



O'Gonnelloe Parish

Inis Cealtra Cluster

Baptism of the Lord 7th January 2024

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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 9th January:	10am Mass St Mary's Church
Thursday 11th January:	10am Mass St Molua's Church, Adoration
Saturday 13th January:	8pm St Mary's Church
Sunday 14th January:	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 13th January	Mrs Kathleen McGrath & extending McGrath Family	St Mary's 8pm
Saturday 27th January	John Moloney Andrew, Mick & Kathy Ann McGuire	St Mary's 8pm

Weekend Ministries

Date 2023	Reader (please check with celebrant before Mass)	Eucharist Minister	Church Cleaning (to be cleaned week leading up to your date)
Jan 6th - St Mary's 8pm Jan 7th - St Molua's 11am	Francis McNulty Connie McKenna	Anne Molloy Marie McInerney	Kathleen O'Brien, Mary McKenna Martha McNamara, Ann Ryan
Jan 13th - St Mary's 8pm Jan 14th - St Molua's 11am	Mary McMahon Anna O'Farrell	Pat Gavin Siobhan Kelly	Chrissie & Anne O'Driscoll Martha McNamara & Ann Ryan
Jan 20th - St Mary's 8pm Jan 21st - St Molua's 11am	Oonagh McElhinney Family Mass	Margaret Mooney Frances McKenna	Christina Sheedy, Mary Kirby Liz Skelly, Lorraine Hassett



Collections: 16th/17th December: Offertory: €294.76 Renovation: €30 Priests Fund: €370

Collections: 24h/25th December: Offertory: €1549.70 Renovation: €467 Priests Fund: €3103

Collections: 30th/31st December: Offertory: €229.77 Priests Fund: €40

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)** Killanena 6.00pm; Tuamgraney 6.30pm; Mountshannon 7.00pm; Kilclaren (Feakle) 7.00pm; Ogonnelloe 8pm; Scariff 8pm. **Sunday Morning** Clonusker (Scariff) 9.00am; Bodyke 9.30am; Feakle 10.00am; Flagmount 10.00am; Ogonnelloe 11.00am; Whitegate 11.00am; Scariff 11.00am

Think
about it

"Remember, no matter where you go, you take yourself with you".

Parish/Diocesan News

Happy New Year to all parishioners and visitors.

May this year 2024 be a outflowing of goodness, appreciation and togetherness for all of us.

January Family mass: will be on 21st January at 11am in St Molua's. We will be inviting the families who had a child baptised during 2023 in our Parish, in recognition of baptism as the beginning of our Christian lives. All are welcome to join in this celebration.

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 Kieran.

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.

Lectio Devina runs every Tuesday evening in the parish hall, 8pm to 9pm. Call Olivia @087 6380201 for more info. All welcome.

Volunteers: we need some volunteers to be 'backup' sacristans in St Mary's Church for weekend mass. People who would be willing volunteers are asked to give their name to Joanne at the parish office.

Training of New Altar Servers: will be done in January. Children who are in 3rd class or upwards are eligible. Families could discuss in the meantime if interested in becoming part of the altar serving service.

Raheen Hospital: Masses resume to normal on Saturdays at 2.15pm and Wednesdays at 11.00am.

Community/ Local News

East Clare to raise its voice with concert in aid of victims of war in Palestine: The organisers of the 'East Clare for Peace in Palestine' concert wish to thank everyone who helped bring this hugely successful event together at short notice; Scariff GAA club for kindly hosting FOC, all who attended, those who sold tickets, those who generously donated prizes, those who manned the door and sold refreshments on the night. Most of all, we're eternally grateful to our performers, who got a late call for this 11th hour event and committed without hesitation and gave their brilliant best on what turned out to be a really special celebration of peace and Christmas. Despite being 'last minute' in timing and organising, the event surpassed all expectations, not least entertainment value. However, the €6,363 profit generated from it was more than double what we hoped for! The proceeds go to the Irish Emergency Alliance, an alliance - Action Aid, Christian Aid, Trócaire, World Vision, TearFund, and Plan International - that has established a 'Middle East Emergency Crisis' to provide immediate help to children and families affected by the ongoing violence in Gaza, West Bank, Israel, and other areas affected by conflict the ongoing horror in Gaza. On behalf of all involved, thank you all for your support!

Ogonnelloe GAA: started work on the foundations for the indoor astro development project. With the recent weather, however, these foundations are filling with water and are, thus, highly dangerous at the moment. The foundations will be open for the next week at least and some are 2m deep. It is therefore imperative, because of these open foundations, that everyone obeys the signs around the site and nobody is to go inside the erected site boundaries.

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 Louise on 061- 923215.

ACCORD: Do you need support? Individual and couple counselling available in ACCORD Ennis. Everyone welcome. Call 065 6824297 or email: accordennis1@gmail.com

Irish Red Cross have a community support vehicle available for patient transport, as mobile first aid station and other humanitarian services. Contact Irish Red Cross Clare on 086 8323456 for more information or support. clare@irishredcross.com

Clare MABS: Are you struggling to make ends meet? Are you worried about money you owe to lenders, credit cards, banks and mortgage lenders? For free, confidential and independent advice please contact MABS on 0761 072430 or email us at ennis@mabs.ie

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:

I hope a star comes out for you today; A new one that you've never seen before. I hope it's bright and bold, A prophetic star, piercing your darkness and helping you to see the things you really need to see. I hope it touches you with fire and runs along beside you all year long. This star!

Oh, how I hope it comes Leaping - Laughing - Bounding - Burning - Singing - Shining - in you life! And when the year is through I hope this star keeps shining on in you. For without a doubt you are someone who's called to be a star.