



## O'Gonnelloe Parish

Second Sunday of Christmas  
3rd January 2021

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### Public Celebration of Mass

With level 5 restrictions now in place the celebration of Mass is only available online or broadcast on radio and TV. Visit [www.bodyketuamgraneyparish.ie](http://www.bodyketuamgraneyparish.ie) and follow the link for Mass online at 10am from Bodyke church from Sunday through to Friday. Scariff Bay Community Radio continues to broadcast 11am Mass live each Sunday as it has since the first lockdown. 88.3Fm or 92.7fm.

The church will remain open for personal prayer. You are encouraged to pray at home, including especially prayers for the sick, for those who are caring for the sick and for all who are working so hard to protect us.

O'Gonnelloe Parish Office is Open but with Covid HSE restrictions, from 11am-1pm for newsletter items, to be issued with sacramental certificates, to book anniversary masses (for online only) or to get Mass Cards & Bouquets. You can contact Joanne on 085 877 9113 or by email [office@ogonnelloeparish.ie](mailto:office@ogonnelloeparish.ie) Send your notices for the newsletter on Thursday by 11am. Newsletter will be available on O'Gonnelloe Parish Facebook page, [www.ogonnelloeparish.ie](http://www.ogonnelloeparish.ie) and on noticeboards inside and outside the churches. Some copies will be available inside churches to take home.

### WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS AT THIS TIME

People of the Parish, those who have passed away in the last year in our community, our beloved family and friends and all the Holy Souls.

Bodyke Church online Sunday 3rd January 10am Mary & Paddy Connelly (Anniversary)

Sympathy: Sincere sympathies to the O'Farrell family on the death of Michael, may his gentle soul rest in peace.

### Prayer to the Holy Spirit for the New Year

O Great Divine Spirit of truth,  
you dwell within us at all times,  
guiding us to test the word we hear  
to clarify your voice.  
Guide our ears to hear you more clearly  
and our eyes to see you.  
Guide our hearts to find you in the din  
of modern life.  
Give us the grace to hear your word  
the wisdom to discern it,  
and the courage to follow it. Amen



## Parish/Diocesan News

Thanks to all who were involved in our Christmas ceremonies; your contributions certainly helped to make our celebrations very special for those attending in person and watching online. Thanks to O'Gonnelloe GAA for allowing us the use of the car park for Christmas Eve mass; it was a very special occasion and míle buíochas to all involved.

To all across our parish, thank you for your support and let us continue to pray for one another as the New Year begins. Wishing each and everyone every blessing throughout 2021 and stay safe.

**The finance committee of the Parish Pastoral Council:** will shortly publish a summary of financial accounts for 2020 and we are grateful for your support during the year. You can continue to donate through the online button on our website.

**Current restrictions:** mean that mass is available online only at 10am from Sunday through Friday. If you wish to book an anniversary Mass you can do so through the parish office and intentions will be included at the online mass.

Churches are open at present but only for private prayer.

Funerals may only have 10 people present.

Weddings are limited to 6 guests.

Thank you for your co-operation and understanding.

**On-line Donations to Parish:** In these times of Government lockdown and restrictions on attendances at public masses, many people who are unable to attend church services are interested in contributing to the support of their parish or their priests. Sincere thanks to all our parishioners who have contributed during this time. It is now possible to make a contribution by credit or debit card directly to your parish using the Diocesan Website – [www.killaloe-diocese.ie](http://www.killaloe-diocese.ie). The full contribution as received by the Diocesan website will be fully paid to your parish. Simply go to the Diocesan Website and click on the red "Donate to your Parish" button on the top of the page. You will be invited to select your parish and the parish fund you wish to contribute to. Your support is greatly appreciated. You may also contact the parish office for information on how to contribute through your bank.

**Planning to get married in 2021?** You need to give at least six months notice for the completion of church and civil papers and so it would be a good idea to contact Fr. David to chat through the necessary requirements. This applies whether you are getting married in the parish, elsewhere in Ireland or overseas.

## Community/ Local News

**Helplines: East Clare Community Response 085 865 98 89: Clare Covid Community 1800 203600: ALONE (for older people) 0818 222 024: Women's Aid Helpline 1800 341900: Clare Haven 065 6822435.**

**COVID Tracker Ireland:** is a free app for your mobile phone. It will help us to protect each other and slow the spread of coronavirus (COVID-19) in Ireland. Check out <https://www.covidtracker.gov.ie> for further details.

**O'Gonnelloe Exchange:** We want to thank all in the Parish for the ongoing support in these difficult times - once more an evidence of the community spirit. We wish you all a peaceful Christmas, stay safe and let's all hope for a great welcome back in 2021 !

**ALONE:** manage a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to COVID-19 (Coronavirus). Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open seven days a week, 8am - 8pm by calling 0818 222 024, and will remain open over the New Year period.

**Clare County Library App:** Clare County Library has developed an app (Clare County Library app) to enhance your visit to the library. You will be able to check in and out your own books in our WiFi enabled libraries, including Scariff Library, with the app. You will also be able to check your own account, update your loans, search the catalogue, reserve books and e-resources. The Clare County Library app is free and available on the App Store and the Google Store

**Mountshannon Community Employment Scheme:** Following positions are available in Ogonnelloe: General Maintenance Operative CES 2145164. To enquire about the above vacancies please email [estennis@welfare.ie](mailto:estennis@welfare.ie) or Contact your INTREO case officer or check out [www.jobsireland.ie](http://www.jobsireland.ie) for job description and more details.

**All notices are as given & correct on going to print.**