



# Bodyke and Tuamgraney Parish News



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**MASS TIMES below are not applicable at this time**

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

**The Most Holy Trinity**

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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, June 7th (Trinity 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](http://ennisparish.com)  
[shannonparish.ie](http://shannonparish.ie)  
[facebook.com/TullaParish](https://facebook.com/TullaParish)

other parishes can be found through [churchservices.tv](http://churchservices.tv)

Bishop Robert Barron broadcasts daily Mass on his youtube channel.

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

***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**

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

**There was no  
 Offertory Collection  
 on 30th/31st May  
 as there was no Mass  
 due to COVID-19**

## **PARISH NOTES**

### **Churches open for visits**

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.

To be in with a chance of winning a copy of the Glenstal Sunday Missal go to the Killaloe Diocese website and click on the link to the Killaloe Diocesan Quiz.

### **Confirmation and Holy Communion**

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. Please pray for all the children involved whose celebrations have been deferred this year due to the Covid-19 crisis. **To help as wide a congregation as possible to participate in the celebrations of Confirmation and Holy Communion we are trying to put in place facilities for online viewing/webcast. Any technical help would be very much appreciated. Please contact Fr David for further information.**

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 and Special Collection Envelopes. The Priest's June Collection is due this weekend, June 7th. Thank you for your continued generosity.

**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.

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.

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.

#### Prayer for a Pandemic

May we who are merely inconvenienced,  
remember those whose lives are at stake.

May we who have no risk factors  
remember those most vulnerable.

May those who have the luxury of working from home  
remember those who must choose between preserving  
their health or making their rent.

May those who have the flexibility to care for our  
children when schools close  
remember those who have no options.

May we who have to cancel a trip  
remember those who have no safe place to go.

May we who are losing our margin money  
in the tumult of the economic market  
remember those who have no margin at all.

May those who settle for quarantine at home  
remember those who have no home.

As fear grips our country,  
let us choose love during this time when we cannot  
physically wrap our arms around each other,  
let us find ways to be the loving embrace  
to God and our neighbour.

*Prayer by Cameron Wiggins Bellm*

#### ACCORD COVID-19 Couples and Relationships

**Support Line:** If you need to speak to an experienced couples and relationships counsellor during this time of unprecedented stress and pressure on family life. Contact: 01 531 3331 - 9am to 8pm, Monday to Friday.

#### Coronavirus Helplines

- East Clare Community Response 085 8659889
- 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](http://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](mailto:covidsupport@clarecoco.ie)

#### Honouring St. Anthony of Padua

St. Anthony provides spiritual focus to many Irish Catholics and is one of the most revered and popular saints in the Catholic Church. There will be an **Online Retreat** honouring St. Anthony from June 9th to the 13th. The retreat can be accessed via a link on [www.franciscansdublin.ie](http://www.franciscansdublin.ie) or on Youtube at Franciscans Dublin Adam & Eve.

*St. Anthony, powerful in word and work, pray for us!*

#### Wool needed

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.

### Reflection

#### Reflection in a well

*Once a young boy stood watching a gypsy  
as he drank from a well in the town square.*

*After drinking, the man continued  
to gaze into the well,*

*as though looking at someone.*

*He was a giant of a man but had a friendly face.*

*So the boy approached him and asked:*

*'Who lives down there?'*

*'God does,' answered the gypsy.*

*'Can I see him?'*

*'Sure you can,' said the gypsy.*

*Then taking the boy into his arms he lifted him up  
so that he could see down into the well.*

*All the boy could see, however,  
was his own reflection in the water.*

*'But that's only me,' he cried in disappointment.*

*'All I can see is me.'*

*'Ah,' replied the gypsy,*

*'now you know where God lives.*

*He lives in you.'*



**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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