



Bodyke and Tuamgraney Parish News



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MASS TIMES - March 2026

Sunday	Bodyke	9.30am
Wednesday	Tuamgraney	10.00am
Friday	Bodyke	10.00am
Saturday	Raheen Hospital	2.00pm
Wednesday	Raheen Hospital	10.45am

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3rd Sunday of Lent

8th March 2026

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THIS WEEK'S MASSES & ANNIVERSARIES

Bodyke - Church of the Assumption

Sunday 8th March 9.30am Mary Hughes (née McKenna)
 Tim & Anne McGrath
 John Martin & Alice O'Brien
 Friday 13th March 10.00am Mary Ann McNamara
 Sunday 15th March 9.30am Michael & Lena Wall

Tuamgraney - St. Joseph's Church

Wednesday 11th March 10.00am Bridie McCarthy and Willie Brady



*"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 1st March

€737.40

*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 •

**Weekend of the 4th Sunday of Lent
 Bodyke, Sunday March 15th at 9.30am**

Reader: Sarah Wiley
Eucharist: Michael McNamara

Eucharistic **Please note:** From January 7th 2026
 Eucharistic Adoration will take place in
 Tuamgraney Church (in the room space near
 Adoration the sacristy) on Wednesdays from just **after**
10am Mass until 12 noon. You are welcome to visit the
 Blessed Sacrament during these hours.

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

*A reminder to parishioners who have not yet taken their
 boxes of Giving Envelopes that they will still be
 available in both churches for a short time!*

*"It takes less time to do a thing right
 than to explain why you did it wrong".
 THINK ABOUT IT!*



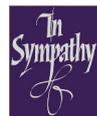
PARISH NOTES



Saints / Feast Days this week

- Monday 9th: St Frances of Rome
- Tuesday 10th: St John Ogilvie
- Wednesday 11th: St Aengus.

The celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation for
 children receiving the sacrament for the first time will be
 in Tuamgraney Church on Tuesday March 10th at
 7.30pm. This is a special occasion for the children
 involved and their families.



We extend our sympathy to Susan Powell and
 family, Boherglass, on the death of her husband
 Gerry, whose funeral took place during the
 week. Please also pray for the repose of the soul
 of Mary Quigley (née Tuohy), whose burial took place in
 St. Coolan's on Thursday. We extend our sympathy to
 her daughter Trudy, Riverview, and all Quigley and
 Tuohy family members. May they rest in peace.

**Would you like to loan some flowering plants to
 Tuamgraney Church for Easter?** If so, it would be
 great if you could leave the flowers in the church by
 Wednesday April 1st. You can take your flowers back
 after Easter. Your help would be greatly appreciated.

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

March 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

Inis Cealtra Area Weekend Mass Times

April 2026

Vigil (Saturday)

Tuamgraney 6.30pm
Mountshannon 7pm
St Molua's Ogonnelloe 8pm

Sunday Morning

Clonusker (Scariff) 9am
Killanena 9.30am
Feakle 10am
Scariff 11am

Killanena Tractor Run on Sunday April 12th in aid of Raheen Community Nursing and Palliative Care Unit. Your support will be appreciated. Further details to follow.

Invitation to attend Tuamgraney Development Association (TDA) AGM on Monday March 9th at 7.30pm. *"We are very grateful to everyone who attended our open evening about the future of the village on November 21st 2025. We are now getting ready for our yearly AGM and we need your help. If you care about our village and are willing to help in anyway to keep Tuamgraney as beautiful as it is, we need you to come and support us on the evening of March 9th at 7.30pm in the Bodyke GAA Hall (the "Evicted"). On the night we will of course elect new officers but we will mainly spread out the work to be carried out in the coming months. The TDA as it is now doesn't have the energy or the man power to do all the tasks which need to be completed in the near future. Please spread the word, bring your teenage children, neighbours, friends. Many hands make light work. Thank you and see you there".* **The TDA committee.**

An Afternoon Tea Dance will be held in Cnoc na Gaoithe Tulla on Sunday 29th March from 2pm to 4.30pm. Music by Larry McEvoy. Admission €5. Refreshments served. All welcome.

A tractor run will take place on Sunday 29th March from the Mills Tavern, O'Callaghan's Mills, with registration at 12noon and the run departing at 1pm. All vehicles welcome and charge is €20 per vehicle with all proceeds going to Headway Ireland, supporting people affected by brain injury. A raffle will be held on the day and there will also be music and refreshments provided and everyone is welcome. All support greatly appreciated.



Bodyke GAA Lotto is now online at www.klubfunder.com/Clubs/bodykegaa/lotto

There was no Jackpot winner of the March 2nd draw. €250 bonus draw winner: Indie Molloy. Match 3 counties: €40 each to Declan Higgins, Emma Daly, Patrick Minogue, Niall O'Brien. €30 Lucky Dip each to John McNamara, Aisling Fitzgerald, Jason McCarthy. Next draw will be on March 16th with a jackpot of €10,200 and more prizes. Online tickets at https://www.klubfunder.com/Clubs/bodyke_gaa/lotto. or at The Cobbler's Rest, Nuala's and Brian Boru Plaza.



TDA Lotto Draw: Congratulations to our February winners: Brid Kelly in the Main lotto draw with number 20; Brian & Lily Philbin in the Lotto+1 draw with number 29; and Bridie Bleach in the Lotto+2 draw with number 1. The next draw will be on March 28th. Thank you for your continued support.

In conjunction with **Tuamgraney Harp Festival** there will be an Art Exhibition from April 16th to 19th. Artists and photographs from East Clare will be welcome. Artists may exhibit two to four pieces depending on size. If you are interested in participating please apply to tuamgraneyart@gmail.com by March 12th.

The Annual Matt Talbot Novena will continue on Wednesday March 11th at 7pm in Tulla Church with Mass and Benediction. Bishop Ger Nash will be the celebrant on the night. Tulla Native, Bishop Nash was appointed by Pope Francis to be Apostolic Administrator of the Diocese of Ossory along with his current responsibility as Bishop of Ferns. During the Mass, we will remember in a special way our Faithful Departed, praying particularly for all the founding members of the Matt Talbot Novena. You are warmly invited to join us on this pilgrimage through Lent. Attending the Novena could be a meaningful Lenten resolution.

Reflection

The further thirst

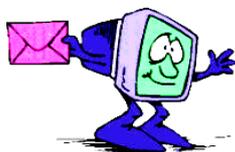
*There is a thirst in every human heart.
Each of us is like that lonely Samaritan woman.*

*We are thirsting for something,
something that will satisfy all our longings.
But often we search in the wrong places.*

We draw water from many wells:

*the water of praise to quench our thirst for self-esteem;
the water of success to quench our thirst for importance;
the water of pleasure to quench our thirst for joy . . .
But we still get thirsty.*

*Only God can give us what we are looking for.
He alone can cause a spring to well up inside us.
The water from this spring will sustain us
in our journey to the Promised Land of eternal life.*



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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