



# Bodyke and Tuamgraney Parish News



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 See also the website: **www.ogonnelloe parish.ie**

## MASS TIMES

Mass will be live streamed  
 from Bodyke Church at 10am  
 from **Sunday to Friday**.  
 Please check our website  
 bodyketuamgraneyparish.ie  
 for details of the broadcasts.

1st Sunday of Lent

21st February 2021

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## THIS WEEK'S MASSES & ANNIVERSARIES

### Live streamed from Church of the Assumption Bodyke

- go to our website **www.bodyketuamgraneyparish.ie**
- go to the notice **Bodyke Church - live services**
- click on the link **BodykeChurch**

Sunday	21st February	10.00am	Flan O'Brien
Monday	22nd February	10.00am	Mass
Tuesday	23rd February	10.00am	Mass
Wednesday	24th February	10.00am	Mass
Thursday	25th February	10.00am	Mass
Friday	26th February	10.00am	Mass
Sunday	28th February	10.00am	Michael Ryan, Ogonnelloe

Please note that *Anniversary Masses* can still be booked through the Parish Office on 087 1498763, but will be **online only** due to Covid-19 restrictions.

The Parish Office is located in the  
 TUAMGRANEY PARISH HOUSE

Opening hours are:

- Tuesdays 9am to 12noon
- Thursdays 9am to 1pm

**Contact number - 087 1498763**

Please call the number above with  
 newsletter items, to be issued with  
 sacramental certificates, to book  
 anniversary masses or to get Mass  
 Cards & Bouquets.

### Yellow Envelope Contributions

Week ended 14th February 2021  
 €183

*Thank you for your continued  
 kind and generous support.*

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

## Lay Ministers



Due to the latest Covid-19  
 restrictions no Lay Ministers or Altar  
 Servers are needed at present



Eucharistic Adoration takes place in  
 Tuamgraney Church on Wednesdays from  
 just after 10am. You are welcome to visit the  
 Adoration Blessed Sacrament during these hours. *Strict  
 HSE & government guidelines on hygiene and numbers  
 of people in church must be observed at all times.*

*"Dear brothers and sisters, every moment of our life is a  
 time for believing, hoping and loving. The call to  
 experience Lent as a journey of conversion, prayer and  
 sharing of our goods, helps us - as communities and as  
 individuals - to revive the faith that comes from the  
 Living Christ, the hope inspired by the breath of the  
 Holy Spirit, and the love flowing from the merciful heart  
 of the Father. May Mary, Mother of the Saviour, ever  
 faithful at the foot of the cross and in the heart of the  
 Church sustain us with her loving presence. May the  
 blessing of the risen Lord accompany all of us on our  
 journey towards the light of Easter".*

From the message of Pope Francis for Lent 2021

## PARISH NOTES

### Giving Envelopes 2021

New boxes of envelopes are being distributed at the  
 current time. If you haven't received yours please  
 contact the Parish Office or Fr. David. Thank you for  
 your continued generosity.

### Celebration of Mass

A reminder that Mass is available online at 10am each  
 morning, except Saturday, through the parish website  
 and you can watch the mass later during the day at the  
 same site. Churches are open for private prayer. If you  
 visit please be considerate of others and wipe seat and  
 surfaces afterwards. Funerals may only have 10 people  
 present. Weddings are limited to 6 guests.

The **Trócaire** Lenten campaign takes place as usual this  
 year and your response is needed more than ever. This  
 year's theme is 'War has taken enough...please help this  
 Lent'. Trócaire help families to help themselves and  
 every cent you contribute will help their work. Please  
 collect an envelope / box from any of the churches or  
 from the parish office or just make your own Lenten box  
 for daily use. More info at [www.trocaire.org](http://www.trocaire.org)

There have been a number of inquiries about dates of **sacramental celebrations**. Unfortunately we are not in a position to set any dates and it will likely be early March before we are able to do so. Please keep checking the parish website for any updates.

**Scarriff Bay Community Radio will have a series of programmes on Sunday evenings to help your Lenten Reflections.** A mixture of reflection and music, they will hopefully provide some time out for you in these days. The programmes will be broadcast at 6pm.

**Bodyke National School** are now accepting enrolment applications for September 2021. If you would like an application form please contact us by email [bodykens@gmail.com](mailto:bodykens@gmail.com). Closing date for applications is March 5th.

The Triest Community Employment Scheme (sponsored by Brothers of Charity Clare Services) are recruiting the following positions in the Clare Services: Support Workers, Cleaners, General Maintenance, Art & Craft Assistants & Sports and Recreational Supports. Please contact the local DSP Employment Services/Intreo Office to check your eligibility and to apply or contact Thomas Gilligan at 065-6823123 / 086 380 9994.

**St. Patrick's Day Virtual Event:** Clare County Council invites Clare people at home or abroad to take part, by recording and submitting a performance. Prizes to be won. For more details see [www.clarecoco.ie](http://www.clarecoco.ie)

**Important:** 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 is now online at [www.klubfunder.com/Clubs/bodykegaa/lotto](http://www.klubfunder.com/Clubs/bodykegaa/lotto) The next draw is on Monday 22nd February at 9pm. The cut off time for purchasing online 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.

#### **Covid-19 Support Line for Older People**

ALONE manage a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to Covid-19. The support line is open seven days a week, 8am - 8pm, on 0818 222 024 with professional staff available to answer queries.

#### **Collection Envelopes**

With the suspension of public Masses you may wish to drop your **collection envelopes** at the Tuamgraney parish office. **Please make sure that you drop them through the letter box of the inner RED door!** 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. **See note below from Fr. Ger Nash.**

*"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 your parish using the Diocesan Website which is [www.killaloe-diocese.ie](http://www.killaloe-diocese.ie). The contribution as received by the Diocesan website will be fully paid to your parish. 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".*

#### **Vaccines**

Scariff Medical Centre is delighted to be notified of the first delivery of Covid-19 vaccines and feel privileged to be one of the first surgeries in Ireland to receive this supply. The surgery will contact each patient in the relevant categories by letter and telephone call in relation to vaccination date and appointment. Everyone is wished well for the vaccine roll-out.

**Tourism East Clare** will hold its **Annual General Meeting** via Zoom on Wednesday 24th February at 7:30pm. If you would like to attend, please email [tourismeastclare@gmail.com](mailto:tourismeastclare@gmail.com) to register. All existing and new members are welcome.

## *Reflection*

#### **Lent: springtime of the spirit**

*Each year the trees give us a lesson in renewal.*

*First the bud, then the blossom,*

*and finally the shoot.*

*Spring dresses the trees in a new robe,*

*and makes them young again.*

*But this is possible only because in autumn*

*they let go of their old leaves,*

*and in between endured a period of nakedness.*

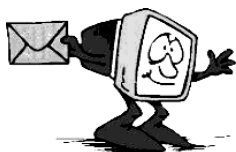
*Lent is in the springtime of the spirit.*

*Lord, help us not to be afraid to let go of old habits,*

*and to face our spiritual poverty,*

*in order that you may renew us, and so at Easter*

*we will feel young again in our discipleship.*



**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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