



# 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	2.00pm
<b>Wednesday</b>	Raheen Hospital	10.45am

**Baptism of the Lord**

**7th January 2024**

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## THIS WEEK'S MASSES & ANNIVERSARIES

### Tuamgraney - St. Joseph's Church

Saturday 6th January 6.30pm Mass  
 Wednesday 10th January 10.00am Mass  
 Saturday 13th January 6.30pm Alice & Jimmy Wiley  
 Babs & John Durack  
 Joe McNamara

### Bodyke - Church of the Assumption

Sunday 7th January 9.30am Mass  
 Friday 12th January 10.00am Mass  
 Sunday 14th January 9.30am Ailbhe Dolan

*"Those we love don't go away, they walk beside us every day.  
 Unseen, unheard, but always near,  
 still loved, still missed, and held so dear".*

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 31st December  
 €344.66

*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 •

**13th/14th January 2024  
 (2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time)**

### Tuamgraney

**Reader:** Karena O'Brien  
**Eucharist:** Bernie Malone

### Bodyke

**Reader:** Betty O'Halloran  
**Eucharist:** Bernie Moreau



**Eucharistic Adoration** takes place in  
 Tuamgraney Church on Wednesdays from  
 just **after 10am Mass until 2pm**. You are  
 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.

Rotas for **Readers & Eucharistic Ministers** for Bodyke  
 and Tuamgraney (*January to April*) are now available in  
 both churches and on the parish website under groups.  
 Rotas for **Tuamgraney basket collectors** are also  
 available in the church and on the website under groups.

Lectio Devina takes place every Tuesday evening in the  
 Parish Hall Ogonnelloe from 8pm to 9pm. Call Olivia at  
 087 6380201 for more information. All welcome

## PARISH NOTES



### Current Inis Cealtra Area Weekend Mass Times

#### Vigil (Saturday)

Tuamgraney 6.30pm  
 Mountshannon 7pm  
 Kilclaren (Feakle) 7pm  
 Killanena 6pm  
 Scariff 8pm  
 St Mary's Ogonnelloe 8pm

#### Sunday Morning

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

Webcam service is now operational in the parish.  
 Weekend Masses, Holy Day Masses and Funerals will  
 be broadcast. Other services may be broadcast from time  
 to time. You can access the service at:  
<https://www.churchcamlive.ie/bodyke-tuamgraney>  
 or click on the link on our parish website

**Archbishop Eugene Nugent** will be home for a  
 short visit and will celebrate Mass in St Joseph's  
 Church Tuamgraney at 10am on a day to day basis  
 from Tuesday January 9th to Wednesday 17th.

**"Remember, no matter where you go,  
 you take yourself with you".  
 THINK ABOUT IT!**

### Saints / Feast Days this week

- Tuesday 9th: Blessed Pauline Jaricot
- Saturday 13h: St Hilary of Poitiers.

### Beannacht - A Blessing for the New Year

*On the day when  
the weight deadens  
on your shoulders  
and you stumble,  
may the clay dance  
to balance you.*

*And when your eyes  
freeze behind  
the grey window  
and the ghost of loss  
gets into you,  
may a flock of colours,  
indigo, red, green  
and azure blue,  
come to awaken in you  
a meadow of delight.*

*When the canvas frays  
in the currach of thought  
and a stain of ocean  
blackens beneath you,  
may there come across the waters  
a path of yellow moonlight  
to bring you safely home.*

*May the nourishment of the earth be yours,  
may the clarity of light be yours,  
may the fluency of the ocean be yours,  
may the protection of the ancestors be yours.*

*And so may a slow  
wind work these words  
of love around you,  
an invisible cloak  
to mind your life.*

John O'Donohue



As part of their fundraising for the extension to the Club House / Community Centre Bodyke GAA Club are looking for support in their **Buy a Brick Campaign**. Purchase a Brick for €100 and your name will be included on a plaque which will be attached to the new extension which will be available for club and community events. This can also include former members or supporters that you may want to be remembered. Please contact the following for further details: Liam 087 2233674, Denise 087 9016305, Kevin 087 6542848.

A huge thank you to everyone who supported the tractor run in aid of Raheen Hospital. €8,650 has been raised so far and this would not have been possible without your support. Thanks again, Ger Walsh.

### Bodyke NS Walk

Bodyke National School Parents' Association are having a fun 5k and 10k walk on Sunday January 21st, starting from the Cobbler's Rest at 11.30am with registration from 11am. Walkers, joggers and runners are welcome. Cost is €10 for adults with children free. Children must be accompanied by an adult. All support welcome.

**TFI Local Link Bus Route 342** to Ennis has pick up points at former Niland's Shop Tuamgraney, Woollen Mills and opposite the Cobbler's Rest Bodyke. Copies of the timetable available locally.

Are you struggling to make ends meet? Are you worried about money you owe to lenders, credit cards, banks and mortgage lenders? For free, confidential and independent advice please contact the **Clare MABS** on 0761 072430 or email us at [ennis@mabs.ie](mailto:ennis@mabs.ie)

**Raheen Day Centre** welcomes new referrals at any time. If you or someone you know would like to avail of this service where you can meet people, avail of hairdressing, chiropody, music sessions, advocacy support and a hot meal please call Louise on 061-923215 for further information.



**TDA Lotto Draw:** Congratulations to our Christmas Draw winners: Karena O'Brien who won €200 in the main lotto draw with bonus number 35; Paul Kilkenny who won €100 in the lotto + 1 draw with bonus number 19 and Marie McNamara who won €50 in the lotto + 2 draw with bonus number 36. The next draw is on January 27th. Thank you for your continued support.

There will be a **Silent Retreat** preached by Fr. Kilian Byrne, Foyer of Charity, in St. Mary's Accommodation, Knock, Co. Mayo, from February 5th to 11th. Cost is €540 full board. Contact Helen 086 1678027, email: [hellywilliams@gmail.com](mailto:hellywilliams@gmail.com) [www.foyerofcharity.ie](http://www.foyerofcharity.ie)

**Guitar Class for Beginners**, with Terence O'Reilly, Retired Teacher, School of Music Ennis. In the Ralahine Room, Community Co-op, Scariff. Ten week course beginning Tuesday, January 23rd at 7.30pm. Places limited so booking is essential. Own guitar not required. Contact Terence on 087 266 0011 for further details and to book a place.

## Reflection



### Baptism

*Baptism was not over and done with  
the day we were taken to the font.*

*We are baptised by all that happens to us in life.*

*We are baptised by hardship; in its turbulent waters  
we are purified of all that is false and useless.*

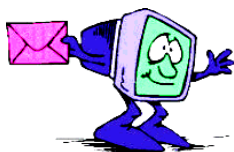
*We are baptised by suffering; in its murky waters  
we grow in humility and compassion.*

*We are baptised by joy: in its gurgling waters  
we experience the goodness of life.*

*We are baptised by love: in its singing waters  
we blossom like flowers in the sun.*

*Baptism is like the planting of a seed.*

*It will take a lifetime for this seed to grow and ripen.*



**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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