



St. Patrick's Parish, Doon- 5th August 2018

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Dear Parishioner,

Growing up, did the adults in your life tell you any stories about food?

• Crusts will make your hair curly. • Spinach makes you strong. • An apple a day keeps the doctor away. These wise old sayings, passed down through the generations, were employed to encourage us to eat certain foods, mainly healthy fruit and veg. Some even had an element of truth. Nowadays we can establish the accuracy of such claims at the touch of a button, but many parents still find themselves trotting out these nuggets of wisdom. Behind it all is a desire to see children grow up as strong, healthy and happy as possible. There is a huge focus these days on healthy eating and having a physically healthy lifestyle. Mental health is also being spoken about more and more. Nourishing one's mind and keeping it healthy is just as important as fuelling the body. Both of these are essential long-term projects, the work of a lifetime. When it comes to the life beyond this one, Jesus talks about a different type of food – food that endures to eternal life. It is this bread, Jesus himself, that gives meaning to our work and our struggles here on earth. As Jesus tells us today: 'Do not work for food that cannot last, but work for food that endures to eternal life.' Let us not forget to nourish our spirit.

Offertory Collection: last Sunday €770, thank you for your contributions to the parish.

Readers & Eucharistic Ministers: 11th/12th Aug:

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Eucharistic Ministers:

6:30pm Eimear O' Connell & Fiona Clifford Paud Sweeney

Neil Maher/Ann Hayes

9:30am Donie Anderson

Nora Treacy/Anita Sweeney

11am Aisling McNamara

Anniversaries: 4th/5th August:

11th/12th Aug:

6:30pm People of the Parish

William Maher; Toher Rd (Months Mind)

9:30am Maurice O'Connor, Moher

Mary Madden

Nellie & Billy Cummins, Coolnamona

11am Requiem Mass for Anne (Hannie) Ryan-
Con, Moanduff & Tipperary

Michael & Mary Anderson, Coolbawn

Nora & Denis Coffey & their daughter

Anna, Carrigmore

Alter Servers 11th/12th Aug:

6:30pm Sheana Buckley, James Buckley, Lauren Ryan & Grainne Ryan

11am Chloe Ryan, Jessica & Joshua McLoughlin, Darren Kennedy & Paddy Ryan

Recently deceased Pray for John Ryan (Fol) Celbridge & late of Hartwell, Kill, Co. Kildare & Commonline, Doon, Co. Limerick, whose funeral took place in Naas during the week. Sympathies to the bereaved.

Masses for the coming week: No Mass Monday or Tuesday morning.

Baptism: We welcome to our Christian community Alice Kate Richardson who was baptised on the 28th July. Congratulations to his parents Mark & Kathleen and the extended family.

Men's Shed: continue to meet every Monday night @ 8pm in the Convent. All welcome

Cemetery Mass: A Mass big thank you to all to all who attended and participated in and who helped in any way at our Annual Cemetery. Thanks to Mary Murphy Supervisor and her team of workers with Sliabh Felim who maintain the cemetery all year round. The total amount collected at the Mass which helps to defray costs of keeping the cemetery looking so well was **€2,835.00**. Thank you for your contribution.

All-Ireland Final Weekend Summer Seisiún & BBQ Fundraiser in aid of Chernobyl Children International Mulkear Outreach Group and Fr Johnny Sweeney's Mission work in Argentina on Friday 17th August in Moore's Bar, Doon from 9pm. Featuring Tommy McGrath, Celtic Fusion, Jim the Mill & Girls, the Trad Gang from Thurles, Fr Johnny and many more. Your support as always is greatly appreciated.

Doon GAA: Lotto No's drawn 18-19-27-29, no winner. Next week's jackpot is €4,200 and draw will be held in Ger Doyle's Bar

Doon Community Council: Annual Coffee Morning/Cake Sale has been rescheduled for Sunday 2nd September after both Masses. Annual Scrap Metal collection on Saturday 6th October.

Doon Historical Society: annual summer outing to Waterford City on Aug 15th. Bus leaves Doon at 8am. The tour will include Waterford Crystal Factory, the Medieval Museum, Bishop's Palace, Reginald's Tower & Ormond Castle in Carrick on Suir. Please contact 087 2347072 ASAP if you would like to go.

Doon ICA: and Friends Gym class cancelled for August. Classes to resume in Sept.

The Belfry Café: located in the old Protestant Church, Doon (formerly Preachers Restaurant) is open Tuesday to Sunday from 10am to 5pm. A lovely location to catch up with friends and enjoy the freshest locally sourced food and great coffee.

You are invited: to the **Diocesan Liturgy of Prayer** on the eve of the WMOF and the visit of Pope Francis, in the Cathedral of the Assumption, Thurles on **Tuesday, 21st August 2018 @ 7.30pm** in conjunction with similar events taking place at the same time in all cathedrals throughout the country. Further details to follow.

VMM International Celebrates 50 Years of Lay Mission: VMM would like to reconnect with returned volunteers who participated on our projects in Africa, Asia and Latin America throughout the years and invite you to our Gathering and Gala Dinner celebrations in Dublin on Sept 1st. www.vmminternational.org/vmm-international-celebrates-50th-anniversary/

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