

envelope collection will be taken up at Masses

this weekend or can be dropped in to the parish office.



McElroy and family, Bodyke, on the death of her father, Philip, Rathfarnham Dublin. May they rest in peace.

Saints / Feast Days this week

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St Mel of Ardagh.
St Jerome Emiliani
St Josephine Bakhita of Sudan
Day of Prayer & Awareness
against Human Trafficking.
St Scholastica.
Our Lady of Lourdes
St Gobnait
World Day of the Sick.

Important Dates

Ash Wednesday is on March 2nd and there will be Mass and distribution of ashes at 10am in St. Joseph's Church Tuamgraney and also at 10am in St. Molua's Ogonnelloe.

On **St. Patrick's Day,** Thursday March 17th, there will be Mass in Bodyke Church at 10am and also in St Molua's Ogonnelloe at 10am.

Novena to Our Lady of Lourdes

The Killaloe Diocesan Pilgrimage Committee have organised a Novena to Our Lady of Lourdes live from the Cathedral in Ennis, starting Thursday 3rd and concluding on Friday 11th February, Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes and World Day of Prayer for the Sick. The novena can be viewed each evening at 7.30pm on www.ennisparish.com

It is hoped to have two pilgrimages to Lourdes from Shannon Airport - on 28th June and 2nd October. The pilgrimages this year will not be able to accommodate sick or assisted pilgrims given the continued presence of Covid 19. More details later.

Dates for the Celebration of the Sacraments 2022 are as follows:

- **Confirmation** Saturday March 26th at 11.00am in Bodyke Church;
- **First Reconciliation** Wednesday April 6th at 7.00pm in Tuamgraney Church;
- First Holy Communion Saturday May 21st at 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:

- Facemasks to be worn in church during Mass and other services.
- Please maintain adequate social distancing.
- Please sanitise your hands when entering church.
- Holy Communion should only be received in the hand.Please help to sanitise the church, wiping the seats after Mass or after a personal visit.

• Please take your newsletter home with you after Mass do not leave it on your seat!

Thank you for your cooperation.



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**



Bodyke GAA Lotto in now online at **www.klubfunder.com/Clubs/bodykegaa/lotto** The next draw is on Monday 7th February at 9pm. Please note the cut off time for purchasing lotto tickets is 10pm on Sunday 6th February

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Clare MABS: Are you struggling to make ends meet? Are you worried about money you owe to money lenders, credit cards, banks and mortgage lenders? For free, confidential and independent advice please contact the Clare Money Advice and Budgeting Service on 0818 072 430, or email us at ennis@mabs.ie

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. If you or someone you know needs support please call our National Support and Referral Line on 0818 222 024 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. *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.*

TDA Lotto Draw: Congratulations to Mary & Noreen Rouine, our January winners of €200. Winning bonus number was 46. The next draw will be on February 26th. Thank you for your continued support.



Let your light shine

Our deepest fear is not that we are inadequate, but that we are powerful beyond measure. It is our light, not our darkness, that most frightens us. We ask ourselves, 'Who am I to be brilliant, gorgeous, talented and fabulous?' Actually, who are you not to be? You are a child of God. Your playing small doesn't serve the world. There's nothing enlightened about shrinking so that other people won't feel insecure around you. We are born to make manifest the Glory of God that is within us. It's not just in some of us; it's in everyone. And as we let our own light shine, we unconsciously give other people permission to do the same. As we are liberated from our own fear, our presence automatically liberates others. (From the inaugural speech of Nelson Mandela)