



St. Patrick's Parish, Doon-4th June 2017

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Dear Parishioner, this Sunday's Gospel tells us about the time that Jesus visits the apostles again and performs two actions. The first action is concerned with peace and the second action is concerned with the Holy Spirit. Often when we are worried or anxious about something we can find it difficult to relax and trust that things will work out. This is a natural reaction when we feel that we are not in complete control of what will happen next. Sometimes we need to be able to let go and let God. Jesus was aware of this and when he arrived to visit his disciples he offered them the sign of peace. This helped them to relax and be a little less anxious, to have trust and to be calm enough to embrace what was to come. It is only when we are really at peace with ourselves that we can think clearly, pray well and do good for others. Fretting and being stressed does not help us in life, it is indeed a human limitation, but allowing stress and anxiety to take over is not a positive, nor is it good for us.

Having shared the sign of peace, Jesus breathed the Holy Spirit on the apostles. Spiritus is the Latin word for breath and here we see Jesus breathing the Holy Spirit into the people who were going forward to share the Good News, carrying on his ministry here on earth. The disciples knew this was not an easy task and so do we. When we speak about God or add to a conversation in terms of our faith, it can be difficult when others do not agree, perhaps do not respect religious beliefs or simply discount God. We have the breath of God in us too. We have been blessed with the Holy Spirit during our baptism and then again confirmed with the Holy Spirit. Knowing that we are graced with the Holy Spirit is a wonderful gift and one that causes us to be strong and stay connected to our faith. This is not always easy as the world is quite a secular place, but we have been baptised to go and share the Good News! How often do we share it?

Offertory Collection: last Sunday's collection was €985-many thanks.

Readers & Eucharistic Ministers: for 10th/11th June:

	Readers:	Eucharistic Ministers:
6:30pm	Donal Ryan	Mai O'Dwyer/Cait McMahon
9:30am	Damien Richardson	Margaret Ryan/Marie Ryan
11am	Nicholas Roche	Marian Murphy/Noreen O'Dwyer

	Anniversaries: 3 rd /4 th June:	10 th /11 th June:
6:30pm	Jerry & Nonie Tierney, Clonlusk & deceased Family members. Philip & Josephine Hynan, Carrigmore.	Michael & Nonie Clancy, Hillview Grove. - -
9:30am	-	James Ryan (Frank), Gurtavalla.
11am	-	Margaret (Peg) O'Brien, Carrigbeg.

New Rota for Readers & Eucharistic Ministers: will be drawn up over the next few weeks. If you have any changes please contact Patricia Murphy (086) 8338898 ASAP.

We welcome: to our Parish this weekend Sr. Kathleen Hickey a member of the Franciscan Missionary Sisters Africa who will speak at all Masses & take up a collection for their work.

Found: A sum of money was found in the Church last Sunday after 11am Mass. Please contact Fr Jimmy.

Our Lady of Fatima Centenary: 13th May 1917-13th May 2017, to celebrate the Holy Rosary will be recited in the Church on the 13th day of each month from May until October @ 6pm.

New Community Website & app: will be launching soon to help connect everyone to all news, events businesses & work in the area. Check out www.urhub.ie for updates.

Dún Bleisce Tidy Towns: will meet every Wed. @ 7pm at the Church gates from now until Mid July for a clean-up of various areas in the village. We would welcome help & any suggestions which would improve our Village & our marks in the Tidy Town competition. Judging for Tidy Towns will take place between Mid June until Mid July.

Marigold Festival: The Mid Western Region of Active Retirement Ireland are holding their 4th Marigold Festival in the Radisson Blu Hotel, Ennis Road, Limerick, on Wed. 7th June. It is a day of fun for all ages. The event is open to the general public as well as Active Retirement members. All are welcome. Doors open at 10.00am & will finishes at approximately 4.30pm. Admission is free.

Marriage Encounter in Ireland celebration of European Council Gathering at the Carrigaline Count Hotel, Carrigaline, Co. Cork on Sat. 24th June beginning at 1:15 pm. RSVP by 31st May to Dave & Ann Mahony Tel:(026) 42579/ Mob.(085) 1092829, Email: tignaghreine@gmail.com

Milford Care Centre is offering a Bereavement Support Education Programme: commencing 20th September & will run over 12 consecutive Wed. evenings. An information evening is taking place on Wed 21st June @ 7pm in Milford Care Centre.

Doon CBS: Best wishes to Tomas Lynch who plays on the Limerick Primary Game hurling team in Hurls today Sunday 4th.

Doon GAA: Lotto: Mon. 29th May no's drawn 17-20-24-25, no winner. Next week's draw will be held in Jesse's Bar with a jackpot of €14,800. **Best of luck:** to all our clubmen who will be representing Limerick in Thurles today as they take on Clare @ 2pm U25's: Eoghan McNamara & Barry Murphy and @ 4pm Seniors: Richie English, Pat Ryan & Darragh O'Donovan & Tomas Lynch who plays in the Primary Game. 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:** Registrar will be collecting last of the membership this coming Tue. night @ 8pm in the Clubhouse-juvenile €20, adult player €50 & non-player €30. **Cash 4 Clobber:** bags can be dropped to clubhouse every Sat. morning from 10-11:30am or contact any club member. **All good wishes:** to our leaving & junior cert students as they commence their exams this week.

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