



O'Gonnelloe Parish
Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time
14th February 2021



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Public Celebration of Mass

With level 5 restrictions in place the celebration of Mass is only available online or broadcast on radio and TV. Visit 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.

O'Gonnelloe Parish Office is CLOSED with Covid HSE restrictions. Please contact Joanne from 11am-1pm on Thursdays 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 Send your notices for the newsletter on Thursday by 11am. Newsletter will be available on O'Gonnelloe Parish Facebook page, 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.

Thurs 18th February 10am	Pj, Sissie, Eddie & Sr Mary Winifried St Lawrence	Bodyke Church Online
Monday 22nd February 10am	Jimmy Keown (3rd Anniversary)	Bodyke Church Online
Sunday 28th February 10am	John Moloney (Months Mind)	Bodyke Church Online

Reflection for Lent



As we look about us, we notice tiny signs of new life breaking through the hard crust of winter earth. Within us too there is the seed of new life planted at baptism. Lent is an invitation to renew our commitment to these baptismal promises. The purpose of our Lenten observances is to create conditions which make it possible for Christ's life to blossom in us. Anything that chokes that life needs to be uprooted so that Jesus may be visible in us giving new life and hope to those around us.

(From Scripture in Church for Ash Wednesday 2021 by a Dominican Nun)

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.

Parish/Diocesan News

To watch Mass online from Bodyke church

- Go to www.bodyketuamgraneyparish.ie
- Scroll to the section 'Notices & Events' and go to the notice 'Bodyke Church - Live Services'. In that notice click the link 'BodykeChurch' which will take you to the live service and you will also be able to see previously broadcast Masses. You do not need a Facebook account to watch the Mass.
- If you do have a Facebook account follow the 'Bodyke Church' page which will bring you to online Masses.
- The broadcast usually begins about five minutes before Mass is due to begin.

Current restrictions:

- Please continue to observe guidelines for public health and safety. It is important to stay at home; be responsible, sanitise and wear a face mask.
- Churches are open for private prayer - if you visit please be considerate of others and wipe seat and surfaces afterwards.
- Mass is available online everyday except Saturday at 10am.
- Please use the online donation button on the Killaloe Diocese website to make a contribution to the parish. All funds go directly to the parish. Arrangements for distribution of new boxes of envelopes will be made when restrictions ease. If you wish to donate by your bank please contact parish office for details.

Ash Wednesday - 17 Feb - is the beginning of Lent. Ashes will be blessed during the 10am Mass on Wednesday and this can be viewed online. Unfortunately the distribution of ashes cannot take place in the usual manner. Blessed ashes will be available in each of the churches; you are welcome to take them home and if you wish, make the sign of the cross on your own forehead (and that of your family) using these words: 'Repent and believe in the Gospel'.

Trócaire: Please pick up a Trócaire box or make your own into which you can place your offering through the season of Lent. This year's theme is 'War has taken enough...please help this Lent'.

Masses: Remember you can play back previous Masses anytime from the Bodyke Church page, easy to access through the website.

Many thanks: Thanks to those who painted the interior of St Mary's Church over the past few weeks - it is much appreciated. We are waiting for the go-ahead for builders to recommence non-essential work and soon after that St Molua's roof will be repaired followed by painting of the church interior.

Sacraments: There have been a number of inquiries about dates of sacramental celebrations; unfortunately we are not in a position to set any dates and it will likely be early March before we are able to do so. Please keep checking the parish website for any updates.

A Lenten Journey with the Question: Who is Jesus? An online workshop facilitated by the Diocese of Killaloe and presented by Vince Murray, former Director of Religious Education in St Angela's College, Sligo. This explores who Jesus is by examining the work of four modern thinkers. It will be presented on one day each week in Lent (six sessions) and each will be about an hour. The format will be an online presentation and a facilitated discussion. If you are interested, please contact: gerardmjsheeran@gmail.com

Community/ Local News

Ogonnelloe National School - Admission/Enrolment for September 2021: Applications for enrolment in Junior Infants for the School Year 2021-2022 will be accepted during the month of February 2021. Please complete the 2021 Application for Enrolment form, which you can find on our school website (www.ogonnelloens.com), and return to the school (either by post or email to office@ogonnelloens.com). Applications should be received no later than Friday, 5th March 2021. If you have any queries please contact office@ogonnelloens.com

Mounthannon 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 or Contact your INTREO case officer or check out www.jobsireland.ie for job description and more details.

Tourism East Clare will hold our Annual General Meeting via Zoom on the evening of Wednesday 24th February at 7:30pm. If you would like to attend, please email tourismeastclare@gmail.com to register. We welcome all our existing members and anyone with an interest in tourism in our beautiful East Clare.

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.

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