



St. Patrick's Parish, Doon-1st October 2017

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Dear Parishioner, *Day for Life* is the day in the Church's year dedicated to raising awareness about the value and value of human life at every stage and in every condition. The Church teaches that life is to be nurtured from conception to natural death. *Day for Life* is celebrated today **Sunday 1st October**. We are all aware that there is currently a campaign to remove the pro-life article from the Constitution with the Repeal the 8th appeal. Today is an opportunity for us to reflect on the meaning of life and the value we place on every life from conception to natural death. Prayer to Mary, Mother of the Life Within: O Mary, Mother of the Life Within, all life we entrust to you; The life of every expectant mother and the child within her womb: The life of every human body, the life of every human soul; The life of every newborn child and the life of all grown old. You held the Lord to your own heart and drew Him so close in. So draw us now in all our needs, O Mother of the Life Within. *Amen*.

Offertory Collection: last Sunday's collection was €910-many thanks for your generosity, it's very much appreciated.

Readers & Eucharistic Ministers: for 7th/8th October:

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6:30pm Freda Shanahan	Joan Hogan/Mary Hayes
9:30am Orla Treacy	John Hayes/Bridget Duggan
11am Anita Sweeney	Nora Treacy/Anita Sweeney

Anniversaries: 30 th Sept/1 st Oct:	7 th /8 th Oct:
6:30pm Mai, Dan, Erica, Francis & baby Jim Beary	William Hewitt, Carnahalla.
9:30am	Nellie Slattery, Cooga.
	Catherine Ryan (Frank), Gurtavalla.
11am	Kathleen Hayes, Main Street.

Please Note: While Fr Jimmy is away Fr Dick Browne Cappamore will cover emergency calls. His number is 061 381288. Masses for the coming week will be **Wednesday Morning Only @ 9.30am**. Usual Mass times at weekends.

Baptism: We welcome to our Christian community Pippa Casey who was baptised on Saturday 30th September. Congratulations to her parents David & Karren and the extended family.

Obituaries: Gerard Shanahan, Gortnagarde, who was laid to rest in Doon on Wed. 27th Sept. May he rest in peace. Sympathy to the bereaved.

First Friday: in Oct. is Friday next 6th Oct. Mass & Devotions on Fri. evening @ 7:30pm.

Wedding: Congratulations to Sarah Birrane, Carrigbeg who married Gearoid Maher, Cappamore - last weekend in Bansha Church. We pray God's blessings on their future lives together as husband and wife.

Eucharistic Adoration: Every Wednesday from 10am to 10pm. Please take a leaflet and commit some time. If you cannot full-fill your allotted time for some reason subs are available to take your place. Please contact any member of the adoration group for more information.

Amoris: Lets talk family! Lets be family! : You are cordially invited to an exciting and interactive journey of reflection on love, marriage and the family which will be run locally in every diocese in Ireland from September 2017 and is also available on line. Visit www.worldmeeting2018.ie/amoris.

Our Lady of Fatima Centenary Celebrations: 13th May 1917- 13th May 2017: To celebrate the centenary the Holy Rosary will be recited in the Church on the 13th day of each month from May until October at 6pm The Pilgrim statue of Our Lady of Fatima is available to visit your home for these few months. If you would like to host the statue in your home for a week please put your name address and contact details on the sheet as you leave the church.

Laudato Si Care for our common home: the comprehensive document on the environment by Pope Francis. You are invited to the 2 remaining workshops in Cappawhite Community Centre October 5th & 12th from 7.30 to 9.30pm. Inspiring speakers and all are welcome. See poster on Church Notice Board. If you intend to participate please forward your contact details email mobile to Fr Martin Hayes on 089 9624807 or email pastoral.office@cashel-emly.ie

East Branch of the Irish Red Cross: will hold a Church Gate Collection after all Masses next weekend 7th & 8th Oct. Your support would be much appreciated.

Limerick's Fittest Superstars: in aid of Pallasgreen Children's Playground will take place in the South Court Hotel Sat. 14th Oct. Celebrity stars include, Aidan O'Mahony, Davy Fitzgerald, Aislinn Desmond, Aislinn Connolly, Joe O'Connor, & John Kiely. Local teams Cappamore Fire Brigade, St. Ailbes Ladies Football Club, A/S Fitness, Knockane GAA, Piers Motors Tipperary, Pallasgreen GAA and the D'unbelievables. Tickets are now on sale from members of Pallasgreen/Templebraden Community Council, Regan's Centra or Susie O'Kelly 087 6797811, Dara Fraher 086 8147485, or Ger O'Connell 086 2148675. Adults €20 & Children U12 €10.

Doon Community Council: Will host an information meeting on setting up a Youth Club in the parish on Tue. 3rd Oct. at 8pm in the Community Centre. Representatives from Limerick Youth Service will be present. Any adult volunteers and parents along with their children from 5th class upwards are invited to attend. **Scrap metal** collection is on Sat. 7th Oct. Drop off items at the Community Centre on that morning. If you require collection of larger items contact Tim O'Brien (086) 0748022, Denis Duggan (086) 8652424 or Tom Hayes (087) 6853910 before 5th Oct. **Men's Shed:** A meeting will be held on Mon. 9th Oct. at 8.30pm in the Community Centre regarding setting up the Men's Shed in the parish. Anyone interested please attend.

Social Dancing Classes: every Wed. night in Doon Community Centre @ 8:30pm, all are welcome.

Vintage & Classic Show: The parents, children and staff of Sunflowers Community Preschool wish to thank the organisers of the Show for allowing us to run the children's Bouncy Castles and Face Painting Area. Proceeds amounted to €550 for which we are extremely grateful and will be used to help with the cost of our covered play area/garden which we are developing at back of school.

Dún Bleisce Tidy Towns: are pleased to announce that we improved by 6 marks in this year's Tidy Towns Competition, we are now at 295 points and our aim is to reach 300 next year. Thanks to everyone for their continued support, we would very much welcome new members to join us.

Doon GAA: Lotto No's drawn 13-14-16-17, no winner. Next week's jackpot is €4,400. **Fixtures & Results:** will be sent out by text for all fixtures each week, text your name to (087) 7818652 if you would like to receive same. Doon GAA will hold a cake sale on the weekend of Sat. 28th Oct. This is in aid of upgrading the defibrillator equipment in the GAA Grounds. Please support as its for a fantastic cause. For more information contact Mary O'Brien on (087) 0616661.