

St. Patrick's Parish, Doon-2nd April 2017

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Dear Parishioner, Lessons from today's Gospel to reflect on: Martha and Mary were people of faith but Jesus led them to an even deeper faith. Who were the people who led you to a deeper faith in Jesus? Remember them and give thanks. Martha and Mary were struggling to come to terms with their bereavement. What has helped you in similar situations? The concern of Jesus is palpable and touching. Recall those who matter to you and to whom you matter. Such love mediates God's love, which surpasses human love with the gift of new life and Easter joy. One can imagine Lazarus as a symbol of people and groups that are written off as dead (sometimes by themselves), and yet through faith come back to life again. Have you had the experience of being revived by faith? Has faith helped to free you from what held you in bondage, or was destructive of your life?

First Friday: Fri. 7th April is 1st Friday of the month. Usual Communion calls.

Offertory Collection: Last Sunday's collection was €1,032-many thanks. Trocaire boxes are available as you leave the Church.

Readers & Eucharistic Ministers: 8th/9th April:

Readers:Eucharistic Ministers:6:30pmConor Kelly & Gerdie McGrathJohn Favier/Paudie Sweeney9:30amMarie Duggan & Pakie O'BrienDonal Anderson/Peg McLoughlin11amTherese & Anna O'DeaSinead Ryan/Nicholas Mooney

Altar Servers: 8th/9th April:

6:30pm 11am

Anniversaries: 1st/2nd April:

6:30pm -

9:30am -11am - 8th/9th April:

James Buckley, Glengar, Anniv. James Carew, Main St.-3rd Anniv.

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PJ Byrnes, Ballycushowen-13th Anniv. Patrick Ryan, Muine-Anniv.

Recently Deceased: Kathleen Clarke nee Kennedy, Cooga, Doon who was laid to rest in Doon on Fri. 31st March. Gladys Collins, Ballina, Tipperary (mother of Tim Collins, Main St.) who was laid to rest on Wed. 29th March. Nora Ryan, Assumption Terrace who was laid to rest in Doon on Sat. 1st Apr. Sympathy to the bereaved. May they rest in peace.

First Confessions: We pray for the boys & girls from our Parish who will have their First Penance Celebration on Wed. 5th April here in the Parish Church at 7:30pm.

Eucharistic Adoration: Every Wednesday from 10am to 10pm. As a Lenten observance it may well be an opportunity for you to spend some time in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament. Please contact any member of the adoration group for more information.

A sum of money was found in Doon GAA grounds: contact (087) 9882321.

Mulkear Outreach Group Chernobyl Children International: would like to thank all who generously supported the Annual Church Gate Collection, €844.66 was collected.

Archdiocese of Cashel & Emly: Pilgrimage to Lourdes takes place 16th-21st June. Fully inclusive Price €699. For more information contact Joe Walsh Tours, Dublin, Tel. (01) 2410811. Pilgrimage Director: Rev. Jimmy Donnelly, Doon (061) 380165.

Social Dancing: continues every Wed. night in Doon Community Centre @ 8pm. All welcome.

JS Fitness & Performance: new training facility. Class schedule available on facebook & in local shops. Personal training also available. For more information call Joe (085) 7617485

The Team Limerick Clean Up: will take place again on Good Friday-14th April. Last year we had a wonderful turn out when 80% of all roads were picked for litter. This year's target is 100%. The pick-up will be lead by Doon Camogie Club, Doon GAA and Doon Tidy Towns. Everyone welcome. Pickers & gloves will be provided. More details later.

Darkness into Light: Tipp town registration has opened online, go onto **Dil Tipp Town** & follow link to register. Early bird is $\in 20$.

Doon Friends of Lourdes: Cashel & Emly Lourdes Pilgrimage 16th-21st June 2017. Names of people wishing to travel to Lourdes on Assisted Pilgrim Section, please contact Sandra Ryan (A) (087) 6448470 or Mairead Murphy (086) 8891047. Doon Friends of Lourdes Annual Church Gate collection will take place on the 8th/9th April. Your support as always is greatly appreciated.

Doon Historical Society: John Flannery, Nenagh will give a talk on Sonny O'Neill & his association with Michael Collins in the Fr. McGrath hall on Mon. 10th April at 8pm. A plaque will be unveiled at the Garda Baracks (Old RIC Barracks) on Easter Sun. @ 12 noon. A wreath will also be placed at the Proclamation Plaque and National Flag on the day.

LCFE Cappamore Campus: is now enrolling for full time QQI Level 5 Courses starting Sept. 2017. Courses include: Construction, Engineering, Business, Early Childhood Care, Healthcare Support, Nursing Studies (Pre Nursing) Animal Care, Horticultural Studies, Creative Sewing & Knitting, Blacksmith & Iron Craft. Apply online at www.lcfe.ie or contact (061) 381272.

Cappamore Fun Walk & Easter Egg Hunt: Cappamore/Langonnet Twinning Group are holding a Fun Walk (5km) and Easter Egg Hunt on Sun. 9th April, starting from the Community Centre. Registration at 12 o'clock and walk starting at 12:30 p.m. €5 per person or €15 per family. Refreshments & raffle on registration number to follow. Come along & join in the fun!

Doon GAA: Lotto: Mon. 27th Mar. no's drawn 12-16-20-22, no winner. Next week's draw will be held in Moore's Bar with a jackpot of €13,000. **Fixtures & Results:** will be sent out by text for weekday & weekend fixtures each week. If you would like to receive these texts please text your name to (087) 7818652. Alternatively you can search for Doon GAA on TeamApp where you can also receive these alerts. **Membership:** can be paid to registrar Patricia Murphy. **It has finally arrived:** the much anticipated "A **Night at the Dogs"** will take place this Sat. night-1st April in Limerick dog track. **Club Limerick Draw:** Top prize €10,000 each month. Please support Doon GAA & Limerick GAA. Cost: €100 for the year. Contact Donal Anderson (086) 8421747 for more details.