



O'Gonnelloe Parish

The Ascension of the Lord

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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 23rd May: 10am Mass St Mary's
Thursday 25th May: 10am Mass St Molua's, Adoration
Saturday 27th May: 8pm St Mary's Church
Sunday 28th May: 11am St Molua's Church

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 20th May	Donat & Margaret McNamara	St Mary's 8pm
Sunday 21st May	Pauline & James Kelly	St Molua's 11am
Sunday 4th June	Exam Mass	St Molua's 11am

Weekend Ministries

Date 2023	Reader (please check with celebrant before Mass)	Eucharist Minister	Church Cleaning (to be cleaned week leading up to your date)
May 20th - St Mary's May 21st - St Molua's	Francis McNulty Family Mass	Anne Molloy Elaine Mulcahy	Christine Sheedy, Mary Kirby Liz Skelly, Lorraine Hassett
May 27th - St Mary's May 28th - St Molua's	Mary McMahon Anna O'Farrell	Pat Gavin Marie McInerney	Helen Reilly, Shirley McNulty Marie/Jude McInerney, Margaret Mooney
June 3rd - St Mary's June 4th - St Molua's	Oonagh McElhinney Seamus Bane	Oonagh McElhinney Martha McNamara	Gerardine Sheedy, Carmel McMahon Kathleen Mooney, Phil McNeive

Reflection:

The Gospel always leads us to places of hope, possibility and new beginnings. It awakens us to where and what we should be grateful for. It leads us to where God is waiting and inviting us to grow in freedom, in inner peace and maturity as a disciple. What is your prayer in your heart? For grace to see having to start again as a gifted opportunity not a sign of failure; For the strength to persevere through the 'climbs' of life; For a sense of worship, and wonder and awe in my life; For the ability to welcome and accept Jesus when he approaches me; For faith to believe that Jesus is in control and all will be well; To be a witness not a demonstrator of all that Jesus teaches; For an awareness of Jesus presence in my life; For faith to believe that God's presence is constant even when I can be absent, distracted or can't perceive him.



Parish/Diocesan News

Family Mass: This Sunday, 21st May, we welcome the children who received their First Holy Communion last weekend, who will be participating in our Family Mass in a special way.

Altar Servers: it has been lovely to see altar servers return after a long break since Covid. The children who have served so far are doing a great job and we would be delighted to have more servers. Please contact the Parish Office or speak to Fr Dariusz if your child would like to serve at mass.

5th Station: Many thanks to all who contributed to the 5th Station on Good Friday. The amount collected was €320 which was sent to help the victims of the Turkish/Syria earthquake.

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.

Rosary in O'Gonnelloe: For Mary the month of May every Friday evening at 7pm at the grotto. Weather permitting. If wet will be indoors in St Molua's. All welcome.

Maternity blessing: will take place in Tulla Church on Fri 26th May at 7:30 pm. All family members welcome and a cuppa afterwards.

First Friday visits Sick or housebound parishioners who would like a First Friday visit from the priest are asked to please call the parish office on 085 877 9113.

Exam Mass: We pray for all exam students Junior and Leaving Certs from our parish. Protect them Lord from undue anxiety and stress so that they may give of their best in the weeks ahead. In each of the churches there is a booklet please include the name of the student here and they will be included in Mass on Sunday 4th June at 11am St Molua's Church.

Lectio Divina will take place Tuesdays at 8 to 9pm in the parish hall. Please bring a bible, we will be reading the coming Sunday's Gospel. Lectio Divina is a traditional monastic practice of scriptural reading, meditation & prayer which helps deepen your prayer life and personal relationship with God. We ask for a €2 donation for room hire. Contact Olivia @0876380201

Diocesan Safeguard Month: During the last year, 24 Pastoral Ministers were appointed to the Diocese of Killaloe, in Pastoral Care and Catechesis. These Pastoral Ministers have been appointed to different Pastoral Areas, working alongside priests and Pastoral care teams. All the Ministers have been Garda vetted and undertaken Safeguarding training in line with Diocesan Safeguarding Policy. Prayer, reflection and continues discernment, is a vital part of the Ministers life, ensuring that they remain steadfast and diligent as Pastoral Ministers of the Church.

Killaloe Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes: Bishop Fintan will lead the Diocesan pilgrimage to Lourdes from Shannon Airport on Tuesday 27th June, returning Sunday 2nd July. €809.00 includes flight, airport transfers, full board with three meals a day, sanctuary levy. For more information and bookings, please contact Joe Walsh Tours 01-2410800 or email info@joewalshstours.ie

Community/ Local News

Scariff library have services in place to enable and support older people in our community. You are welcome to join us every Tuesday morning from 10.30am to watch a film, read the papers, have a chat with friends, enjoy a cuppa or just relax and enjoy the space. We value your feedback so that you can make the most of your visit to the library. For further info please contact us on 061 922893 or email scariff_library@clarecoco.ie

EmployAbility Clare: If you have an illness, disability or any extra support needs and would like some help to find work, we can assist you. For further information, contact Karen on (065) 6844007 or email info@employabilityclare.ie or log on to www.employabilityclare.ie

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 please call Áine on 061-923215 for further information.

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.

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Thank you for your continued kind generosity & support.

