



Bodyke and Tuamgraney Parish News



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MASS TIMES below are not applicable at this time

Saturday Vigil	Tuamgraney	6.30pm
Sunday Morning	Bodyke	9.30am
Wednesday	Tuamgraney	10.00am
Friday	Bodyke	10.00am
Saturday	Raheen Hospital	2.15pm
Wednesday	Raheen Hospital	10.45am

6th Sunday of Easter

17th May 2020

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Public Celebration of Mass

In View of the Government Statement on COVID-19 **all** public Masses in this diocese are suspended until further notice.

Mass on this Sunday, May 17th (6th Sunday of Easter)

will be broadcast on:

- Clare FM at 9.00am
- Scariff Bay Community Radio (88.3 FM) at 11.00am

Please note that although the Parish Office is currently closed to the public, you can still get Mass Cards and Bouquets there on Thursdays between 9am and 1pm. You can also drop in your Weekly Giving Envelopes if you wish. Just ring the doorbell!

Our Bodyke & Tuamgraney Parish Child Protection Representatives can be contacted through Fr. David or the Parish Office

Due to COVID-19 the Parish Office

is closed to the public until further notice.

You can still contact the office by calling
087 1498763

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 bodykeparishnewsletter@gmail.com

**There was no
Offertory Collection
on 9th/10th May
as there was no Mass
due to COVID-19**



PARISH NOTES



Sacraments 2020

The Diocese of Killaloe are putting in place guidelines for the celebration of Holy Communion and Confirmation which had been deferred due to Covid-19. The parish will be writing to all families with information on the new dates for these celebrations. Because of HSE guidelines, attendance will be restricted in church for these events but we will all be doing our best to make these very special celebrations.

Coronavirus Helplines

- East Clare Community Response 0856 8969889
- Clare Community 1800 203600
- ALONE (for older people) 0818 222 024

Domestic Abuse helpline numbers

- Call the Gardaí 999
- WomensAid Helpline 1800 341900.
- Clare Haven 065 6822435
- or visit safeireland.ie

Clare COVID-19 Community Response Helpline can put you in touch with local volunteers on 1890 252 943 or email: covidsupport@clarecoco.ie

Re-opening of Churches

Our parish churches will re-open during the coming week for personal visits and prayer. Please observe all guidelines on social spacing and hand sanitising during your visit. We are grateful for your understanding and co-operation while the churches were closed and we look forward to being able to resume the celebration of Mass and other liturgies after July 20th.

Finances: Sincere thanks to those parishioners who have continued to make their contributions towards weekly and other collections while our churches are closed. Envelopes are being dropped at the parish office and at Fr. David's house and this is greatly appreciated. If anyone would find it more convenient to make payments by standing order the standing order forms can be found on the parish website or hard copies can be posted to anyone who phones the parish office. The parish is grateful to those already making contributions through their bank and who have continued to contribute during the close-down period. Please also check the Diocese of Killaloe website for information on making donations to the parish during these difficult times.

EAST CLARE COVID-19 COMMUNITY RESPONSE GROUP

An East Clare group has been set up to help any members of our community who find themselves needing assistance as a result of the Covid-19 virus. Our contact number is **085 865 98 89**. We are here to assist those in our community, particularly the elderly, those with a disability and those who have to or have chosen to self-isolate, to get basic supplies and medicines. All you need to do is ring/text or Whats.App **085 865 98 89** with your request. For ease of use please have your Eircode to hand.

You can tune into Masses on television and radio

Scariff Bay Community Radio broadcast Mass at 11am on Sunday mornings and you can tune into them on 88.3FM, just below the spot of RTÉ Radio 1.

Clare FM also broadcast Mass at 9am on Sunday mornings. There are many parishes that offer morning prayer and Mass online. If you have access to the internet here are some that you can find locally;

ennisparish.com,

shannonparish.ie,

facebook.com/TullaParish

other parishes can be found through churchservices.tv

Bishop Robert Barron broadcasts daily Mass on his youtube channel.

Please exercise due care when using social media and be always online aware!

The month of May is normally the **Diocesan Safeguarding Month**. However, in these exceptional circumstances, during this month it is not possible to mark it as we would normally do. We ask that people keep in their prayers those children and adults who are experiencing harm and or have been hurt by others. We ask that you look out for those who are struggling during this time, by giving them a smile, a wave or a few kind words.

If you go to our parish website you can view some messages of hope and encouragement from Bishop Fintan and Bishop Willie Walsh.

A Prayer for Healthcare Workers during this time of Covid-19

Loving God,
we place into your care
all our doctors, nurses and healthcare workers.
Give them courage of heart
and strength of mind and body.
Keep them safe from harm.
May they know our deep gratitude
for all they are doing
to heal and help those affected by
the coronavirus.
God of all consolation
may they know your protection and peace.
Bless them in these challenging days
and bless their families.
Amen.

Run for Raheen

After the first ten days of May, the Run for Raheen organised by Bodyke GAA Club has reached its goal. However, it will continue for the rest of the month, so please keep walking/running. Anyone can donate on the Go Fund Me page, or contact any club member. It is a great cause and funds will be very welcome for the Raheen Support Group. You can view all the photos on the Facebook or Twitter pages, and it is great to see so many families taking part.

The **virtual** Killaloe Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine will be on Sunday May 24th at 3pm. There will be a 5 minute video message from the diocese from 2.55pm to 3pm and the prayers throughout the Mass will be focused on the diocese. *(If you go to the Killaloe Diocese website you will see a link to the Knock Shrine webcam to watch the ceremony live).*

The annual pilgrimage for 2021, hopefully with people being present in body, mind and spirit will be on Sunday May 23rd 2021. You are warmly welcome to attend.

Clare Suicide Bereavement Support continues to offer phone and text support to people who have been bereaved by suicide in Co. Clare in these exceptional times. You are welcome to call or text 087 3698315 or 086 0565373 and speak with a volunteer. Our website is www.claresuicidebereavementsupport.com

Reflection

Learning from the sea-gulls

*It's a chilly day by the seaside,
far too windy for my comfort.
But the gulls don't seem to mind the wind.
In fact, they seem to enjoy it.
I watch them flying about:
they go with it, they go against it,
they soar into the sky, they plunge back to earth.
All the time they are using the wind,
they are availing of its power.
And I reflect on how we, the disciples of Jesus,
are so easily blown off course by the winds of adversity.
Lord, send us the Holy Spirit who will enable us
to turn the hard and easy to our advantage,
so that everything that happens to us
may bear us along the road to your kingdom.*



Newsletter Deadline: News items for inclusion in the Parish Newsletter should be with the Parish Office by **9.00am on Thursday**.
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