

Bodyke and Tuamgraney Parish News



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MASS TIMES - December 2025

SaturdayTuamgraney6.30pmWednesdayTuamgraney10.00amFridayBodyke10.00amSaturdayRaheen Hospital2.00pmWednesdayRaheen Hospital10.45am

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4th Sunday of Advent

21st December 2025

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THIS WEEK'S MASSES & ANNIVERSARIES

Tuamgraney - St. Joseph's Church

Saturday 20th December 6.30pm Christopher & Margaret McNamara

Bridie Tuohy & deceased members

of the Farrell & Tuohy families

Thursday 25th December 9.30am Christmas Day Mass

Saturday 27th December 6.30pm John Doyle - Month's Mind

Angela Gurnett
M.J. and Áine Murphy

Bodyke - Church of the Assumption

Wednesday 24th December 6.00pm Christmas Eve Vigil Mass

<u>Please note:</u> There will be <u>no</u> 10am Mass in Tuamgraney on Wednesday 24th and <u>no</u> 10am Mass in Bodyke on Friday 26th.

Our Bodyke & Tuamgraney Parish Child Protection Representatives can be contacted through 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 14th December €373.60

Thank you for your continued kind and generous support.

Lay Ministers

Christmas Eve - Bodyke at 6pm

Reader: Betty O'Halloran Eucharist: Bernie Moreau

Christmas Day - Tuamgraney at 9.30am ader: Rosetta Whyte

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The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph Tuamgraney, Saturday December 27th 6:30pm

Reader: Damian Heaney Eucharist: Helena Walsh

Eucharistic <u>Please note</u>: From January 7th 2026

Eucharistic Adoration will take place in Tuamgraney Church (in the room space near Adoration the sacristy) on Wednesdays from just <u>after 10am Mass until 12 noon</u>. 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.

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



PARISH NOTES



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Christmas Message

A very Happy Christmas to all our parishioners. A warm welcome to those who are joining us for Christmas from overseas. Christmas can be a difficult time for people who have lost someone during the year and for those who might feel a little left out. Be conscious of people living on their own and the importance of a visit at this time of year.

The **Priest's Christmas Collection** will be taken up at Masses on 24th and 25th December or can be dropped in to the parish office.

Christmas Mass Bouquets featuring images of Bodyke and Tuamgraney Churches are now available in the parish office at €3 each.

<u>Please note:</u> When purchasing your cards please have the exact amount of money with you as change is not always to hand in the office. Thank you!

"One of the tests of leadership is the ability to recognise a problem before it becomes an emergency". THINK ABOUT IT!

Inis Cealtra Pastoral Area News

The Inis Cealtra Pastoral Area comprises of the parishes of Bodyke & Tuamgraney, Ogonnelloe, Scariff, Feakle, Killanena & Flagmount, Mountshannon (Clonrush) & Whitegate and also provides services to Raheen Community Hospital.

Inis Cealtra Area Weekend Mass Times December 2025

Vigil (Saturday)Sunday MorningTuamgraney 6.30pmClonusker (Scariff) 9amMountshannon 7pmKillanena 9.30amSt Molua's Ogonnelloe 8pmFeakle 10am

Inis Cealtra Area Weekend Mass Times
January 2026

Vigil (Saturday) Scariff 6.30pm Kilclaren 7pm Sunday Morning
Bodyke 9.30am
Flagmount 9.30am
Scariff 11am
St Mary's Ogonnelloe 11am
Whitegate 10am

Scariff 11am

Mass Schedule for Christmas is as follows: Christmas Eve

Bodyke at 6pm; Feakle at 6pm; Killanena at 6.30pm; Mountshannon at 7pm; Ogonnelloe (St Mary's) at 8pm; Scariff at 8pm.

Christmas Day

Clonusker at 9am; Tuamgraney at 9.30am; Flagmount at 9.30am; Kilclaren at 10am; Whitegate at 11am; Scariff at 11am;

Ogonnelloe (St Molua's) at 11am.

There are still a number of **2026 boxes** left in Tuamgraney Church but these will be moved to Bodyke for the month of January. If you have difficulty finding your box or cannot make it to church please call Noreen and we will arrange to deliver your box to you. When you are collecting your box please look out for boxes for your neighbours or anyone that you meet regularly.

A sincere thank you to everyone who contributed to the **St. Vincent de Paul** collection at Mass last weekend. The total raised in the parish was €323. All monies raised locally will be used locally.

Bodyke Community Together and Bodyke GAA and Camogie Clubs are holding an event on New Year's Eve in the Cobbler's Rest. Live music by Thirsty Crows with finger food and a raffle. All funds raised will go into improvements in the GAA Community Hall.

Bodyke National School would like to thank everyone who supported our Christmas Show this year. Our fundraiser for the Laura Lynn foundation raised €262.50. We would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a very happy and peaceful Christmas. From all the staff and pupils at Bodyke NS.

Saints / Feast Days this week

Tuesday 23rd: St John of Kanty
Thursday 25th: Christmas Day
Friday 26th: St Stephen's Day

• Saturday 27th: St John, Apostle & Evangelist.



If you're stuck for Christmas present ideas, our Bodyke GAA Annual Lotto tickets are now on sale. You can sign up for just €50 and get entry to 26 draws starting this February. If the current

jackpot isn't won by February, €7,000 of it will go back to you, the lotto members, in 2026 through more lucky dip prizes. So more chances to win!

- ♦ €1,000 special draw on 2nd February;
- 24 lucky dip prizes of €250 across the year;
- Match 3 counties to win/share €100;
- ◆ Three €30 quick-pick prizes every two weeks if the jackpot isn't won.

You can get your ticket from your usual seller, or contact: Denise 087 901 6305, Caimin 087 236 5414, Sinead 086 385 9247 or any committee member. Alternatively, you can sign up online at https://hub.klubfunder.com/BodykeGAA/lotto/home

A huge thank you for your support for this vital fundraiser for our club.



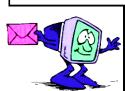
Proceeds in aid of Tuamgraney Parish House renovation fund



Reflection

A Christmas Star

The stars above are shining bright on snowclad hills this Christmas night. O'er glens and vales the angels sing, A song of praise, O Lord our King. Long, long ago, in distant lands, A star shone bright o'er desert sands, Ere the break of dawn on Christmas morn' In a stable bare a child is born. That guiding star in its heavenly dome, A leading light to guide us home. Leading us on life's lone pathway, To eternal bliss at the close of day. (Patrick J. Guilmartin)



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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