



St. Patrick's Parish, Doon- 1st September 2019

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Dear Parishioner,

In today's Gospel, Jesus uses the image of a great banquet to explain God's vision for our world. He speaks of a place where those who consider themselves entitled to the highest seats at the table take the low seats. He urges us to invite the poor, the lame and the blind to this celebration. Jesus encourages us to turn the world upside down in a reversal, an upheaval, where the preferred option is for the poor and those considered least in society. Today is an important day, as we begin the Season of Creation (from 1 September until the Feast of St Francis on 4 October). Pope Francis asks all Christians to embrace this season in prayer, in living more sustainably and in raising our voices in the public sphere. We are invited to think more deeply about what is happening at present to the Earth, the environmental destruction which now threatens our world, our common home. The theme this year is 'The Web of Life.' The most vulnerable among us are suffering most deeply as this web of life begins to unravel. Our faith calls us to respond to this crisis with urgency. Let us hear the Gospel message today, where we are called to consider those on the margins, including those most at risk from climate change, and let us commit to working towards a world where all are seated at the banquet.

Readers & Eucharistic Ministers: 7th & 8th Sept:

Readers:

6:30pm Brian McMahan
9:30am Orla Treacy
11am John O'Brien

Eucharistic Ministers:

Paud Sweeney/Mary Ryan
Catherine Crowe/Mary MacLeod
Marian Murphy/Noreen O'Dwyer

Anniversaries: 7th & 8th Sept:

6:30pm Mary Burke Anniversary
Martin Ryan, Togher Road - Months Mind
9:30am For the people of the parish
11am Paddy, John, Timmy, Miley & Annie
Shanahan
William, Josephine & Margaret Lonergan & their daughter Bridie, Lacka

14th & 15th Sept:

Celia & Leo McMahan Foilaclera

For the people of the parish
Jim Barrett Cliggen

MASS CARDS: available in the Sacristy.

ADORATION GROUP: People needed to fill in the following times please. Wednesday 1-2pm. If you can help please contact John 086 8586304, Mary 087 1767465, or Marcia 086 4038420

DOON GAA LOTTO: No's drawn 1-12-24-25. No Winner. Next week's draw will take place in GD's Bar with a jackpot €2,800.

DOON AND DISTRICT MEN'S SHED: continues every Monday night @ 8pm in the Convent

DOON STUDY HUB: opening Tuesday the 24th September from 4pm to 8pm. Pre-booking advised as places are limited. Please see our Facebook page for further details.

LCFE CAPPAMORE CAMPUS: now enrolling for full & part-time courses starting in Sept. Apply online at www.lcfe.ie, contact the College at 061 381272 or call into the Campus for further details.

DOON YOUTH CLUB: Doon youth Club are looking for volunteers to help run the club this year. If you are interested in helping in any way please contact Mike on (087) 6764345 or Daria on (087) 3490098. All training for volunteers will be provided by Limerick Youth Service.

DOON COMMUNITY COUNCIL: Annual Coffee Morning & cake sale takes place this weekend after all Masses in Jack Ryan's Bar. Donations of baked goods/turf/firewood would be very welcome and can be dropped to the bar before or after Masses. Annual Scrap Metal collection will take place on Saturday 5th October. For all bookings contact 085 1443470.

SOLEMN NOVENA: in honour of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Holycross Abbey from Sunday 8th September until Monday 16th September. Devotions and Mass on weekdays at 7am, 10.30am, 4.30pm, 7.30pm and 9.30pm. Sundays at 7am, 10.30am, 12.30pm, 7.30p m & 9.30pm. Extra Sessions: Friday 13th September - Penitential Service at 7.30pm & 9.30pm Saturday 14th September - Anointing of the Sick at 2pm. Sunday 15th September - Blessing of Infants at 2.30pm. Confessions will take place throughout the weekdays.

CHURCH CLEANING GROUP: will meet at 10am on Tuesday 3rd September. New people are always welcome as many hands make light work. Thanks to the group for keeping the Church so clean.

CEMETERY MASS COLLECTION: Thanks to all who helped, and contributed to the collection taken up at the cemetery Mass on the 26th of July. The amount collected was €4,155. This is used to help supplement the overall costs of maintaining our cemetery to such a high standard.

CEAOBH PHEIG UÍ RIAIN: will host music singing and Irish classes again for the coming year. Registration will take place on Monday 9th September from 6pm to 7pm at Scoil Chaitríona Cappamore. Regular classes will then commence on Monday 16th September @ 6.20 pm to 8.50 pm. Enquiries to 061 381269 or 061 381414.

CATCHING THE LIGHT ART EXHIBITION. There will be an exhibition of paintings by Michael O'Brien in the Community Centre, Cappamore from Friday, 6th to Sunday 8th September. For further information or to view some of Michael's work check out Facebook or Instagram @michaelobrien.artist. All are welcome.

DOON SOCIAL FARM: has opened a Farm Shop just inside the old girl's secondary school gates on the left-hand side. The shop is **only** open on Tuesdays from 12-4. We are selling 100% chemical free carrots, onions, cabbage, salads, kale, cherry tomatoes and much more. We look forward to welcoming the community to the farm. There will also be a 10-month horticulture program starting in November for young people who are between the ages of 18-35 who are not in education or employment. For more information please call the farm on 061 380808.

COMMUNICARE HEALTHCARE: "Are you a Healthcare Assistant and require extra hours, Do you require flexibility? Do you drive? We at Communicare Healthcare are looking for you. We offer flexible working hours and excellent rates of pay. Give us a call today on 061-760231, alternatively email us in your CV to southrecruitment@communicare.ie or check out our website www.communicare.ie ."