



**Inis Cealtra Pastoral Area
O'Gonnelloe Parish
2nd Sunday of Lent
1st March 2026**



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Open from 10am - 2pm on Thursdays. Deadline for your notices for the newsletter is Thursday by 11am.

Parish Website: www.ogonnelloeparish.ie

Parish Facebook: O'Gonnelloe Parish

Weekday Masses for the week ahead

Tuesday 3rd March: 10am Mass St Mary's Church
Thursday 5th March: 10am Mass St Molua's Church, Adoration
Saturday 7th March: No Mass
Sunday 8th March: 11am Mass St Mary's Church

WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS AT THIS TIME

Sunday 1st March Jimmy Keon Anniversary **St Mary's 11am**
Sunday 8th March Pakie & Teresa McMahan, Fintan Smith - Anniversary **St Mary's 11am**

Weekend Ministries

Date	Reader (please check with celebrant before Mass)	Eucharist Minister	Church Cleaning (to be cleaned week leading up to your date)
St Molua's Mar 1st - St Mary's 11am	No Mass Matthew O'Brien	No Mass Oonagh McElhinney	Margaret Bane, Mary Lynch Anne Forde, Barbara Lynch
St Molua's Mar 8th - St Mary's 11am	No Mass Oonagh McElhinney	No Mass Anne Molloy	Liz Skelly, Lorraine Hassett Christine & Anne O'Driscoll
St Molua's Mar 15th - St Mary's 11am	No Mass Family Mass	No Mass Donal Molloy	Marie/Jude McInerney, Margaret Mooney Christine & Anne O'Driscoll

Collections 21st February: Offertory : €1725.20 Renovation : €5 Priest : €135
 Bishops Conference : €10

Thank you for your continued kind generosity & support.



Think about it

"One of the greatest gifts you can give to another person is the gift of your attention". **THINK ABOUT IT!**

Parish/Diocesan News

Sympathy: We offer our condolences to the Howe family on the death of Peggy, may her gentle soul rest in peace.

Confirmation will be held on Friday 6th March at 11am in St Molua's Church. No First Friday Mass. We wish the pupils of Ogonelloe N.S. every good wish as they grow in their faith, may they always feel the love and presence of Jesus in their lives.

Congratulations to the children of Ogonelloe N.S. on their **First Reconciliation** last Tuesday. May they always feel God's love and mercy around them.

Trócaire boxes and information leaflets are available at the back of each church. Trócaire is the church's development agency and relies on our support.

The **Annual Matt Talbot Novena** will continue on Wednesday, March 4th, at 7:00 PM in Tulla Church with Mass and Benediction. Fr. Joe Mc Grath from Longford will be the celebrant on the night.

Accord Marriage Preparation Programmes – Are you getting married in 2026? Accord Catholic Marriage Care Service provides Marriage Preparation programmes for couples choosing to get married in the Catholic Church. Make a booking today at www.accord.ie

This year Killaloe Diocese is organising the choir for the mass during the **Killaloe/Ferns pilgrimage to Knock** on Sunday 5th July 2026. We are requesting expressions of interest from parish choirs on that day. Please contact 065-6828638 before March 16th if you are interested.

Inis Cealtra News

The Inis Cealtra Pastoral Area comprises of the parishes of Bodyke & Tuamgraney, Ogonelloe, 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 March 2026

"Faith at the Crossroads": A talk presentation by Dan

Saturday	Scariff 6:30pm; Kilclaren 7pm
Sunday	Bodyke 9:30am; Flagmount 9:30am; Whitegate 10am; Scariff 11am; Ogonelloe (St Mary's) 11am

O'Connor will be held on Tuesday March 3rd at 7:30pm in Teagasc Building, Scariff. You are welcome to attend, it is an initiative of the Pastoral Area of Inis Cealtra.

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.

Community/ Local News

Café Exchange: Open Saturdays from 10am to 1pm. All are welcome.

Scariff Bay Community Radio are holding their annual Table Quiz on Friday March 6th in McNamara's, Scariff at 9pm sharp. Tables of 4 @ €20 with finger food and raffle on the night. This is always a great fun night so come along and enjoy the night while supporting your local Community Radio.

In conjunction with **Tuamgraney Harp Festival** there will be an Art Exhibition from April 16th to 19th. Artists and photographs from East Clare will be welcome. Artists may exhibit two to four pieces depending on size. If you are interested in participating please apply to tuamgraneyart@gmail.com by March 12th.

All Welcome to our **Large Multisector Work & Skills Recruitment event** on the 3rd March Location: Westpark Innovation Campus Buildings 700(AXA) Shannon Co. Clare V14 YF90. Between 10am – 1pm. For more information and a list of Employers attending see events on www.shannonchamber.ie

The **Odd Socks Cycle in aid of Downs Syndrome Clare** will take place on Sunday the 22nd March, roll out is from 9.30 from Shannon Comprehensive. There are 50km and 100km routes to choose from, cyclist will enjoy great views of Shannon estuary and many lakes. Wear fun and colourful socks to show your support and there will be a prize draw for the best dressed ankles. Link to sign up is: https://eventmaster.ie/event/qqRVfP7SQq.

An Afternoon Tea Dance will be held in Cnoc na Gaoithe Tulla on Sunday 29th March from 2pm to 4.30pm. Music by Larry McEvoy. Admission €5. Refreshments served. All welcome

In Ireland today, over 45,000 people live with epilepsy. For further information, please visit www.epilepsy.ie. **Purple Day** (or Epilepsy Awareness Day) will take place on Thursday 26th March.

All notices are as given & correct on going to print

Reflection: We too can experience rare moments of light and joy. We get glimpses of the promised land towards which we are travelling in faith. But these moments of transfiguration are given to us to strengthen us for our everyday tasks, and to enable us to face the cross that in some shape or form comes to everyone. Religion is not escapism. It is meant to help us face life with all its difficulties and challenges, to embrace the high and low moments of life, the hilltop and the pit. In between, we travel in the darkness of faith.