

**Pentecost Sunday** 

# Bodyke and Tuamgraney Parish News



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## **MASS TIMES**

Saturday Vigil Tuamgraney 6.30pm **Sunday Morning** Bodyke 9.30am Wednesday Tuamgraney 10.00am 10.00am Friday Bodyke Saturday Raheen Hospital 2.15pm 10.45am Wednesday Raheen Hospital

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## THIS WEEK'S MASSES & ANNIVERSARIES

## Tuamgraney - St. Joseph's Church

Saturday 27th May 6.30pm Mass Wednesday 31st May 10.00am Mass

Saturday 3rd June 6.30pm Vincent O'Brien

**Bodyke - Church of the Assumption** 

Sunday 28th May 9.30am Jack, Michael & Catherine O'Brien

Friday 2nd June 10.00am First Friday Mass

Sunday 4th June 9.30am Mass

<u>Please note:</u> The 6.30pm Mass in Tuamgraney on Saturday June 3rd will be celebrated in the Memorial Park, weather permitting.

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

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

- Tuesdays 9am to 12.30pm
- 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 May €434.22

Thank you for your continued kind and generous support.

## -Lau Ministers-

## 3rd/4th June 2023 (Most Holy Trinity)

#### **Tuamgraney**

Reader: Damian Heaney Eucharist: Damien Nash

**Bodyke** 

Reader: Sarah Wiley Eucharist: Michael McNamara

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. If you would like to volunteer one hour of adoration a week each Wednesday please contact 087 4129805.

**Important:** If you are dropping envelopes or any correspondence into the Tuamgraney Parish Office please put them through the letter box of the inner **red door** - not the white patio door!

**St. Cronan's 10th Century Church in Tuamgraney** is open to visitors until the end of September. There is a free 6 minute audio visual presentation to view by just clicking a button inside the door. Donations towards the upkeep of the church are very much appreciated.



### PARISH NOTES





We pray for all students in our parish who will be sitting the Junior and Leaving Certificate exams in June. May the Holy Spirit inspire and guide them. We will

remember them at weekend masses on June 3rd & 4th and at all our masses for the duration of the exams. Please note that the 6.30pm mass in Tuamgraney on June 3rd will be celebrated in the Memorial Park (weather permitting) as part of the Tuamgraney Community Weekend. From the weekend of June 3rd/4th there will be booklets at the back of both churches where you can write the names of students whom you would like to be prayed for at this time and Exam Prayer Cards for students will also be available.

May is Safeguarding Month in the Diocese of Killaloe. As we start to see church activities increase, we are always looking at updating our policies, guidance and forms. We have updated all forms / templates to make them user friendly and we have introduced a Safeguarding Policy for Pilgrimages. These can be found on the safeguarding page of the Diocesan website. www.killaloediocese.ie/safeguarding

Bottles of Holy Water are available in the parish office.

Saints / Feast Days this week

Monday 29th: St Paul VI, Pope;

The Blessed Virgin Mary,

Mother of the Church

• Tuesday 30th: St Joan of Arc

Wednesday 31st: Visitation of the BVM

• Thursday 1st June: St Justin

• Friday 2nd: St Marcellinus & St Peter

Saturday 3rd: St Kevin;

St Charles Lwanga and

Ugandan Martyrs

**Tuamgraney Community Weekend - June Bank Holiday** 

Tuamgraney is where it is all happening this June Bank Holiday Weekend with the annual Community Weekend running from Friday the 2nd June to Monday 5th June. The aim of the weekend is for the Community, those in neighbouring parishes and those visiting to come together to celebrate everything that is good about Tuamgraney. We open with a **Midsummer Concert on Thursday June 1st** with local choirs and talent performing at St. Joseph's Church at 8pm and end with a Monster Raffle on Monday evening.

