



# Bodyke and Tuamgraney Parish News



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MASS TIMES		
<b>Saturday Vigil</b>	Tuamgraney	6.30pm
<b>Sunday Morning</b>	Bodyke	9.30am
<b>Wednesday</b>	Tuamgraney	10.00am
<b>Friday</b>	Bodyke	10.00am
<b>Saturday</b>	Raheen Hospital	2.15pm
<b>Wednesday</b>	Raheen Hospital	10.45am

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

15th October 2023

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## THIS WEEK'S MASSES & ANNIVERSARIES

### Tuamgraney - St. Joseph's Church

Saturday 14th October 6.30pm Canon Paddy O'Brien  
 Ettie O'Brien  
 Anthony Foley

Wednesday 18th October 10.00am Mass

Saturday 21st October 6.30pm Anna Whelan - Month's Mind

### Bodyke - Church of the Assumption

Sunday 15th October 9.30am Martin, Mary & Marty Moloney  
 Michael & Catherine Hussey

Friday 20th October 10.00am Mass

Sunday 22nd October 9.30am Ned & Nettie Doyle  
 Patrick Kelleher  
 Mena & Mary Hussey  
 Esther McGrath

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 8th October

€516.83

*Thank you for your continued  
 kind and generous support.*

*Our Bodyke & Tuamgraney Parish Child Protection Representatives  
 can be contacted through the Parish Office*

## • Lay Ministers •

**21st/22nd October 2023**  
**(29th Sunday in Ordinary Time)**

### Tuamgraney

*Reader:* Rosetta Whyte  
*Eucharist:* Liam Whyte

### Bodyke

*Reader:* Sarah Wiley  
*Eucharist:* Maureen Slattery



**Eucharistic Adoration** takes place in  
 Tuamgraney Church on Wednesdays from  
 just **after 10am Mass until 2pm**. You are  
 Adoration welcome to visit the Blessed Sacrament  
 during these hours. If you would like to volunteer some  
 of your time during those hours contact 087 4129805.



The **Mission Sunday** collection will be taken up  
 at masses next weekend - October 21st/22nd.

The **Senior's Christmas Party** will take place on  
 Sunday December 10th. Venue and time to be arranged.

*"A friend is someone who knows the song in your heart,  
 and can sing it back to you  
 when you have forgotten the words."  
 THINK ABOUT IT!*



## PARISH NOTES



### Current Inis Cealtra Area Weekend Mass Times

#### Vigil (Saturday)

Tuamgraney 6.30pm  
 Mountshannon 7pm  
 Kilclaren (Feakle) 7pm  
 Flagmount 7pm  
 Scariff 8pm  
 St Molua's Ogonnelloe 8pm

#### Sunday Morning

Clonusker (Scariff) 9am  
 Bodyke 9.30am  
 Feakle 10am  
 Killanena 10am  
 St Mary's Ogonnelloe 11am  
 Whitegate 11.00am  
 Scariff 11.00am

### Mission Sunday

Next Sunday, October 22nd, we will celebrate World  
 Mission Sunday, the Holy Father's annual appeal to  
 support overseas mission and missionaries. The theme  
 for this year's celebration of Mission Sunday is: *"Hearts  
 on Fire, Feet on the Move"* (Luke 24: 13-35).

The pandemic means that less of us can physically attend  
 Mass, meaning less offerings in the basket. The  
 implications for overseas missionaries and the  
 communities they serve over the coming months will be  
 very challenging. You can help right now. Please donate  
 €4 by texting the word 'Mission' to 50300. Alternatively  
 donate at www.missio.ie or call Missio Ireland on 01  
 497 2035. To learn more go to www.missio.ie

### Saints / Feast Days this week

- Monday 16th: St Gall; St Gerard Majella; St Margaret Mary Alcoque
- Tuesday 17th: St Ignatius of Antioch
- Wednesday 18th: St Luke, Evangelist
- Thursday 19th: St Paul of the Cross; Ss Isaac Jogues, John de Brébeuf & Companions, Martyrs.



Please pray for the happy repose of the soul of Helen O'Brien, formerly of Ballyvannon House, Tuamgraney, whose funeral took place during the week. We extend our sincere sympathy to her daughter Anita, son Colm, sister Veronica and her extended family and friends. May she rest in peace.

