



St. Patrick's Parish, Doon- 4th August 2019

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Dear Parishioner,

Some of us may hear today's Gospel reading and think: 'Well, what is so wrong with that?' In a lot of ways, the actions of the man in the parable make sense. He has had a good harvest (presumably a result of his own hard work) and is making provisions for the future – building bigger barns to store his crops, ensuring he has enough to live on for the coming years, allowing himself to enjoy the fruits of his labour. He is living the dream! He is a good businessman, he has achieved security in life, so why shouldn't he 'eat, drink, have a good time'? Yet God brands him a 'fool.' Why? As it turns out, the man is to die very soon. He certainly can't take all his treasure with him. He has not thought beyond his own enjoyment. He is living only for this life, without any thought for the bigger picture. As Jesus warns: 'a man's life is not made secure by what he owns, even when he has more than he needs.' Furthermore, there is no indication that the considered sharing his wealth with anyone else. His focus is 'me, me, me.' He comes across as selfish and greedy. What does he have to show for his life? Yes, he had a good time, but has he helped anyone else, or left the world a better place? We do not need to renounce all our worldly possessions or stop planning for the future, but we do need to keep things in their proper perspective.

"If you read history, you will find that the Christians who did most for the present world were just those who thought most of the next." – CS Lewis

Readers & Eucharistic Ministers: 10th & 11th August:

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6:30pm Ted Riordan	Joan Hogan/Mary Hayes
9:30am Mary Lysaght	Eilín Uí Chuimín/Nora Coffey
11am Therese O'Dea	John O'Brien

Anniversaries: 3rd & 4th August:	10th & 11th August:
6:30pm Jack Carey, Glengar and deceased family Members Bernadette King nee Carey whose funeral took place in Surrey England on Friday	Ann Ryan Con 1 st Anniversary Mai McAuliffe & her husband Dermot's Month's Mind
9:30am Maurice O'Connor, Moher	Mary Madden, Gurtavalla
11am Julia & Edmund Murphy Tom Hammersley	Mary & Michael Anderson, Coolbane (16 th & 32 nd Anniversaries)

RECENTLY DECEASED: Joan Fitzmaurice nee Ryan, Doncaster and formerly Doon East who's funeral took place in England on Friday. Sympathies to the bereaved.

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: Congratulations to Sean Thompson who won this week's lotto. No's drawn 8-11-23-26. Next week's draw will take place Moore's Bar with a jackpot €2,000.

SUMMER SEISDÚN & BBO 2019: in Moore's on Friday 16th August next in aid of Chernobyl Children International and Fr Johnny Sweeney's Missionary Work in Argentina. Acts include Kevin Sheehy (Handipak fame), Tommy McGrath, Tossie Gough, Celtic Fusion, Fr Johnny Sweeney and many more. If anyone fancies taking part please come along with your instrument and join in on the fun on the night. Free admission & Raffle.

HARD LUCK: to Limerick for losing out to Kilkenny in the Senior Hurling Semi-Final in Croke Park last Saturday. A great achievement none the less and for all the Doon men for making us feel so proud. Well done to Richie English, Darragh O'Donovan, Pat Ryan, Mikey O'Brien & Barry Murphy and to Adam English & Eddie Stokes who played with the Limerick Minors.

DOON TIDY TOWNS: Doon in Bloom Competition 2019: Design a Window Box, Hanging Basket, Flower Pot etc. Adult Prizes 1st €100 - 2nd €50. Children's Competition - Fairy Garden in 30 x 30 cm or 60 x 60 cm boxes. Flower Pots, Window Baskets or Shoes (Be Creative) Kids Prizes 1st €50 - 2nd €25. *No Entry Fees.* Competition Dates July 1st- Aug 17th 2019. Judging in Pastoral Centre on 18th August

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

DOON COMMUNITY COUNCIL: Dates for your diary - Annual *Coffee Morning & Cake Sale* set for weekend of 31st August/ 1st September after all Masses in Jack Ryan's Bar. Donations of baked goods, turf and firewood would be most welcome for the coffee morning. Annual *Scrap Metal Collection* will take place on Saturday 5th October. Office services available on Mondays & Tuesdays 10am-1pm & 2pm-4pm and Wednesday 10am-1pm. For bookings please contact 085 1443470.

VISITATION OF THE SICK IN HOSPITALS & NURSING HOMES: Hospitals & nursing homes are no longer permitted to provide a list of parishioners who are their patients or residents to a visiting priest due to the new law called General Data Protection Regulation. If you have a family member in a hospital or nursing home who would like a visit from a priest, please contact Fr Jimmy.

LEGION OF MARY: The annual Catholic young adult conference takes place in All Hallows College, Drumcondra, Dublin, the weekend of Sat.31st August/Sunday 1st September. The conference is open to all young Catholics between 18 and 40 years. If interested please call to the pastoral center any Tuesday evening from 23rd July to 6th August from 8 - 9 p.m. and speak to a member of the Legion of Mary. Other details are on the poster on the church noticeboard.

CAPPAMORE SHOW: Sat 17th Aug. All details on www.cappamoreshow.ie

OUR LADY OF FATIMA NATIONAL PILGRIMAGE will take place on Sunday 1st September in Holycross Abbey. Ceremonies begin at 2.30pm with recitation of the Rosary & Testimony followed by Stations of the Cross, Anointing of the Sick and Concelebrated Mass at 4pm. All are welcome.

DOON HISTORICAL SOCIETY: The Annual Summer Outing will take place on the 14th August and the destination is Wexford, taking in many sites of interest including Johnstown Castle and Agricultural Museum, Enniscorthy Heritage Centre, Vinegar Hill and Boulavogue. This is always a good day out. Please confirm booking to 087 2347072.

PLEASE NOTE: Notes for newsletter be emailed or handed in to Fr Jimmy by 6pm Wednesday evening for inclusion the following weekend. Email to doonparishnewsletter@eircom.net