

Please pick up a <b>Trócaire</b> box from the church or the parish office or make your own into which you can place your offering through the season of Lent. This year's theme is <i>'War has taken enoughplease help this Lent'</i> .	<b>Collection Envelopes</b> With the suspension of public Masses you may wish to drop your <b>collection envelopes</b> at the Tuamgraney parish office. <i>Please make sure that you drop them</i> <i>through the letter box of the inner RED door!</i> You may also contact the parish office for information on how to contribute through your bank or by using the links on the Diocese of Killaloe website. <i>See note below from Fr.</i> <i>Ger Nash.</i> "In these times of Government lockdown and restrictions many people are interested in contributing to the support of their parish or their priests. Sincere thanks to all our parishioners who have contributed during this time. It has been possible for a while to make a contribution by credit or debit card directly to <u>your parish</u> using the Diocesan Website which is <u>www.killaloediocese.ie</u> . The contribution as received by the Diocesan website will be fully paid to <u>your parish</u> . Simply go to the Diocesan Website and click on the red "Donate to your Parish" button on the top of the page. You will be invited to select your parish and the parish fund you wish to contribute to. Your support is greatly appreciated".
Remember you can play back previous Masses anytime from the Bodyke Church page - easy to access through the website.	
<b>Volunteers required:</b> While the new boxes of Collection Envelopes are ready and available in the parish office in Tuamgraney this may not suit everybody. It would be great if we had some volunteers who would be willing to deliver boxes to their neighbours or throughout their own townland. If you have time and are willing to help please drop in to the parish office during opening hours or please call Noreen on 087 1498763 to make arrangements. Thank you.	
<b>Bodyke National School</b> are now accepting enrolment applications for September 2021. If you would like an application form please contact us by email <u>bodykens@gmail.com</u> . Closing date for applications is March 5th.	
Every good wish to Peggy Tuohy who celebrates her 100th Birthday on Saturday 13th February. Peggy is a native of Feakle and now a resident in Raheen Community Hospital. We wish her health and happiness.	<b>Important</b> Please continue to observe guidelines for public health and safety. It is important to stay at home, be responsible, sanitise and wear a face mask. If you visit the church for private prayer and read the newsletter while there, please take it home with you - do not leave it in the church after use!
Bodyke GAA Lotto in now online at www.klubfunder.com/Clubs/bodykegaa/lotto There was no Jackpot winner of the February 8th draw. €25 winners were Anne Marie Hegarty, Christy Philpott, Claire Moloney, Shellie & Fiona O'Brien. The next draw is on Monday 22nd February at 9pm. The cut off time for purchasing online	<b>Tourism East Clare</b> will hold its <b>Annual General</b> <b>Meeting</b> via Zoom on Wednesday 24th February at 7:30pm. If you would like to attend, please email <u>tourismeastclare@gmail.com</u> to register. All existing and new members are welcome.
lotto tickets is 10pm on Sunday 21st February. Any lotto tickets purchased online after this cut off time will be entered into the next draw. Thanks to all who have purchased an annual lotto ticket for 2021. The annual lotto tickets are a vital source of income for the club, and your continued support ensures we can keep the club running on a day-to-day basis.	<b>Reflection</b> <b>Touching</b> Many of us are afraid to touch other people. We give a few pennies to a beggar, but make sure there is no contact between us,
<b>COVID-19 Support Line for Older People</b> ALONE manage a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to COVID-19. Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open seven days a week, 8am - 8pm, by calling 0818 222 024.	not even eye-contact. Jesus didn't stand off or keep his distance. He wasn't afraid to touch others. He touched lepers, sinners, sick people, and even the dead. Physical contact is precisely what gives people, especially sick and wounded people,
Kappy Valentine's Day to everyone this Sunday!	a sense of warmth and joy. By the very act of touching another person, we accept that person exactly as he or she is. Lord, give us a warm heart and kind hands.
Newsletter Deadline: News items for inclusion in the Parish Newsletter should be with the Parish Office by 9.00am on Thursday. Email: bodykeparishnewsletter@gmail.com or Tel: 087 - 1498763 website: www.bodyketuamgraneyparish.ie	