



Bodyke and Tuamgraney Parish News



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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.

4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

31st January 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	31st January	10.00am	Deceased members of the O'Halloran family, Bohergloss
Monday	1st February	10.00am	James & Evelyn Hogan
Tuesday	2nd February	10.00am	Presentation of the Lord
Wednesday	3rd February	10.00am	Feast of St. Blaise
Thursday	4th February	10.00am	Henry Hamilton / Brian Slattery
Friday	5th February	10.00am	Micheál O'Grady - 1st Anniversary
Sunday	7th February	10.00am	Eamonn McKenna Willie & Martha Brady, Tommy & Mary Bolton Deceased members of Brady & Bolton families

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 24th January 2021
 €251.30

*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



Catholic Schools Week ends today, January 31st, and we thank all in our Catholic School Communities for their work and dedication especially during the pandemic. We will keep you all in our prayers at Masses in the coming weeks. *'Our humanity, our community response, our faith and our dedication has served as a beacon for many during the darkness and difficulty of the last few months. Let us keep this beacon burning brightly to make sure no one is left alone as we forge a new normal in our lives'* (Deacon Brian Williams).

Celebration of Mass: Current restrictions mean that mass is available online only at 10am every day except Saturday. 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.

No **First Friday** calls will take place this week but in case of emergency or urgent calls please don't hesitate to call Fr. David on 086 3467909.



PARISH NOTES



Monday 1st February is the feast of St. Brigid and we give thanks for her life, her faith, her example to us. There are many stories about St Brigid – why not look one up online or recall your favourite story of St. Brigid, maybe making or drawing the Cross of St. Brigid to mark the day.

*Brigid of the Mantle, encompass us,
 Lady of the Lambs, protect us,
 Keeper of the Hearth, kindle us,
 Beneath your mantle, gather us,
 And restore us to your memory.
 Mothers of our mother, foremothers strong,
 Guide our hands in yours,
 Remind us how to kindle the hearth,
 To keep it bright, to preserve the flame.
 Your hands upon ours,
 Our hands within yours,
 To kindle the light, both day and night.
 The Mantle of Brigid about us,
 The Memory of Brigid within us,
 The Protection of Brigid keeping us
 From harm, from ignorance, from heartlessness.
 This day and night,
 From dawn till dark, from dark till dawn.*

The Presentation of the Lord, 2nd February, is also World Day of Consecrated Life. This feast recalls how Simeon recognised Christ as the Light to reveal God to the nations and so we light candles on this day. It has been traditional to leave candles for blessing in church and for use in church at this time of year. You are welcome to do so and they will be blessed at 10am Mass in Bodyke on Tuesday.

The Feast of St. Blaise takes place on February 3rd. He is venerated as patron of those suffering from disease of the throat and it would usually be the day on which throats are blessed. It is not possible to do so physically this year, but Fr. David will give the blessing online during Mass on Wednesday morning. Offer the prayer of blessing to others on the day:

“Through the intercession of St Blaise, bishop and martyr, may God deliver you from all ailments of the throat and from every other evil.”

Unfortunately we are as yet unable to set a date for any **sacramental celebrations** this year. Please check the website and newsletter for further information in the coming weeks.

Volunteers required

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. Any help will be greatly appreciated.



We extend our sympathy to the Slattery and O'Meara families on the death of Brian Slattery, Derrynaheila, who was laid to rest in Feakle on last Sunday. May he rest in peace.

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.

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. Closing date for applications is March 5th.

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!

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. 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”.



Bodyke GAA Lotto is now online at www.klubfunder.com/Clubs/bodykegaa/lotto

There was no Jackpot winner of the January 25th draw. €25 winners were Sally Minogue, Pat Burke, Felix Hegarty and Marie Tuohy. The next draw is on Monday 8th February at 9pm. The cut off time for purchasing online lotto tickets is 10pm on Sunday 7th February. Any lotto tickets purchased online after this cut off time will be entered into the next draw.

Reflection

Speaking with authority

Ideally words should always be preceded by deeds.

When people who have done something

begin to speak, people listen.

Their words carry enormous weight.

They have real authority.

The weakness of a lot of words arises from the fact that they are not preceded, or accompanied, or even followed by words.

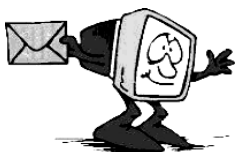
At the root of innumerable wrongs in our world is the discrepancy between word and deed.

It is the weakness of churches, parties, and individuals.

It gives people and institutions split personalities.

Lord, grant that what we have said with our lips, we may believe with our hearts,

and practise with our lives.



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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