



O'Gonnelloe Parish
Inis Cealtra Cluster
17th Sunday of Ordinary Time
27th July 2025



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Parish Office open from 10am - 2pm on Thursdays for newsletter items, to be issued with sacramental certificates, to book anniversary masses or to get Mass Cards & Bouquets. Deadline for your notices for the newsletter is Thursday by 11am.

Weekday Masses for the week ahead

Tuesday 29th July: 10am Mass St Mary's Church
Thursday 31st July: 10am Mass St Molua's Church, Adoration
Friday 1st August: 10am Mass St Molua's Church and Adoration for 1 hour - First Friday
Saturday 2nd August: 8pm Mass St Molua's Church
Sunday 3rd August: No Mass

WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS AT THIS TIME

Sunday 27th July Mary Courtney - Months Mind
Henry & Margaret Vaughan - Anniversary **St Mary's 11am**
Friday 1st August Deceased members of the Connelly family **St Molua's 10am**
Saturday 2nd August Tom McKenna
Pauline & James Kelly **St Molua's 8pm**

Weekend Ministries

Date	Reader (please check with celebrant before Mass)	Eucharist Minister	Church Cleaning (to be cleaned week leading up to your date)
St Molua's July 27th - St Mary's 11am	No Mass Matthew O'Brien	No Mass Donal Molloy	Anne Molloy Christine Sheedy
Aug 2nd - St Molua's 8pm St Mary's	Padraic McInerney No Mass	Frances McKenna No Mass	Marie/Jude McInerney, Margaret Mooney Helen Reilly, Shirley McNulty
Aug 9th - St Molua's 8pm St Mary's	Majella Grady No Mass	Majella Grady No Mass	Anna McElhinney Breda McNamara, Margaret Kenney

Thank you for your continued kind generosity & support.

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"Expect the best; turn problems into opportunities".
THINK ABOUT IT!

Parish/Diocesan News

First Friday: will be held on Friday 1st August at 10am in St Molua's with 1 hour of Adoration after mass.

Parish Accounts: see attached parish accounts for 2023 and 2024.

Parish Pastoral Council: The new Pastoral Council is now fully formed. You are welcome to speak to any member of the Pastoral Council if there is something you would like to be raised at a meeting. The next meeting will be on 28th August at 9pm.

Graveyard Maintenance: Further to the collection in the New Cemetery Mass, we are grateful to all who donated for this special collection. People who may not been able to attend and support this worthwhile collection can do so to any member of the Pastoral Council or drop into the weekly basket collection and reference the graveyard appeal.

New Altar Servers: we are looking for new recruits! Children from Second Class upwards are invited to attend Altar Servers' training at a date to suit them. Please contact the Parish Office or speak to a member of the Parish Council if you would like more information or if you would like to put your child's name forward.

Pilgrimage to Lourdes: Bishop Fintan will lead our Diocesan Autumn Jubilee Pilgrimage to Lourdes from Monday 29th September to Saturday 4th October, direct from Shannon Airport. The remaining seats can be booked with joewalshtours.ie or Tel; 01 2410800

Reflection:

Van Gogh - Vincent van Gogh identified with the 'man of sorrows' who shared the lot of the poor, humiliated and broken. He saw his art as showing solidarity with the broken and the outsider. In a letter to his brother Theo he said: 'That does not keep me from having a terrible need of - shall I say the word - religion. Then I go out at night to paint the stars'. He looked at the poverty, loneliness and rejection suffered by Jesus who gave life to those in sorrow. He saw God in nature. When he painted the 'Starry Night' he said: 'When all sounds cease, God's voice is heard under the stars'. He saw the stars and the night sky as expressions of the love of God. He said 'the moon is still shining and the sun and evening start, which is a good thing - and they also speak of the love of God and makes one think of the word, 'So I am with you always, even to the end of the world' (Mt 28:20). He saw his art as consoling those who had been broken by life. It was a new way of expressing Jesus's ministry of compassion.

Ref: John O'Brien OFM, At Eternity's Gate: Artist of the Infinite, Amazon, 2020 p72.

Inis Cealtra News

The Inis Cealtra Pastoral Area comprises of the parishes of Bodyke & Tuamgraney, Ogonnelloe, Scariff, Feakle, Killanena & Flagmount, Mountshannon (Clonrush) & Whitegate and also provides services to Raheen Community Hospital.

Weekend Mass Rota for the coming months in Inis Cealtra Cluster will be:

Rota for August 2025

Saturday	Tuamgraney 6:30pm; Mountshannon 7pm; Ogonnelloe (St Molua's) 8pm
Sunday	Clonusker 9am; Killanena 9:30am; Feakle 10am; Scariff 11am

Rota for September 2025

Saturday	Scariff 6:30pm; Kilclaren 7pm
Sunday	Bodyke 9:30am; Flagmount 9:30am; Whitegate 10am; Scariff 11am; Ogonnelloe (St Mary's) 11am



The theme is "Blessed are those who have not lost hope (Sir 14:2)" In the Message, the Holy Father invites us to recognise the elderly not only as recipients of pastoral care, but as witnesses of hope who are active protagonists in the life of the Church.

Community/ Local News

Café Exchange: Café will be closed for July & August and will reopen in September. Thank you to all those who support the Café.

Recent Saturday Café morning - proceeds from this were donated to Motor Neurone Ireland with a total of €1149.43 raised. Thanks to all who worked and contributed. Thanks to our special guest Maura. Everyone wishes Marua well.

Ronan Collins Showband Hits & Stories in Sacred Heart Church, Scariff on Thursday 31st July at 8pm. Ronan Collins, broadcaster and singer, brings his new show to Scariff. With his knowledge of the showbands and stars and songs of that golden era, Ronan will sing the hits and tell the stories from an amazing time in Irish life, accompanied by Karen Black and the Sugarcubes Showband. Tickets €25. Limited space, tickets can be purchased at O'Meara's totalhealth Pharmacy (061 921 028) or online at www.scariffharbourfestival.ie

Helplines: • ALONE (for older people) 0818 222 024 • Women's Aid Helpline 1800 341900 • Clare Haven 065 6822435 • Samaritans, Ennis - 065 6829777 • St. Vincent de Paul, East Clare - 086 3921492.

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