



# Bodyke and Tuamgraney Parish News



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## MASS TIMES

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| <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 |

1st Sunday of Lent

18th February 2024

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## THIS WEEK'S MASSES & ANNIVERSARIES

### Tuamgraney - St. Joseph's Church

Saturday 17th February 6.30pm Barry Walsh  
Peggy & Peadar Daly

Wednesday 21st February 10.00am Mass  
Saturday 24th February 6.30pm Flan O'Brien

### Bodyke - Church of the Assumption

Sunday 18th February 9.30am Margaret McGuinness - 1st Anniversary  
Friday 23rd February 10.00am Mass  
Sunday 25th February 9.30am Mary & James Bolton

Trócaire boxes and literature are available in both churches. The theme of the Tróaire campaign this year is "The importance of access to clean healthy water". Please take a box and drop in a little every day - it will help a lot. See also www.trocaire.org

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 11th February  
€429.36

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 •

**24th/25th February 2024  
(2nd Sunday of Lent)**

### **Tuamgraney**

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

### **Bodyke**

*Reader:* Seán O'Halloran  
*Eucharist:* Biddy Hogan



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.

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

**"It is not who we are that holds us back.  
It is who we think we are not".  
THINK ABOUT IT!**

## 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

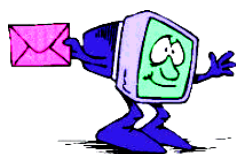
Clonusker (Scariff) 9am  
Bodyke 9.30am  
Feakle 10am  
Flagmount 10am  
St Molua's Ogonnelloe 11am  
Whitegate 11.00am  
Scariff 11.00am

A "Suggestion Box" is to be found at the back of each church in the parish. The pastoral council wish to encourage parishioners to put written suggestions as to how service in the parish could be a development towards enhancing our lives within our Christian community.

There will be a Parish Pastoral Council meeting on Tuesday February 20th at 8.30pm in the Parish House Tuamgraney.

**2023 Parish Accounts:** The 2023 accounts have been reviewed by the Parish Finance Committee and it is hoped that summaries and individual statements will be posted to donors before the end of this month. The current members of the Parish Finance Committee are Kieran Blake, John McKenna, Michael Moloney, Marion Nash, John O'Brien and Pauline O'Brien.

