

# O'Gonnelloe Parish

Christmas Day 25th December 2022



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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 27th December:** No Mass **Thursday 29th December:** No Mass

Saturday 31st December: 8pm St Molua's

Sunday 1st January: 11am St Mary's

#### WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS AT THIS TIME

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

Saturday 24th DecemberBridget MinogueSt Molua's 8pmSaturday 7th JanuaryMrs K McGrath & extended members of Mc Grath familySt Mary's 8pmSunday 8th JanuaryTheresa McKennaSt Molua's 11amTuesday 17th JanuaryFrank Mullin & deceased members of Mullin familySt Mary's 10am

Weekend Ministries			
Date	Reader	Eucharist Minister	Church Cleaning
2022	(please check with celebrant before Mass)		(to be cleaned week leading up to your date)
Dec 24th - St Molua's 8pm	Siobhan Kelly	Francis McKenna/Margaret Mooney	Liz Skelly, Lorraine Hassett
Dec 25th - St Mary's 11am	Mary McMahon	Anne Molloy/Margaret Lynch	Helen Reilly, Shirley McNulty
Dec 31st - St Molua's 8pm	Mary Gibbons	Siobhan Kelly	Marie McInerney, Margaret Mooney
Jan 1st - St Mary's 11am	Pat Mooney	Pat Gavin	Gerardine Sheedy, Carmel McMahon
Jan 7th - St Mary's 8pm	Francis McNulty	Elaine Mulcahy	Anne Forde, Kathleen Dinan
Jan 8th - St Molua's 11am	Anna O'Farrell	Marie McInerney	Kathleen Mooney, Phil McNeive

#### **Irish Christmas Blessing**

God grant you lightness in your step, A smile on every face you meet, Loved ones gathered at your hearth, And at your door, good friends to greet.

A holy hymn upon your lips, A window candle burning bright

And may the Good Lord bless your heart, And come to dwell here Christmas



## Parish/Diocesan News

Christmas message from Fr Dariusz -

I would like to take a moment to wish you all a very Merry Christmas. During this season, we will be celebrating Hope, Peace, Love and Joy; I pray that all four of these would fill your life in every way this

Christmas and beyond. This Christmas, as in all previous years, we celebrate "Emmanuel" (God with us). Without Christ's presence among us we would be lost. Through God's presence working within us we are being healed, transformed, reconciled and made whole.

I am so grateful for how you all have supported and helped in the areas of ministries and the countless tasks (seen and unseen) that keep our parish running so well. This is the result of hard work and dedication of many people. Thank you so much for all you do!

We give thanks to Almighty God for the blessings bestowed upon us, our families and our parish family. We welcome all those visiting and returning to share Christmas with family in O'Gonnelloe. They are signs to us of God's great and generous love for us. Christmas truly is a time to celebrate God's love as we rejoice in the greatest gift given to us, God's only Son, Jesus Christ, the Saviour of the World, born on Christmas Day! Nollaig Shona agus Athbhliain Faoi Mhaise.

**Parish Office:** is closed till Thursday 5th January at 10am, please forward any notices to office@ogonnelloeparish.ie Wishing everyone a very happy and healthy Christmas and all the very best for 2023!

Your Parish Needs you! Volunteer today! Some people have given decades of service in this way and we are now all asked to consider how we might be able to help in whatever way we can. We are particularly looking to recruit new and previous volunteers as Sacristans, Readers, Eucharistic ministers and Cleaners at this time. If you would like to volunteer or to know more please contact Joanne in Parish office or Fr Dariusz.

**Contributions:** Thanks for your continued financial support of the parish at this time, your support is greatly appreciated in these difficult times. A number of payments have been received through the diocesan online donation facility and we are very grateful. **Priests Christmas Collection:** please return as soon as possible.

**Parish 2023 Envelopes:** anyone who is new to the area and wishes to be included and receive a box of envelopes please let Fr Dariusz or any member of the Parish Council know.

Mass/Church Changes in January 2023: From 7h January the Saturday Vigil will be in St Mary's at 8pm and on 8th January Sunday morning Mass will be in St Molua's 11am.

Parish 2023 Calendars: will be available at the back of the churches from next week for anyone who would like one.

Dates for your diary: Confirmation Enrolment for Ogonnelloe N.S. Saturday 7th January 2023 in St Mary's at 8pm ~ Holy Communion Enrolment for Ogonnelloe N.S. Sunday 8th January 2023 in St Molua's at 11am ~ Confirmation 25th March 2023 in Bodyke ~ Holy Communion 13th May 2023 in St Mary's Church 11am

# Community/ Local News

Community Café: is closed till Saturday 14th January 2023. We wish everyone a very Happy Christmas and New Year.

**Bodyke Ogonnelloe Tuamgraney Youth Club** provides an opportunity for youths aged 12 to 17 to socialise in a safe space where they can prioritise how they would like to spend some time [ while supervised by Youth club leaders]. For further information please contact 087 776 7449.

**Living Well Programme:** Living Well is a Free ONLINE, 6 week group self-management programme for adults living with long term health conditions, such as asthma, COPD, diabetes, heart conditions, stroke and others to name but a few. Supports people to develop the skills and confidence to live with their health condition. There are spaces available on our January Programmes. To book your place please contact Aine (041) 6850676 / (087) 1140371 or Joanne (041) 6860710 / (087) 4308735 or www.hse.ie/livingwell

Raheen Hospital Support Group invites you to "Climb Moylussa". Meet at two mile gate at 10.30 a.m. January 14th 2023 to help provide funding for a New Mini Bus for Raheen Hospital & Day Centre. Your support will be greatly appreciated.

Raheen Day Centre welcomes new referrals at any time. If you or someone you know would like to avail of this service where you can meet people, avail of hairdressing, chiropody, music sessions, advocacy support and a hot meal – call Áine on 061-923215 for further information.

**Bereaved by Suicide:** The Christmas Season can be a difficult time for people bereaved by suicide. Clare Suicide Bereavement Support volunteers are available to help you. Support and help is only a phone call away. You could phone us at one of our numbers given below and we will take it from there. We promise complete confidentiality. 086 0565373. 087 3698315. www.claresuicidebereavementsupport.com

**Helplines:** • ALONE (for older people) 0818 222 024 • Women's Aid Helpline 1800 341900 • Pieta: 1800 247 247 or text HELP to 51444 • Clare Haven 065 6822435 • Samaritans, Ennis - 065 6829777 • St. Vincent de Paul, East Clare - 086 3921492.

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



Collections for 18th/19th December: Offertory: €469.05 Church Renovation: €72 Priests Collection: €520 Holy Souls: €10

Thank you for your continued kind generosity & support.