



O'Gonnelloe Parish

Inis Cealtra Pastoral Area

Second Sunday of Advent 7th December 2025



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Parish Office open from **10am - 2pm on Thursday's.**

Deadline for your notices for the newsletter is Thursday by 11am.

Weekday Masses for the week ahead

Tuesday 9th December:	10am Mass St Mary's Church
Thursday 11th December:	10am Mass St Molua's Church, Adoration
Saturday 13th December:	8pm Mass St Molua's Church
Sunday 14th December:	No Mass

WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS AT THIS TIME

Saturday 6th December	Bill McElhinney; Mai & Jackie Cosgrave	St Molua's 8pm
Saturday 13th December	Family Mass	St Molua's 8pm
Saturday 20th December	Tom O'Brien - First Anniversary	St Molua's 8pm

Weekend Ministries

Date	Reader (please check with celebrant before Mass)	Eucharist Minister	Church Cleaning (to be cleaned week leading up to your date)
Dec 6th - St Molua's 8pm St Mary's	Mary Gibbons No Mass	Martha McNamara No Mass	Marie/Jude McInerney, Margaret Mooney Kathleen O'Brien, Mary McKenna
Dec 13th - St Molua's 8pm St Mary's	Seamus Bane No Mass	Elaine Mulcahy No Mass	Anna McElhinney Christine Sheedy
Dec 20th - St Molua's 8pm St Mary's	Connie McKenna No Mass	Frances McKenna No Mass	Margaret Bane, Mary Lynch Helen Reilly, Shirley McNulty

Collections 30th November: Offertory collection: €681.55 Church renovation: €45

Priest's collection: €46.10

Thank you for your continued kind generosity & support.



**Think
about it**

*"The essential question is not how busy are you,
but what are you busy at."*

THINK ABOUT IT!

Parish/Diocesan News

Sympathies: to the Vaughan family on the death of Mary, may her gentle soul rest in peace.

Pastoral Council Meeting: will be held on Thursday 11th December at 9pm in Ogonnelloe Hall.

Parish Calendars: are available from the churches. They are free of charge, please take one for yourself and family.

Advent Family Mass will take place on Saturday, 13th December at 8pm in St Molua's Church. We invite children of all ages to take a candle as they arrive (LED, safe for all!) and process up the aisle at the beginning of Mass to place these around the altar, representing Christ's light and our hopeful preparation during Advent. There will be young people playing music to accompany our Liturgy also and we look forward to welcoming everyone who can join us in our celebration.

Ogonnelloe Parish is making its own **Family Prayer Book** and we are asking you to share your favourite prayer or prayers, for example: a prayer for a particular time of the day or season of the year; a prayer for an event or a special day in the church year; a prayer for different personal circumstances, eg feeling thankful, a prayer when someone is unwell, has died or when we or someone we know is not feeling good for some reason; a prayer to a favourite Saint. Please send your prayers to the **Parish Pastoral Council's new email address: ogonnelloecouncil@gmail.com** OR you can drop in an envelope in the collection basket at mass or leave in the Parish Office or the Sacristy of either church and it will be passed on to us. Thank you.

Community/ Local News

Community Café: is open on Saturday's from 10:30 - 1pm. All are welcome.

You are invited to a **Christmas Community event** in the Ogonnelloe Astroturf on 7th December 3 until 5. Santa will be joining us. Grandparents, neighbours, friends, all adults are welcome to join for a mince pie and a glass of mulled wine free of charge. Children's tickets are available online via ticket tailor. Check the hurling club what's app group for ticket details.

St.Caimins East Clare, SVP Annual Appeal: Help us make a difference this Christmas, by supporting the SVP East Clare Appeal. Church gate collection 13th December in Ogonnelloe. Funds raised locally are used locally. To contact SVP in confidence please call 086 392 1492 or email stcaimins.eastclare@svp.ie Via our website: <http://www.svp.ie/east-clare-appeal-25>

A big thank you to everyone who came and supported Lily & Kate's stall for St Vincent de Paul at the local craft fair held in the hall. €600 was raised and this will help make Christmas a little brighter for people in need in East Clare.

Inis Cealtra News

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. Weekend Mass Rota for the coming month in Inis Cealtra Cluster will be:

Rota for December 2025

Saturday	Tuamgraney 6:30pm; Mountshannon 7pm; Ogonnelloe (St Molua's) 8pm
Sunday	Clonusker 9am; Killanena 9:30am; Feakle 10am; Scariff 11am

The **Department of Education and Youth** has launched an important survey, inviting parents, guardians, staff, and board members of primary schools to express their views on the future of our primary schools. This is a unique opportunity for members of our school communities to **"have your say"** and help shape the direction of education for the next generation. The link to the survey is: <https://www.gov.ie/en/department-of-education/campaigns/primary-school-survey/> If you are interested in change or also very importantly if you are happy with the current patronage and Catholic ethos and would like it to continue, please ensure that voice is represented before the 16th of December.

Monday 8th December is the Feast of the Immaculate Conception and is a holyday. Mass will be celebrated at these venues at the designated times: Scariff 10am; Tuamgraney 6:30pm; Whitegate 7pm; Feakle 7:30pm.

An Advent Penitential service will be held in Scariff Church on Wednesday December 17th at 7:30pm. This is a helpful opportunity to celebrate the blessed season of Christmas, the holy time we rejoice in the sharing in Christ born into human history.

Mass Schedule for Christmas is as follows: Christmas Eve Wednesday 24th December: Bodyke 6pm; Feakle 6pm; Killanena 6:30pm; Mountshannon 7pm; Ogonnelloe - St Mary's 8pm; Scariff 8pm. **Christmas Day Thursday 25th December** - Clonusker 9am; Tuamgraney 9:30am; Flagmount 9:30am; Whitegate 11am; Ogonnelloe - St Molua's 11am; Scariff 11am.

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

Team Hope Christmas Shoebox Appeal: A huge thank you for all the amazing support. 4247 shoeboxes from Clare are heading to Albania this year for Christmas 2025. Well done to all.

All notices are as given & correct on going to print