

# O'Gonnelloe Parish

## Third Sunday of Lent 7th March 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.

Sunday 7th March 10am Monday 8th March 10am Pakie (1st Anniv) & Teresa McMahon (6th Anniv) Bodyke Church Online Bride & Stan Mullen and deceased members of Bodyke Church Online Mullen family

#### **Reflection for Lent**

It is but

It is well to give when asked,

but it is better to give unasked, through understanding;

And to the open-handed the search for one who shall receive

is joy greater than giving.

And is there aught you would withhold?

All you have shall some day be given;

Therefore give now, that the season of giving may be yours and not you inheritors.

-from 'The Prophet' by Kahlil Gibran

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.



Please keep the following in mind; For public health and safety, Mass is online only. You can follow locally on the Bodyke parish website. Funerals are restricted to ten people or fewer and unfortunately con-celebration by priests is not permitted. If you do attend a funeral outside the church, please remember to keep social distance. Baptisms are not permitted at the moment. Visits to church are allowed for personal and private prayer. Remember to sanitise the space before you leave. Thank you for your continued co-operation and help at this time.

#### 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.
- Mass is available online at 10am each morning, except Saturday through the Bodyke parish website and you can
  watch the mass later during the day at the same site.

### **Current Updates:**

- 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.
- 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. If you wish to donate by your bank please contact parish office for details.

**Monday 8th March is the feast of St Senan** who was born near Kilrush. His family were wealthy but after a dangerous encounter on the sea, he began his studies for monastic life and ended up founding the monastery on Scattery Island just off the coast at Kilrush. He died around the year 544.

Reflection for Lent – Scariff Bay Community Radio continue their 'Taking Time Out' series at 6pm on Sunday evenings. You are invited to listen and find something through the prose, poetry and music to help your Lenten journey.

**Cleaning of the Churches:** Thanks to all who have continued to clean and maintain our churches; an extra pair of hands is always welcome so if you can help, please get in touch with Fr David or the Parish Office.

**Trócaire:** Please continue to support the Trócaire Lenten campaign; let your love travel thousands of kilometres to help brave women conquer fear and protect their families. Use the Trócaire envelopes available in churches or use your own envelopes. www.trocaire.org has more details of this year's campaign

**New boxes of envelopes for church collections** are being distributed at the moment or at the back of St Molua's Church. We appreciate the help of those who delivered the boxes and your continued generosity is very much appreciated. **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.

Catholic Grandparents Association - You are invited to join us for Mass (via the webcam) on churchcamlive.ie/cashel on the second Tuesday of each month at 10.30am. After Mass we pray the Rosary and include the Prayers of the Catholic Grandparents Association. If you would like to include an intention in this Mass, please send it to cashelparish@gmail.com The theme of each Mass is to keep prayer at the heart of family life and to pass on the faith to the next generations. Please join us on March 9th.

## **Community/Local News**

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

**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.

**Age Action:** Now more than ever it is important to have internet skills and to keep in touch with family and friends so Age Action is offering 5 hours of free remote tutoring by phone / video call to help older people use their smartphone, computer, tablet or ipad. The programme called Getting Started KIT takes place in your own home at a time that suits you and includes a free guide. For further information call 01 4756989 or e-mail gettiingstarted@ageaction.ie.

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