



St. Patrick's Parish, Doon—8th January 2017

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Dear Parishioner, How can we enter into the mystery of Jesus' humble self-abasement and Baptism? Gregory of Nazianzus, a fourth-century Church father tells us: 'Let us be buried with Christ by Baptism to rise with him; let us go down with him to be raised with him; and let us rise with him to be glorified with him.' Do you want to see changes in your life? And do you want to become a more effective instrument of the Gospel? Examine Jesus' humility and ask the Holy Spirit to forge this same attitude in your heart. As you do, heaven will open for you as well. The Lord is ever ready to renew us in his Spirit and to anoint us for mission. We are called to be 'light' and 'salt' to those around us. The Lord wants his love and truth to shine through us that others may see the goodness and truth of God's message of salvation. Ask the Lord to fill you with his Holy Spirit that you may radiate the joy of the Gospel to those around you.

Offertory Collection: Last Sunday's collection was €977, many thanks.

Readers & Eucharistic Ministers: 14th/15th Jan:

Readers:

6:30pm Ted Riordan

9:30am Marie Duggan

11am Aishling McNamara

Eucharistic Ministers:

Bridie Stapleton/Mary Ryan

Margaret Loughman/Marie Ryan

Sinead Ryan/Nicholas Mooney

Altar Servers: 14th/15th Jan:

6:30pm Eadaoin Crowe, Kaela English, Pdraig Crowe, Ciara O'Dwyer

11am Alisha Davis, Cathal Hayes, Aidan & Sean Moloney

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

Anniversaries/Months Mind:

7th/8th Jan:

6:30pm Michael & Tom O'Brien, parents

Molly & Paddy.

Josephine Quinlan, Glengar.

9:30am -

14th/15th Jan:

Betty Breen, Lisowen

Teresa Kelly, Lacka.

Tommy Richardson & his sister

Peggy, Doon South.

George & Kate Lonergan,

Kilmoylan.

11am Michael O'Brien, Carrigbeg.

Shelia Wrenn.

Mon. 9th Pat & Maryanne Gleeson, Kyle Cappamore & Bill Gorman, Pallasgreen

Recently Deceased: Br. Michael Bertrand Keating, former teacher in Doon CBS, laid to rest on Tue. 2nd Jan. 2017. Maureen Crowe, Carrigmore who was laid to rest on Wed. 4th Jan. Con & Kay O'Driscoll, Main Street, Doon who were laid to rest on Thur.- 5th Jan. in Doon. May they rest in peace. Sympathy to the bereaved.

Recently Married: Eoin Ryan, Carnahalla & Lucia Griffin, Ennis who were married on Dec. 28th in Lissecasey Church.

Annual SVP: collection before Christmas came to €716.60. Funding raising by staff & pupils of Scoil na Trionoide amounted to €290. We are very grateful to all our parishioners & schools for all their generous support. We would like to acknowledge also the huge amount of food items & toys which were donated to the Christmas Food Collection through the schools and shops. Every Euro raised locally will be spent locally. If you or a relative/ friend would benefit from a visit from our SVP members our number is 087 1459024.

Doon Parish Journal: thanks to all who helped with the production of the 25th edition of "Bleisce". It is now on sale in the local shops-price €10, a great New Years gift. The official launch of the 25th Edition of "Blesice" will take place tonight Sat. 7th Jan at 9pm in Moores Bar, all are welcome.

Doon GAA: Lotto: Mon. 2nd Jan 2017 no's drawn 7-14-19-26, no winner. Next-week's draw will be held in Kelly's Bar with a jackpot of €10,600. **5K Annual Fun Run/Walk:** Thanks to all who participated & helped out. The day was a great success. **National Draw Tickets:** are currently been sold by members at €10 each, all proceeds from the draw are retained by the club. **Membership:** can be paid to registrar Patricia Murphy. **Congratulations:** to Con & Margaret Ryan on their recent win in the December Limerick Club Draw. All club related activity can be found on <https://sites.google.com/view/doongaa/home>

God of my life, I welcome this new day, it is your gift to me, a new creation, a promise of resurrection. I thank you for the grace of being alive this day. I thank you for the sleep which has refreshed me. I thank you for this chance to make a new beginning.

This day Lord is full of promise and opportunity; let me waste none of it. This day is full of mystery and the unknown; help me to face it without fear or anxiety. This day is blessed with beauty and adventure: make me fully alive to it all.

During this day keep me thoughtful, prayerful and kind. May I be courteous and helpful to others, and not turned in on myself. Keep me from any word or deed that would hurt, or destroy, or belittle another. May the thoughts of my mind be pleasing in your sight.

When night comes again, may I look back on this day with no grief or bitterness in my heart; and may no one be unhappy because of anything I have done or anything I have failed to do this day. Lord, bless this day for me and for my family, my friends and everyone I love. Make it a day in which we grow to have the mind of Christ, your Son. Amen.