



## O'Gonnelloe Parish

Inis Cealtra Cluster

**25th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**24th September 2023**

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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

<b>Tuesday 26th September:</b>	10am Mass St Mary's Church
<b>Thursday 28th September:</b>	10am Mass St Molua's Church with Adoration
<b>Saturday 30th September:</b>	8pm St Molua's Church
<b>Sunday 1st October:</b>	11am St Mary'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.

<b>Saturday 14th October</b>	Celine King (First Anniversary)	<b>St Molua's 8pm</b>
<b>Sunday 15th October</b>	Gerard McMahon & Sean Gibbons	<b>St Mary's 11am</b>

### Weekend Ministries

Date 2023	Reader (please check with celebrant before Mass)	Eucharist Minister	Church Cleaning (to be cleaned week leading up to your date)
Sept 23rd - St Molua's 8pm Sept 24th - St Mary's 11am	Siobhan Kelly Francis McNulty	Siobhan Kelly Donal Molloy	Anna McElhinney Helen Reilly, Shirley McNulty
Sept 30th - St Molua's 8pm Oct 1st - St Mary's 11am	Connie McKenna Family Mass	Margaret Mooney Anne Molloy	Margaret Bane, Mary Lynch Gerardine Madden, Carmel McMahon
Oct 7th - St Molua's 8pm Oct 8th - St Mary's 11am	Anna O'Farrell Oonagh McElhinney	Martha McNamara Oonagh McElhinney	Martha McNamara/Ann Ryan Breda McNamara/Margaret Kenney

**Collections: 16th/17th September:** Offertory: €317.50 Renovation: €100

*Thank you for your continued kind generosity & support.*

**The Inis Cealtra Pastoral Area** comprises of the parishes of Bodyke & Tuamgraney, Ogonnelloe, Scariff, Feakle, Killanena & Flagmount, Mountshannon (Clonrush) & Whitegate and also provides services to Raheen Community Hospital. Current Inis Cealtra Area Weekend - **Mass Times Vigil (Saturday)** Tuamgraney 6.30pm; Mountshannon 7.00pm; Kilclaren (Feakle) 7.00pm; Flagmount 7.00pm; Ogonnelloe 8pm; Scariff 8pm. **Sunday Morning** Clonuskerr (Scariff) 9.00am; Bodyke 9.30am; Feakle 10.00am; Killanena 10.00am; Ogonnelloe 11.00am; Whitegate 11.00am; Scariff 11.00am

Think about it

"Judgments prevent us from seeing the good that lies beyond." THINK ABOUT IT!

### Parish/Diocesan News

**The Season of Creation** runs until October 4th. "The strategy of buying and selling 'carbon credits' can lead to a new form of speculation which would not help reduce the emission of polluting gases worldwide. This system seems to provide a quick and easy solution under the guise of a certain commitment to the environment, but in no way does it allow for the radical change which present circumstances require. Rather, it may simply become a ploy which permits maintaining the excessive consumption of some countries and sectors. For poor countries, the priorities must be to eliminate extreme poverty and to promote the social development of their people. At the same time, they need to acknowledge the scandalous level of consumption in some privileged sectors of their population and to combat corruption more effectively. They are likewise bound to develop less polluting forms of energy production, but to do so they require the help of countries which have experienced great growth at the cost of ongoing pollution of the planet. Taking advantage of abundant solar energy will require the establishment of mechanisms and subsidies which allow developing countries access to technology transfer, technical assistance and financial resources, but in a way which respects their concrete situations, since 'the compatibility of [infrastructures] with the context for which they have been designed is not always adequately assessed'. The costs of this would be low, compared to the risks of climate change. In any event, these are primarily ethical decisions, rooted in solidarity between all peoples".

**Family masses:** will be starting again on Sunday, 1st October at 11am in St Mary's, celebrating the Season of Creation. The next Family Masses are planned for 19th November and 10th December. Everyone is welcome! If you or any of your family members would like to take part, please let us know by sending a message to the Parish Office. This could be reading, saying a prayer, being part of the offertory procession, playing music or singing. Children and young people of all ages as well as parents and grandparents or any family member are encouraged to participate in these activities.

**First Friday visits:** We invite sick or housebound parishioners who would like to arrange a First Friday visit from the priest to please call Kieran on 087 9302214 or the parish office on 085 877 9113.

**Hospital Visits:** If anyone has family members in hospitals in the region at present and would like them to receive a visit from the priest please call Kieran on 087 9302214 or the parish office on 085 877 9113.

**A maternity blessing** will take place for expectant parents in the East Clare area in Tulla Church on Thurs 12th Oct at 7:30 pm. All parents, grandparents, godparents and family members are most welcome.

**Killaloe Diocese Autumn Pilgrimage to Lourdes** takes place from 2nd to 7th October. 780euro full board. Limited seats available. Booking to Joe Walsh Tours 89 Harcourt Street Dublin 2 D02WY88 Tel: 01-2410800 [www.joewalshstours.ie](http://www.joewalshstours.ie)

### Community/ Local News

**Ogonnelloe Exchange:** On Saturday 30 Sept we are planning to hold a biodiversity talk by Fran Giaquinto, followed by a visit to a grassy area near Gaynor's old cottage on the main road to survey the grassland and identify plant species, running from 10.00am to 12.00 noon. The talk will be about how best to manage grassland areas in public spaces and at home, in order to encourage biodiversity. Fran will explain how this works and give guidance on how we can improve biodiversity in our local area and at home. The meeting will start at 10.00am at the Community Hall and we will be finished at 12.00 noon at the grassy area.

**Interested in becoming a Samaritan volunteer?** Samaritans Ennis and Clare are currently seeking new volunteers for the Autumn training programme. Volunteers offer their time (approximately 3 to 4 hours a week) to help deliver a 24-hour emotional support service to callers from all walks of life. If you are tolerant, open-minded, and willing to help others email [ennis.branchrecruitment@samaritans.org](mailto:ennis.branchrecruitment@samaritans.org) or call 085 1763491 for further information

**Age Friendly Mornings at Scariff Library:** lots of services in place to enable and support older people in the community. All are welcome to join us every Tuesday morning from 10.30am to watch a film, play a game of cards, read the papers, have a chat with friends, enjoy a cuppa or just relax and enjoy the space. For more information please contact 061 922893.

**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.**

### Reflection:

Lord open our minds and enlarge our hearts, so that we think more like you, and act more like you.

May we treat each other in a friendly way that Christ has treated us. May we clothe ourselves in sincere compassion, kindness and patience. May our love not be mere words but something real and active.