We are blessed with many local businesses and amenities and want to showcase them over the weekend. We have events ranging from a Biodiversity event on Friday 2nd with the National School, a Festival Walk on Saturday morning in aid of our underage Bodyke GAA teams and a Handball Tournament in the Handball Alley. In the afternoon there are demonstrations, talks and tours with local businesses. APIS Bee Supplies, McKernans, Paipéar, The Trading Post and Wildes Chocolates are all taking part. The Annual Community Mass will take place in the Memorial Park on Saturday 3rd at 6.30pm followed by a cake sale in conjunction with Tuamgraney NS. On Sunday 4th the Tuamgraney Development Association will host a Family Fun Day and Barbeque in the Memorial Park. We are bringing the award winning country singer Derek Ryan to the Barn@Nualas (with Marquee) on Friday 2nd and the great tribute band Abbaesque will take to the stage on Saturday night. The local band Naked Bare will perform on Sunday night. All of our events are only possible with the ongoing support of sponsors which is very much appreciated. Come out and enjoy all that Tuamgraney has to offer! Follow us on Facebook - tuamgraneycommunityweekend

A **Midsummer Concert**, as part of the Tuamgraney Community Weekend, will take place in St. Joseph's Church Tuamgraney on Thursday June 1st at 8pm, featuring East Clare Community Choir, Killaloe Male Voice Choir, The Gúnas, Voices of the Derg and Cathal Moloney & Friends. Tickets are €10 and are available at the door on the night or to prebook Text or WhatsApp 087 1394125. Join us for a wonderful night of music!

The Killaloe Diocesan Pilgrimage (together with Ferns) to Knock Shrine will take place on Sunday July 2nd. Bus Organisers contact details: Brigdale Coaches for Ennis, Clarecastle, Doora Barefield and Quin - contact 086-8034092 or email info@brigdalecoaches.com to book a seat (preferable). Bus will be leaving St. Joseph's Church, Ennis at approximately 9.30am. Any questions contact Claire in the Killaloe Diocesan Office on 065-6828638. Visit www.knockshrine.ie for further details



Bodyke GAA Lotto in now online at www.klubfunder.com/Clubs/bodykegaa/lotto
There was no Jackpot winner of the May 15th draw. The next draw is on Monday May 29th at

9pm. The jackpot is €10,800. Please note the cut off time for purchasing online lotto tickets is 10pm on Sunday May 28th. Any lotto tickets purchased online after this cut off time will be entered into the next draw.

The next **TDA meeting** will take place on Monday May 29th at 8pm in the Parish House Tuamgraney. <u>Please note:</u> Tuamgraney Tidy Towns village clean up takes place every Tuesday. Meet up at the Memorial Park. Please bring gloves and hi viz. All help very welcome!

Pentecost is about the renewal of the spirit of all Jesus's disciples – and that means us. As a sign of the great friendship between our Church and the Church of Ireland this Pentecost the two bishops, Bishop Fintan Monahan and Bishop Michael Burrows, have come together to give us a series of seven reflections and prayers. The reflections are all from the Franciscan Richard Rohr, whose writings speak to Christians of all churches. They are designed to help us to find our true selves and remove the masks we wear, so that we too can be better followers of Jesus and live the lives to which we are called. The reflections are on www.killaloediocese.ie

#### Helplines

- ALONE (for older people) 0818 222 024
- Women's Aid Helpline 1800 341900
- Pieta: 1800 247 247 or text HELP to 51444
- Clare Haven 065 6822435
- Samaritans Ennis 065 6829777
- St. Vincent de Paul, East Clare 086 3921492

## Reflection for Pentecost

Into the darkness of despair and fear the tongues of fire came, bringing warmth and light, hope and joy. The flame was no flame, but the Spirit of Christ. As the bush burned in the desert, but was not consumed, so tongues of flame burned on the heads of the disciples of Christ, and they were not harmed. Fire, blazing but not consuming, a sign of the presence of God. *Fire in us, calm us.* 

Fire around us, enlighten us. Fire above us, strengthen us. Fire below us, encourage us. Fire amidst us, empower us. Fire given to us, protect us. Fire from heaven, enthuse us. Fire of God, unite us. Fire of the Spirit, purify us. Fire before us, inspire us. Fire behind us, enliven us. Fire set upon us, save us. Fire of love, bless us.



Christ, in these tongues of flame may we see your Spirit, given to us.

Christ, in this fire may we hear your words of hope and joy. Christ, in this flame which burns but does not consume, may we know your presence.

Christ, in our darkness, may we know the warmth and light of your love.



**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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