

Saints / Feast Days this week• Monday 16th:St Brendan• Wednesday 18th:St John 1, Pope and Martyr• Friday 20th:St Bernardine of Siena• Saturday 21st:St Christopher Magallánes Mexican Martyrs.	Bodyke GAA Lotto in now online at www.klubfunder.com/Clubs/bodykegaa/lotto The next draw is on Monday 16th May at 9pm. Please note the cut off time for purchasing online lotto tickets is 10pm on Sunday 15th. Any lotto tickets purchased online after this cut off time will be entered into the next draw.
The month of May is Safeguarding Month. During our safeguarding month in the Diocese we must keep in our prayers those affected by war. Using the words of Khalil Gibran 'Safeguarding the rights of others is the most noble and beautiful end of a human being.' The parish safeguarding audits showed that children's ministry in parishes is slowly returning. We actively encourage children to be involved in the Church and have developed procedures, policies and forms to assist Parishes with this Ministry. For any further guidance or assistance with restarting children's ministry,	The Lough Derg Pilgrimage Season has re-opened with one day retreats taking place during May, August and September and three day pilgrimages taking place during June, July and August. <i>Please see posters</i> <i>at the back of the church for more details or visit the</i> <i>website www.loughderg.org</i>
Cleo and Joe will be more than happy to assist and can be contacted via the Diocesan office. The Diocese of Killaloe sees training and education as a priority. To maintain high standards and good practice it is essential that relevant Church Personnel, both paid and unpaid, receive appropriate safeguarding training. Our 2022 training plan can be found on the Diocesan website. The diocesan trainers are happy to come to parishes and undertake any necessary safeguarding training.	The <b>Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes</b> resumes again this year from 28th June to 3rd July, direct from Shannon Airport. <i>Sick</i> <i>or assisted pilgrims will not travel this year</i> . Cost $\notin$ 739 to $\notin$ 759 depending on the choice of hotel - Agena or La Solitude. To reserve your place please contact Joe Walsh Tours on 01- 2410800, email: info@joewalshtours.ie or by post to Joe Walsh Tours, 69 O'Connell Street, Dublin 1. The autumn pilgrimage will take place from 2nd to 7th October. Contact Fr. Tom Ryan Pilgrimage Director at 087 2340816 or tfruen empig@gmail.com
The current rotas for <b>Readers and Eucharistic</b> <b>Ministers</b> for Tuamgraney and Bodyke ( <i>up to July</i> <i>30th/31st</i> ) are now available in both churches and on the parish website under <b>groups</b> . <i>Please</i> <i>arrange for a substitute if you are unavailable on</i> <i>your scheduled date</i> .	2349816 or tfryan.ennis@gmail.com ACCORD are urgently seeking volunteers to be trained as Marriage Preparation Facilitators, to enthusiastically support couples as they prepare for the Sacrament of Marriage. If you feel you have good communication skills and are willing to volunteer some time to this team please email marriagepreparation@accord.ie
Tuamgraney Harp Festival and Festival Concert On this Saturday evening, the 14th, there will be an exciting Festival Concert in St. Joseph's Church at 8pm with a line up comprised of the workshop tutors, Music Generation Laois Harp Ensemble, competition winners and local talent. Concert tickets will be available at the door at €10 each and all are welcome. On Sunday the 15th there	Would you be willing to provide companionship or make calls to Older People once a week? <b>ALONE</b> are seeking volunteers in your area. Full training and support provided. If interested you can sign up at: https://alone.ie/volunteers/ For more information contact volunteer@alone.ie or call 086 1085965.
will be an <b>online harp workshop</b> with Niamh O'Brien at 2pm and Cliodhna Donnellan will host a <b>'Minding your Music'</b> in person workshop between 3-5pm. To close the festival there will be another <b>music session in Nuala's at 6pm on Sunday</b> <b>15th</b> . Full details of the festival are available on the website www.tuamgraneyharpfestival.ie email: info@tuamgraneyharpfestival.ie	Affordable Live-in Homecare provides live-in carers for the elderly in your area. If you are looking for a live- in carer for your relative, please call Eileen or Tom today on 087 991 6791 or 087 744 0729. Our website is www.alhomecare.ie
Facebook @tuamgraneyharpfestival The annual Killaloe Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine takes place on Sunday May 22nd. A bus will be organised by Brigdale Coaches 087 2661333 (Contact Cian) and Noel O'Shea 087 2550155 (Contact Noel) or contact Claire in the Killaloe Diocesan Office at 065 6828638 or visit www.knockshrine.ie	<b>Where love begins</b> It's easy to love at a distance, but not so easy to love at close quarters. It's easier to give a few pounds to relieve famine in Africa than to relieve the loneliness of someone living next door. It's easy to love people who are far away,
<b>Raheen Hospital Daycare Centre</b> is opening on May 16th. Booking and pre assessment needed on all persons attending. Limited spaces / Bus Service. Hot meals on site. Minimal cost. Retirement groups welcome. If you attended the day-centre previously your place is not guaranteed. More information or to book - 061 923215.	but not always easy to love those who are close at hand. Yet, these are the people Christ asks us to love. We must begin by loving the people near us. That is where our love must start. But, of course, it doesn't have to end there. And it shouldn't.
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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