



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

Pentecost Sunday

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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 31st (Pentecost Sunday)
will be broadcast on:

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

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 online aware!

**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**

**or by email at
bodykeparishnewsletter@gmail.com**

**There was no
Offertory Collection
on 23rd/24th May
as there was no Mass
due to COVID-19**

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

PARISH NOTES

Our churches are open for personal visits – please keep to the spaces that have been marked out for seating and we respectfully ask that you limit the length of your visit. Thanks to those who are cleaning our churches so that they can remain open at this time.

Under current guidelines, Masses are not due to resume until July 20th and this includes open-air mass such as those in graveyards. The Irish Bishops Conference will shortly publish a framework for resuming the celebration of mass and other liturgies and this will guide us through the coming months. It will outline the procedures for the celebration of mass while observing social spacing and thereby reducing the numbers who can attend church at any one time and will also cover areas such as the distribution and reception of Holy Communion, the sign of peace, the use of Holy Water fonts. We will keep you updated with all the guidelines through the newsletter and our website.

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.

Trócaire

Trócaire are appealing to you to return your Lenten donations. Simply count or estimate what is in your box and donate in the following ways:


- Online at www.trocaire.org
- By phone: 1850 408 408 3
- By post to Trócaire, Maynooth, Co. Kildare

Alternatively, if you have a Trócaire box, you can return it to the church after the resumption of mass. Please do not leave your donation into the church at the present time as we cannot guarantee its safety.

Lourdes 2020: As there will be no Killaloe diocesan pilgrimage to Lourdes this year there is no need to return your 2020 Lourdes collection envelope. We have already received a number of Lourdes donations and these donations will be held over and added to our 2021 parish contribution to the diocesan Lourdes fund.



Please pray for the repose of the soul of Thomas Kenny, Hospital, Limerick, who was buried in St. Coolan's Cemetery recently. We extend our sincere sympathy to his sister Deirdre Kenny.

<p>We hope to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation for Bodyke & Tuamgraney NS candidates on Saturday 29th August at 11am and the Sacrament of First Holy Communion on Saturday 26th September also at 11am. Both celebrations will be in the Church of the Assumption Bodyke and will be held in line with Diocesan and HSE guidelines and will have restricted numbers attending. We are looking at ways in which they could be streamed online. Please pray for all the children involved whose celebrations have been deferred this year due to the Covid-19 crisis.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Coronavirus Helplines</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • East Clare Community Response 085 8659889 • Clare Community 1800 203600 • ALONE (for older people) 0818 222 024 <p style="text-align: center;">Domestic Abuse helpline numbers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Call the Gardaí 999 • WomensAid Helpline 1800 341900. • Clare Haven 065 6822435 • or visit safeireland.ie <p>Clare COVID-19 Community Response Helpline can put you in touch with local volunteers on 1890 252 943 or email: covidsupport@clarecoco.ie</p>
<p>Finances: Thanks to those who have made financial contributions to the parish at this time of health crisis. We appreciate that many find themselves in difficult circumstances and the parish is very grateful for your help. 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.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">CE Scheme Returns</p> <p>Since May 18th the Community Employment (CE) Scheme workers are back working outside. Even though there is no Tidy Towns Competition this year, the workers will continue to work in conjunction with the Community Development and Tidy Towns committees in both Bodyke and Tuamgraney, to collect rubbish, do weeding, painting etc. to ensure the areas are maintained for 2020.</p>
<p>Scariff Bay Community Radio is looking to expand its membership. This is open to individuals, businesses, community and sports organisations. Simply sign up by supplying your name and details, with the nominal fee of €10, to any of the volunteers, or you can email scariffbayradio.com, text or whatsapp to 085 8659889.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Wool needed</p> <p>Raheen Community Hospital is looking for wool for the many knitters who live there, as supplies are running low. Also, if there are any singers or musicians willing to perform outside the windows of the hospital to entertain the patients, please get in touch with the hospital, as it would lift everyone's spirits.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">A Coronavirus Prayer</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Loving God, Your desire is for our wholeness and well-being. We hold in tenderness and prayer the collective suffering of our world at this time. We grieve precious lives lost and vulnerable lives threatened. We ache for ourselves and our neighbours, standing before an uncertain future. We pray: may love, not fear, go viral. Inspire our leaders to discern and choose wisely, aligned with the common good. Help us to practice social distancing and reveal to us new and creative ways to come together in spirit and in solidarity. Call us to profound trust in your faithful presence, You, the God who does not abandon. <i>Sister Christine Koelhoffer, IHM</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Reflection</i></p> <p>Into the darkness of despair and fear, the tongues of fire came, bringing warmth and light, hope and joy. The flame was no flame, but the Spirit of Christ. As the bush burned in the desert, but was not consumed, so tongues of flame burned on the heads of the disciples of Christ, and they were not harmed. Fire, blazing but not consuming, a sign of the presence of the Holy God.</p> <p><i>Fire in us, calm us.</i> <i>Fire around us, enlighten us.</i> <i>Fire above us, strengthen us.</i> <i>Fire below us, encourage us.</i> <i>Fire amidst us, empower us.</i> <i>Fire given to us, protect us.</i> <i>Fire from heaven, enthuse us.</i> <i>Fire of God, unite us.</i> <i>Fire of the Spirit, purify us.</i> <i>Fire before us, inspire us.</i> <i>Fire behind us, enliven us.</i> <i>Fire set upon us, save us.</i> <i>Fire of love, bless us.</i></p> 
<p>Clare County Library is offering a book delivery service to provide books and other materials to adults cocooning. Contact Scariff Public Library on 061 922893 for more information.</p>	



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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