### Remembrance Mass

The Remembrance Mass will take place on Friday November 24th at 7.30pm in Bodyke Church. People from the parish who have died in the last twelve months will be remembered and we will also remember relatives of parishioners who have died elsewhere since last November. We would ask parishioners to inform us of close relatives who have died elsewhere in the past year.

The Priests of the diocese will be on their Annual Diocesan In-Service in Loughrea beginning on the evening of Sunday the 15th of October until the afternoon of Wednesday the 18th of October. This is a very important time for priests to be together and to engage in on-going personal and pastoral development. It is also a time for the priests of the diocese to respond to the synodal invitation of Pope Francis for priests to engage in ministry in a discerned and reflective way. It is hoped that all priests in active ministry would be completely free from pastoral engagements during this time. Should the need arise a panel of retired priests have kindly agreed to provide emergency cover during these days. In the unlikely event where this cover might not be available we are hoping, where possible, that funerals would be suspended until priests return from their in-service on Wednesday afternoon.

### Request from Fr Jackie Sharpe

Fr Jackie will be travelling to Gambia on November 19th and he is asking for donations of wrist watches to take with him to his former parishioners there. The watches should be in good working order with batteries inserted. If anyone has watches that they no longer use they can be dropped in to Noreen in the parish office. Thank you!

**Diabetes Ireland** is delighted to announce that as part of our World Diabetes Day Celebrations, we are back with the largest event for people living in Ireland our Annual Health Awareness Exhibition! The face-to-face Free Annual Health Awareness Exhibition will be held in the Limerick Strand Hotel on Sunday 5th November from 12:00pm to 4:30pm and is dedicated to people and their families living with diabetes. We will be hosting several education workshop streams for people living with Type 1 diabetes and Type 2 diabetes and parents of children living with diabetes. Join us on November 5th to Celebrate World Diabetes Month. For more information, call 01 8428118 or email [info@diabetes.ie](mailto:info@diabetes.ie)

### SuperValu Tidy Towns Competition

Congratulations to Tuamgraney and Bodyke villages on doing so well in the Tidy Towns competition this year. The results were announced at a ceremony in Croke Park last Friday. Tuamgraney's total mark increased from 347 in 2022 to 361 this year, while Bodyke increased from 289 to 300. Tuamgraney was also awarded a Bronze Medal so well done to all concerned!

### Afternoon Tea Fundraiser - Friday 20th October



Tuamgraney Harp Festival, Tuamgraney Community Weekend and Tuamgraney Development Association are holding a joint fundraising event at Nuala's Bar & Restaurant on Friday 20th October at 3pm. Music by Manus McGuire and Denise Glass. Lovely afternoon of food and music guaranteed. All welcome. No charge, donations only.

### Tractor Run

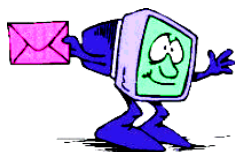
Bodyke Truck and Tractor Run will take place on this Sunday, October 15th, from the Cobbler's. Registration from 11.30am and entry fee is €20. All tractors, classic cars, trucks and motorbikes are welcome. Your support for the volunteers who are heading to South Africa in aid of Mellon Educate would be most welcome. It promises to be a great occasion.

**Team Hope Christmas Shoebox Appeal** sends thousands of gift-filled shoeboxes to children in Africa and Eastern Europe. You can help! Leaflets will be distributed shortly through local schools and will be collected from there. Leaflets are also available in Bane's Gift Shop as well as being a drop off centre for shoeboxes. Closing date for collection is Friday 10th November. Any queries to Joanne 086 8177649.

## Reflection

### God's call

God's call comes to us in many ways and at many different levels. However, his call is not so much a voice as a tug at our hearts, which we feel at quiet and reflective moments in our lives. He is calling us to a deeper and more authentic life. He is calling us into intimacy with himself. He is calling us into community with others. And at death he will call us into eternal life. To accept means to admit our need. Jesus said, *'Woe to you who are full now, for you will go hungry. But blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled.'* A sense of something missing in our lives is not a curse but a blessing. As spiritual hunger is God's way of inviting us to his banquet.



**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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