

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.

2nd Sunday of Lent

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THIS WEEK'S MASSES & ANNIVERSARIES

<u>Live streamed</u> 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 28th February 10.00am Michael Ryan, Ogonnelloe

Monday 1st March 10.00am Mass Tuesday 2nd March 10.00am Mass Wednesday 3rd March 10.00am Mass Thursday 4th March 10.00am Mass Friday 5th March 10.00am Mass

Sunday 7th March 10.00am Pat Quinn - Month's Mind

Michael & Lena Wall

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.

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

The **Parish Office** is located in the **TUAMGRANEY PARISH HOUSE** Opening hours are:

• Thursdays 9am to 12.30pm

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 21st February 2021

€314.50

Thank you for your continued kind and generous support.

Lau Ministers



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

Eucharistic **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.

Giving Envelopes 2021

If you haven't yet received your box of envelopes, they are still available from the Parish Office and can be picked up on Thursdays between 9am and 12.30pm.

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 continue to use your Trócaire Lenten box to aid their Lenten campaign. You can also become a regular supporter online - see trocaire.org for more information.



PARISH NOTES



Update on Covid-19 Restrictions

With the news during the week regarding the extension of lockdown until after Easter please keep the following in mind:

- For public health and safety, **Mass** is online only. You can follow locally on the Bodyke parish website.
- **Funerals** are restricted to ten people or fewer and unfortunately concelebration by priests is not permitted. If you do attend a funeral outside the church, please remember to keep social distance.
- **Baptisms** are not permitted at the moment.
- Visits to church are allowed for personal and private prayer. Remember to sanitise the space before you leave. Thank you for your continued co-operation and help at this time.

We send our good wishes and prayers to all in our school communities as they re-open for some classes this coming week.

There will be no First Friday visits in March but in the case of an emergency Fr. David can be contacted on 086 3467909.

Parish Office

Please note that from March the Parish Office Tuamgraney will be open on Thursdays only from 9am to 12.30pm.

Scarriff Bay Community Radio 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.

Tuamgraney National School will commence accepting applications for admissions to Junior Infants for the 2021/2022 School Year on March 2nd 2021. Please email the school at info@tuamgraneyns.ie for an application form.

Bodyke National School are now accepting enrolment applications for September 2021. If you would like an application form please contact us bv bodykens@gmail.com. date email Closing for applications is March 5th.

Vacancies: The local CE (FÁS) scheme currently has vacancies for participants in Bodyke and Tuamgraney. If you are in receipt of a social welfare payment for at least 12 months then you may be eligible. For further information please call 085 2344463.



Radio Drama: Eoin O'Hagan and Tom Hanley will present the Inaugural Clare Drama Radio Play Festival on Scariff Community Radio. This is a collaboration between Scariff

Bay Community Radio and Clare Drama Festival. The event will commence this Saturday and Sunday night at 8pm and will run for two hours. This new and innovative festival will feature two plays per night with live adjudication by Paul Brennan, ADA. The final adjudication and awards will be on Easter Sunday night, April 4th. This is a true All-Ireland Festival with 20 drama groups entered from all four provinces.



Bodyke GAA Lotto in now online www.klubfunder.com/Clubs/bodykegaa/lotto There was no Jackpot winner of the February

22nd draw. €25 winners were Teresa Moroney, Redmond Walsh, Tom Fitzmaurice and Donal Ryan. The next draw is on Monday 8th March at 9pm. The cut off for purchasing online lotto tickets is 10pm on Sunday 7th March. Any lotto tickets purchased online after this cut off time will be entered into the next draw. Membership for the club is now also due - please contact David McNamara, Seán O'Halloran, Ray Hogan or Seán Browne in this regard. Membership can be paid into the bank account and any of the above will give you details. Further details of the membership fees due are on the Facebook and Instagram pages.

Collection Envelopes

With the suspension of public Masses you may wish to drop your collection envelopes at the Tuamgraney parish office or Fr. David's house in Bodyke. 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.killaloediocese.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".

ALONE Covid-19 Support Line for Older People is open seven days a week, 8am - 8pm, on 0818 222 024 with professional staff available to answer queries.

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!



Mountains

Jesus often went into the hills to pray.

He preached his most famous sermon from a hilltop. He was transfigured on Mount Tabor,

died on Mount Calvary,

and ascended to heaven from Mount Olivet.

It seems that he loved hills and mountains.

Why was this?

Was it because he grew up

among the hills in Galilee?

Or was it because heights enlarge our vision

and cause our spirit to soar?

Lift us up, strong Son of God,

that we may see further.

Strengthen our faith that we see beyond the horizon. And when the valley closes us in,

help us to remember the view from the hilltop.



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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