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| <p align="center"><b>Saints / Feast Days this week</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tuesday 20th: Ss Jacinta &amp; Francisco Marto, Fatima</li> <li>• Wednesday 21st: St Peter Damian</li> <li>• Thursday 22nd: Chair of St Peter, Apostle</li> <li>• Friday 23rd: St Polycarp.</li> </ul>  | <p><b>Tuamgraney National School now enrolling for September 2024</b><br/>Phone: 061 921550 Email: <a href="mailto:info@tuamgraneyns.ie">info@tuamgraneyns.ie</a></p> <p>Tuamgraney Community Weekend and Tuamgraney Harp Festival in conjunction with Tidy Towns are hosting a Table Quiz on Saturday February 24th in Nuala's Bar at 9pm sharp. All support will be greatly appreciated. The Harp Festival will take place from April 5th to 7th.</p>   |
| <p> We extend our sincere sympathy to Greta McGrath and family, Clogher, on the death of her sister Bridget Crowe, Corbally, Limerick and formerly of Broadford, whose funeral took place last week in O'Callaghan's Mills and Broadford. May she rest in peace.</p>  | <p><b>Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes &amp; World Day of Prayer for the Sick.</b> This Sunday we celebrate the 166th anniversary of the Blessed Virgin Mary appearing to St Bernadette at Lourdes and inviting her to bring people to Lourdes on pilgrimage. This invitation is now issued to the Diocese of Killaloe to come on pilgrimage to Lourdes from Friday 21st June to Wednesday 26th June. Cost €899pp sharing. Booking can be made with <a href="http://joewalshtours.ie">joewalshtours.ie</a> or 01 2410800. The Diocese will be able to bring 24 assisted pilgrims. For more information please contact Fr Tom Ryan Pilgrimage Director - 087 2349816 or <a href="mailto:tfryan.ennis@gmail.com">tfryan.ennis@gmail.com</a></p> |
| <p><b>Tuamgraney Development Association</b> held their AGM on Monday February 12th in the Parish House. The following officers were elected:<br/>Chairperson: Damian Heaney<br/>Vice Chair: Mary Coffey<br/>Secretary: Mary Cassidy<br/>Recording Secretary: Karena O'Brien<br/>Treasurer: Regine Roskam<br/>P.R.O.: Margaret Furlong<br/>The next meeting will be on Monday March 4th at 8pm in the Parish House Tuamgraney. All are welcome.</p>                             | <p><b>Clare Older People's Volunteer of the Year Award 2024:</b> The search is on again to recognise those who give their time, energy and skills to help others in the local community. For a nomination form please email: <a href="mailto:agefriendlyclare@clarecoco.ie">agefriendlyclare@clarecoco.ie</a> or telephone (065) 6846240 or visit <a href="http://www.clarecoco.ie/services/community/age-friendly-programme/age-friendly-county/">www.clarecoco.ie/services/community/age-friendly-programme/age-friendly-county/</a><br/>Nomination forms must be submitted by Friday 1st March.</p>  |
| <p><b>Bodyke National School is now enrolling</b> for the school year September 2024. If you wish to enrol your child please contact the school Tel: (061) 921285 or email <a href="mailto:bodykens@gmail.com">bodykens@gmail.com</a></p>   | <p><b>Bereavement Support Information Evening</b> will take place in Milford Care Centre Education Department on Tuesday 27th February from 7pm to 8.30pm. The information evening is designed to give general information on grief and bereavement to bereaved people, their family and friends. Members of the Bereavement Service will be present to provide general information on Grief and Bereavement. The evening will comprise of: Short talk by a Bereavement Counsellor, Different experiences of Grief, Services available, Question Time. The Information Evening is Free.</p>   |
| <p>The <b>Annual Matt Talbot Novena</b> will continue on Wednesday 21st February at 7pm in Tulla Church with Mass and Benediction. Fr Martin Shanahan will lead us in the service of healing with celebration of the sacrament of the sick. Attending this Novena could be your Lenten resolution.</p>  | <p align="center"><i>Reflection</i></p> <p><b>Lent: springtime of the spirit</b><br/><i>Each year the trees give us a lesson in renewal.<br/>First the bud, then the blossom,<br/>and finally the shoot.<br/>Spring dresses the trees in a new robe,<br/>and makes them young again.<br/>But this is possible only because in autumn<br/>they let go of their old leaves,<br/>and in between endured a period of nakedness.<br/>Lent is in the springtime of the spirit.<br/>Lord, help us not to be afraid to let go of old habits,<br/>and to face our spiritual poverty,<br/>in order that you may renew us, and so at Easter<br/>we will feel young again in our discipleship.</i></p>  |
| <p><b>Daily Lenten Messages:</b> Brief (less than one minute) daily multi-media spiritual reflections from Bishop Fintan are available on the various social media platforms every day for Lent, Holy Week and the Easter Octave. Subscribe (at no cost - just click on the subscribe button) to <a href="https://www.youtube.com/@BishopFintanMonahan">https://www.youtube.com/@BishopFintanMonahan</a> to keep up to date with many events around the diocese and beyond.</p> |   |
| <p><b>Sliabh Aughty Drama Group</b> will present the 3 Act play "Same Old Moon" by Geraldine Aron in Mountshannon Hall on February 23rd, 24th &amp; 25th. Doors open at 7.30pm with curtain at 8pm. They are preparing to bring this iconic play on this year's All Ireland Drama Festival circuit so your support would be very much appreciated.</p>  |   |
| <p>P.J. Murrihy, Seamus Shannon &amp; Seamus Murrihy in concert in Cnoc na Gaoithe Theatre, Tulla, on Saturday 24th February. Tickets €20. Call 087 8350996 for tickets. Great night of songs and stories assured!</p>  |   |
| <p>Day return bus to <b>Divine Mercy Conference</b>, RDS, Dublin on Saturday 24th February. Fantastic international speakers, great day of spiritual inspiration and refreshment. €70 for bus and entry ticket. Contacts: text please Karen 087-4160385 or Seamus 087-2752578 for enquiries and bookings.</p>   |   |



**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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