



Saints / Feast Days this week• Monday 31st:St John Bosco• Tuesday 1st Feb:St Brigid• Wednesday 2nd:Presentation of the Lord• Thursday 3rd:St Blaise St Ansgar• Saturday 5th:St Agatha	<b>Clothing Collection</b> On Friday morning 4th February, <b>Bodyke National</b> <b>School PA</b> will hold a collection of old clothes, shoes, bags, belts and other textiles (no duvets or pillows please). All donations, in tied refuse bags, can be dropped to the school on the day up to 9.30am. This is a great opportunity for you to get your spring cleaning off to an early start! The
The Diocesan Sacramental Group has organised two webinars for parents/guardians of confirmation candidates on Monday February 7th at 6.45pm and 8.15pm. The parents will be contacted via the schools with datails on how to register	Parents Association will receive a small payment for each bag donated and your support would be greatly appreciated. COVID-19 Support Line for Older People
with details on how to register. Wednesday 2nd is the Presentation of the Lord (Candlemas Day). If you would like to have candles blessed please leave them on the altar of either church, labelled with your name if they are for home use.	ALONE manage a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to COVID-19. If you or someone you know needs support please call our National Support and Referral Line on 0818 222 024
<ul> <li>Dates for the Celebration of the Sacraments 2022 are as follows:</li> <li>Confirmation - Saturday March 26th at 11.00am in Bodyke Church;</li> <li>First Reconciliation - Wednesday April 6th at 7.00pm in Tuamgraney Church;</li> <li>First Holy Communion - Saturday May 21st at</li> </ul>	from 8am to 8pm, seven days a week. ALONE operates 365 days a year so we will be there to take your call when you need us most. <i>Would you be willing to provide companionship to an older person locally? ALONE are seeking volunteers in your area. Full training and support provided. If interested please contact Karen on karen.byrne@alone.ie or on 086 0576401.</i>
11.00am in Bodyke Church. Although restrictions have been eased significantly we would still ask you to respect the following guidelines for attending Mass and other services in the parish:	and no longer needs it could you please return it to the parish office as soon as possible. Also, if you could offer the use of a pyx temporarily to someone could you please contact the office.
<ul> <li>Facemasks to be worn in church during Mass and other services.</li> <li>Please maintain adequate social distancing.</li> <li>Please sanitise your hands when entering church.</li> <li>Holy Communion should only be received in the hand.</li> <li>Please help to sanitise the church, wiping the seats after Mass or after a personal visit.</li> <li>Please take your newsletter home with you after Mass - do not leave it on your seat! Thank you for your cooperation.</li> <li>Bodyke GAA Lotto in now online at www.klubfunder.com/Clubs/bodykegaa/lotto There was no Jackpot winner of the January 24th draw. €25 winners were John &amp; Helena</li> <li>Walsh, Ger Broderick, Evelyn O'Brien and Roland Drost. The next draw is on Monday 7th February at 9pm. Please note the cut off time for purchasing online lotto tickets is 10pm on Sunday 6th February. Any lotto tickets purchased online after this cut off time will be entered into the next draw. Thank you for your continued support. Please note - Annual lotto tickets are now available from any club member at a cost of €50 with fortnightly draws.</li> </ul>	<b>Reflection</b> February 1st is <b>St. Brigid's Day</b> . The following is titled "Brigid - A Blessing".         Brigid         Light to the darkness,         Hope to the downcast,         Woman of faith and of Ireland.         As water falling from full sky         brought benediction         to the crop and creature;         As water falling from cupped hand         brought benediction         to the new born Christian.         We sprinkle water here and now in this         place made blessed by our children.         May the light of the faith always lead them;         May it shine like the pillar of fire before them,         And scatter the dark of their days,         as it mastered the shadow of yours.
The Car Boot Sale has recommenced at the East Clare Equestrian Centre Tuamgraney and takes place every Sunday from 7.30am.	Brigid Light to the darkness; Hope to the downcast; Woman of faith and of Ireland.
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