

Collectors for December: Phelim O'Rourke, Paddy Maguire (Toberlion)

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Wednesday	Corlough	9.55am-10,30am
Friday	Kilnavart	7.00pm-8.00pm

Recently Deceased: We pray for Keira Curran, Boley, whose funeral took place in St Mogue's Church, Bawnboy on Thursday and Patricia Askin, Bawnboy, whose funeral took place in St Mary's Church, Swanlinbar on Saturday.

Christmas Mass Times 2025:

Christmas Eve

St Patrick's Church, Kilnavart - 6.00pm (Family Mass)

St Patrick's Church, Corlough - 8.15pm

Christmas Day

St Patrick's Church, Kilnavart - 9.30am

St Mogue's Church, Bawnboy - 11.00am

Christmas Confessions

Sunday, the 21st of December: Ballinamore - 6.00pm

Ballyconnell - 7.30pm

Tuesday, the 23rd of December: Bawnboy - 7.50pm - 8.50pm

Baptism: The Christian community welcomes with great joy, Baby Patrick Ronan Brady, Ballyconnell, who was baptised in St Patrick's Church, Kilnavart, last Saturday.

Aid to the Church in Need: We welcome Brandon Scott, Promotions and Communications Officer with Aid to the Church in Need (ACN) Ireland, who will speak at all Masses in the parish this weekend about the work of ACN. This year's special Christmas collection and Crib donations will go towards the charity.

Evening of Prayer and Reconciliation in Preparation for Christmas: A candlelit evening of prayer before the Blessed Sacrament will take place on Tuesday, the 23rd of December in St Mogue's Church, Bawnboy. There will be Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament with seasonal music from 7.50pm to 8.50pm. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available during this time and a number of priests will be present. The evening will conclude with Benediction at 8.50pm and Mass at 9.00pm.

Christmas Collection and Crib Donations will go towards the charity, Aid to the Church in Need, which was established in 1947 to support Christians throughout the world who suffer for their faith.

'Gift of Prayer' booklet was beautifully published by Templeport Pastoral Council in 2010. Corlough-Templeport Pastoral Council has updated the booklet to include Corlough Church. The book was relaunched last Sunday and they are now available at the back of each church to take home.

St. Patrick's N.S, Corlough will hold their Christmas Carol Service in St. Patrick's Church on Thursday the 18th of December at 7pm. All are welcome.

Ballyconnell Church will host an Evening of Christmas Song with James Kilbane on Thursday, 18th December at 7.30pm.

Finance: The Parish Finance Committee would like to thank you for your contributions to the Offertory collection and the Priests Revenue throughout the year. As you know, the Financial year ends on the 31th December. Please note that only money lodged in 2025 can be receipted for 2025. If you are new to the parish or would like to receive a box of envelopes, please leave your details in the black box at the entrance to Bawnboy Church or contact a member of the Finance committee. If you intend to make a contribution to your local church by cheque, please make itpayable to either "Corlough Church Account" or "Templeport Church Account" and dues cheques to "Parish Revenue Account." If you would like to make a bank transfer, our bank details are as follows:,Templeport Parish Account: AIB, Ballinamore - IBAN: IE04 AIBK 93703709074097. Corlough Parish Account: AIB, Ballinamore - IBAN: IE84AIBK 93703705691043.

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Parish Revenue Account: AIB, Ballinamore- IBAN: IE70AIBK 93703709074170.

Please include your envelope number on the transfer, if possible.

'Thank you again for your generous support to your parish.

CHARITABLE DONATIONS FORM: We wish to thank those who have taken the time to complete the CHY3 form. Whether you are self-employed or a PAYE tax payer, you can help the church in your area by completing the CHY3 form and returning it in the basket. This does not give us access to any of your tax details or your personal tax data in any way. If you donate in excess of €250 per annum to the church and pay tax to Revenue, the CHY3 form can be used by the church to reclaim some of the tax you pay, and any money reclaimed is paid directly to the church account for your area.

Accord Pre-Marriage Course Dates 2026: 6th/7th February, 10th/11th April and 9th/10th October. Courses will take place in the Kilmore Diocesan Pastoral Centre, Cullies, Cavan, H12 E5 C7. To book a course please log on to: www.accord.ie

HaveYourSay about your Catholic School For Attention of Parents of children attending Primary Schools or have yet to start: The Department of Education is currently conducting a Primary School Survey that will determine the future provision of Primary Schools and crucially could lead to lasting changes in your school. In simple, direct terms, you are being asked if you want your school to stay a Catholic school or if you want that to change. # Don't leave it to others, have your say before 16 December 2025. See -

https://www.gov.ie/en/department-of-education/campaigns/primary-school-survey/

Whist Drive in Corlough Community Centre on Tuesday 16th December at 8.30 pm. All welcome.

Third Sunday of Advent - Rejoicing

"(The desert) will bloom with abundant flowers and rejoice with joyful song." "Rejoice in the Lord always!" "Shout for joy, O daughter Zion!"

The Scriptures for the Third Sunday of Advent proclaim their message in no uncertain terms: Rejoice! Joy is all around us and our celebration of Advent calls us to discover it. The joy that the Scripture passages speak about is not a joy that equates with hilarious laughter. It is a joy that comes from a security with our God, those around us, and our place in the world. It is the joy Isaiah describes when he writes, "I rejoice heartily in the Lord, in my God is the joy of my soul." It is a joy that cannot be bought or obtained from artificial highs. It is a joy that comes from our living faith in a living God. It is the joy we feel as we approach the birth of our Savior and remember the awesome beauty of what happened on that cold Bethlehem night.

Rejoice!