



St. Patrick's Parish, Doon- 8th October 2017

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Dear Parishioner, Today's Gospel follows directly after last Sunday's Gospel in which Jesus was questioned by Jewish religious leaders about the source of his teaching authority. After refusing to answer their questions, Jesus tells the parable of the two sons and then criticizes the priests and elders for their lack of belief in John the Baptist. In telling the parable, Jesus is clearly drawing upon Isaiah 5:1-7, which is today's first reading and one that the priests and elders would have known well. The Pharisees would have understood that the vineyard represented Israel, the landowner represented God, the servants represented the prophets, and the bad tenants represented the religious leaders. Yet Jesus nonetheless explains the meaning of the parable for his audience: the Kingdom of God will be taken from the unbelieving and given to the faithful. The chief priests and elders have condemned themselves with their answer to Jesus' question. This Gospel reminds us of the importance of listening to God's word. God speaks to us in many ways—through Scripture, through our Church tradition, in our Church's teaching, and through modern-day prophets. Are we attentive and receptive to God's word to us through these messengers?

Offertory Collection: last Sunday's collection was €805-many thanks for your generosity.

Readers & Eucharistic Ministers: for 14th/15th October:

Readers:		Eucharistic Ministers:	
6:30pm	Niamh Kelly & Sarah Collins		Paud Sweeney/Denise Buckley
9:30am	Damian Richardson		Eilín Uí Chuimín/Judith Ryan
11am	Margaret Ryan		Marian Murphy/Noreen O'Dwyer

Anniversaries: 7th/8th Oct: 14th/15th Oct:

6:30pm	William Hewitt, Carnahalla.	-
9:30am	Nellie Slattery, Cooga. Catherine Ryan (Frank), Gurtavalla.	-
11am	Kathleen Hayes, Main Street.	-

Please Note: While Fr Jimmy is away Fr Dick Browne Cappamore will cover emergency calls. His number is 061 381288. Masses for the coming week will be **Wednesday Morning Only @ 9.30am.** Usual Mass times at weekends.

October: the month of the rosary, rosary each Sunday evening at 6pm at grotto all welcome

Eucharistic Adoration: Every Wednesday from 10am to 10pm. Please take a leaflet and commit some time. If you cannot full-fill your allotted time for some reason subs are available to take your place. Please contact any member of the adoration group for more information.

World Mission Sunday: on Sun. 8th Oct., please remember that the Holy Father invites all Catholics to contribute to a special collection, the Mission Sunday collection. World Missions Ireland is the Holy Father's official charity for overseas mission and is responsible for coordinating Mission Sunday in Ireland. All of the Mission Sunday materials are available on World Missions Ireland's website – www.wmi.ie.

Our Lady of Fatima Centenary Celebrations: 13th May 1917- 13th May 2017: To celebrate the centenary the Holy Rosary will be recited in the Church on the 13th day of each month from May until October at 6pm The Pilgrim statue of Our Lady of Fatima is available to visit your home for these few

months. If you would like to host the statue in your home for a week please put your name address and contact details on the sheet as you leave the church.

Laudato Si Care for our common home: the comprehensive document on the environment by Pope Francis. You are invited to the 1 remaining workshop in Cappawhite Community Centre Oct. 12th from 7.30 to 9.30pm. Inspiring speakers and all are welcome.

East Branch of the Irish Red Cross: will hold a Church Gate Collection after all Masses this weekend. Your support would be much appreciated.

Doon Community Council: Scrap metal collection is on Sat. 7th Oct. Drop off items at the Community Centre on that morning. If you require collection of larger items contact Tim O'Brien (086) 0748022, Denis Duggan (086) 8652424 or Tom Hayes (087) 6853910 before 5th Oct. **Men's Shed:** A meeting will be held on Mon. 9th Oct. at 8.30pm in the Community Centre regarding setting up the Men's Shed in the parish. Anyone interested please attend.

Scoil Na Trionoide Naofa Parents Council: "Donal Walsh Life Foundation". On Thurs. 12th Oct. @ 7pm we welcome all to come listen to Elma Walsh, mother of Donal Walsh. She will address parents on "living a fulfilled life ad dealing with stresses and anxieties in today's world"

Anam Cara: the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding its next monthly Parent Evening on Mon. 16th October from 7:30pm-9pm in the Horse & Jockey, Thurles. his event is open to all bereaved parents regardless of age your child died, the circumstances of death, or whether it was recent or not.

The Joy of Love in Marriage: a Marriage Encounter Weekend offers married couples (of all age ranges) private time to rediscover the joy of their love. The next residential Weekend will be 17th – 19th Nov. 2017 at The Lake Hotel, Killarney. For information & to book, visit www.marriageencounter.ie or call (086) 6095168 or 064 6644319.

Social Dancing Classes: every Wed. night in Doon Community Centre @ 8:30pm, all are welcome

Update on Doon Convent Redevelopment Project: Initial funding has been approved for environmental walk around farm perimeter-work to begin next Spring. Funding approved & tendering is in process for social farming project. Master plan for whole site is being prepared & will in due course be available for viewing. Clean up of farmyard is being done by local volunteers. Many thanks to those who have helped to date.

Doon Parish Journal: In order to have the 26th edition of 'Bleisce' on sale in early December, all material-club reports, articles, tributes & photographs **must be submitted** by 31st Oct. They can be given to Donal Anderson or Peggy Sweeney or emailed to doonparishjournal@hotmail.com. Submissions are included at the discretion of the committee & may be edited

Doon Study Hub: Need a quiet place to study? Look no further! We are open every Tue., Wed., and Thur. For times & prices please see our Facebook page or contact us via email doonstudyhub@gmail.com. We are also open every Sat. from 10am to 2pm.

Doon GAA: Lotto No's drawn 2-15-28-28, no winner. Next week's jackpot is €4,600. **Fixtures & Results:** will be sent out by text for all fixtures each week, text your name to (087) 7818652 if you would like to receive same. Doon GAA will hold a cake sale on the weekend of Sat. 28th Oct. This is in aid of upgrading the defibrillator equipment in the GAA Grounds. Please support as its for a fantastic cause. For more information contact Mary O'Brien on (087) 0616661. **Congratulations:** to both the U16 girls & boys on winning their A Final's last weekend.