



O'Gonnelloe Parish

Third Sunday of Easter
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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 to the public due to 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 notice-boards 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 18th April 10am	Michael Howe (Months Mind)	Bodyke Church Online
Sunday 25th April 10am	Michael Ryan (Anniversary)	Bodyke Church Online
	Jimmy Mulcahy (10th Anniversary)	Bodyke Church Online
Sunday 2nd May 10am	Don Molloy (Anniversary)	Bodyke Church Online

Easter Reflection

How often when weary do we sigh 'the spirit is willing but the body is weak'?

How often in prayer are thoughts distracted by sounds or circumstance, or prayers diverted by trivial concerns?

Baggage carried with us rather than left at your feet.

How often do we find ourselves apologising to you, for our abbreviated prayer life?

And yet you draw us still to be in your presence, as you did the disciples at Gethsemane.

You want us to share in your life, to play our part.

You told your disciples to watch and pray so that they might not fall into temptation.

Do you ask the same of us and do we also fail you each time we whisper 'the spirit is willing but the body is weak'?

Grant us the strength, Lord, of body and of spirit, to offer you the sacrifice of our lives.

Parish/Diocesan News

It is good to see so many joining us for online Mass and thanks for all the lovely comments that are made. Replies are not made to comments or messages sent via online mass; parish and priest contact details are published elsewhere on the newsletter.

Missing: A microphone cable is missing from St Molua's church; it's return or news of its whereabouts would be appreciated!

Online Mass: is broadcast online each morning at 10am, except Saturdays. It can be accessed through the parish website or Facebook page 'Bodyke Church'. Please note that the parish doesn't respond to messages sent through the Facebook page - you can make contact with us by phone or email.

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.
- 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.
- Churches are open for private prayer - if you visit please be considerate of others and wipe seat and surfaces afterwards.

Contributions: Thank you for your contributions to our parish; they are very much appreciated in these times which are difficult for many. 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.

Community/ Local News

O'Gonnelloe Community Development Plan: A 3-Year Community Development Plan for O'Gonnelloe, in preparation over the last eighteen months, is now available in draft form. This marks the final stages in a consultative process that began in 2019 with the circulation of a questionnaire to every household. Printed versions are available in the porches at both churches for those who would like paper copies. The planning group would be delighted if people would fill in a response sheet, found at the back of the documents, and send it by email to ogonnelloecommunity@gmail.com or drop it into the Parish Office at the Community Centre marking the envelope 'Community Development Plan'. Please complete and return the response sheet on or before Friday, April 30. All responses will be reviewed and the draft plan will be adjusted where possible to reflect them. A final version of the 3-Year Community Plan will then be circulated to all.

Spring Clean: we are planning to do a Footpath Spring Clean on Saturday 24 April, from 9.30 to 12.00, as part of the National Spring-clean, promoted by An Taisce. Because of Covid government restrictions, we cannot meet as a large group (of more than 2 households), but we can work in small groups, or pairs, etc. Feel free to pick any section of the footpath anywhere between Raheen and Two Mile Gate. We will be collecting litter, tidying up briars and grass and sweeping soil off the path. Please wear a high vis vest or jacket and bring gloves, secateurs/clippers/loppers, a leaf blower if you have one, brush for sweeping. Bags for collecting litter and gloves can be collected from a box outside the National School gate on Saturday morning. Full bags of litter will be collected from the footpath at lunchtime on Saturday and taken to the Scariff recycling centre, so please leave full bags clearly visible and they will be picked up.

Thank you for taking part in the Spring Clean and for helping to keep the footpath tidy and accessible to all. You can do a section at a different time if that Saturday morning is not suitable for you.

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.

O'Gonnelloe GAA: Cúl Camp will take place this year from August 16th to August 20th. Booking will go live on the website from May 24th.

Scariff Public Library invites you to a special World Book online event on Wednesday, 21st April at 12.00 noon with local author Jim O'Brien. Jim will talk about his book 'Matters of Great Indifference: reflections on modern rural living'. This is a free event for people throughout Co Clare aged 18+. Booking is essential. In order to take part, participants will require remote access to Zoom. For more information and to book your place, please contact Scariff Library on 061 922893 during branch opening hours or email scarriff_library@clarecoco.ie

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.

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