



### St. Patrick's Parish, Doon-9<sup>th</sup> July 2017

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**Dear Parishioner,** In today's Gospel Jesus explains to us that no matter how sad or weakened from daily experiences we become, he is here, openhearted, loving, forgiving and championing us on. Jesus asks us to come to him and dwell in his love. He further explains to us that God reveals himself equally to children as well as adults through Jesus himself. This means that we should not walk away from the Word of God, scratching our heads, uttering that we are too puzzled and unable to understand it. Children appreciate the message of Jesus and so can each adult. Jesus tells us that he is humble and that he does not worry and stress all day! We can often end up worried and stressed over very little. When we think about it, children run free playing games and are eager to laugh and play with each other. They are not burdened with fretting and stressing about tomorrow. Jesus uses the notion of children being close to God and loving God in a full and complete way. He calls us to be like this in our whole and absolute love of God the Father. Listening to the Gospel and taking it into our hearts and minds is the first step into absolute love of God.

**Offertory Collection:** last Sunday's collection was €910-many thanks for your generosity, it's very much appreciated.

#### Readers & Eucharistic Ministers: for 15<sup>th</sup>/16<sup>th</sup> July:

Readers:	Eucharistic Ministers:
6:30pm Jack Ryan	Mai O'Dwyer/Cait McMahon
9:30am Orla Treacy	Donal Anderson/Peg McLoughlin
11am Margaret Ryan	Nora Treacy/Anita Sweeney

#### Altar Servers:

6:30pm Eadaoin & Padraig Crowe, Ciaran O'Dwyer, Jamie Cahill
11am Shauna & Tomas Lynch, Jack McPartland, Ciaran Whelan

Anniversaries: 8 <sup>th</sup> /9 <sup>th</sup> July:	15 <sup>th</sup> /16 <sup>th</sup> July:
6:30pm Timothy & Margaret Ryan (Smith), Cooga & Deceased family members. Sr. Margaret, Sally & Timothy's father Tom. Rodie & Margaret Ryan, Glengar & their son & Daughter Paddy & Norah & family members.	Fr. Eddie Whelan. John & Josephine Franklin & their son Willie & Grandson Sean O'Sullivan.
9:30am Julie Murphy nee Hamersley Carnahalla.	Kitty Ryan, Toomaline & daughter Catherin McGrath, Celbridge.
11am Denis & Mai Ryan, Glengar. Nora Con & Mary Ryan Cliggin. Joanie Hayes Kilmoylan 3 <sup>rd</sup> Anniv.	Kathleen Stokes, Clonlusk.

**New Rota for Readers & Eucharistic Ministers:** will be available from the Sacristy this weekend.

**Recently Deceased:** Bro. Noel Denis Skillington, former school principal Doon CBS Primary School, (1972-1979), who died at Baldoye, Dublin on Fri. 30<sup>th</sup> June 2017. Pray for the repose of the soul of Jerry O'Connell, Gurtavalla & Chicago USA whose remains were interred after Mass of Fri. 7<sup>th</sup> July in the family grave. May they rest in peace.

**Wedding Bells:** Congratulations to Elizabeth Breen, (teacher Doon CBS) & Brian O'Doherty who were united in the sacrament of marriage in Rome on Tue. 4<sup>th</sup> July. We pray God's blessing on their marriage and their lives together as husband and wife.

**Dún Bleisce Tidy Towns:** Adjudication takes place during the coming week, so please make a special effort to keep your area looking good.

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

**Volunteer Now:** Would you or could you volunteer to help when Pope Francis visits our country from 21<sup>st</sup>-26<sup>th</sup> Aug. 2018 for the World Meeting of Families. Information leaflet available as you leave the church or lookup [www.worldmeeting2018.ie/volunteer](http://www.worldmeeting2018.ie/volunteer)

**Pioneer Pilgrimage to Knock:** Sun. 16<sup>th</sup> July. If you wish to book a seat please contact Joan on (061) 380201 or Eileen @ (086) 8366735. Bus fare €15. Bus leaving from Lysaght's Corner, Doon @ 7:45am. See notice in Church Porch for all details.

**One Day Conference:** will take place in Mary Immaculate College Limerick on Thur. 13<sup>th</sup> July entitled "Let's Talk Family, Let's Be Family". This is part of the preparations for the World Meeting of Families.

**Our Lady of Fatima Centenary Celebrations 13<sup>th</sup> May 1917-13<sup>th</sup> May 2017:** To celebrate the centenary the Holy Rosary will be recited in the Church on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of each month from May until Oct. @ 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.

**Lough Derg 2017:** You may begin the 3 Day Pilgrimage on any day up to and including Sun. 13<sup>th</sup> August. Advance booking is not necessary. There are various travel options available countrywide. The Lough Derg team can help you to co-ordinate public transport or link up with Pilgrimage Organisers in your locality. Call Maureen or Lorraine on (071) 9851518, email: [info@loughderg.org](mailto:info@loughderg.org) [www.loughderg.org](http://www.loughderg.org)

**Amoris: Let's talk family! Let's be family!** You are cordially invited to an exciting and interactive journey of reflection on love, marriage and the family which will run locally in every diocese in Ireland from Sept. 2017 and is also available on line. Visit [www.worldmeeting2018.ie/amoris](http://www.worldmeeting2018.ie/amoris)

**Cemetery Mass:** The annual cemetery Mass will be celebrated on Fri. 28<sup>th</sup> July @ 7:30pm. Please let family and friends know.

**Doon ICA:** would like to thank the people of Doon for their very generous donations last Wed. for Adapt House. It was very much appreciated.

**Doon Historical Society:** The Annual Summer Outing will be on the 9<sup>th</sup> August this year and the destination is Kilkenny. Save the date / more information to follow.

**Doon GAA:** Lotto: Mon. 3<sup>rd</sup> July, no's drawn 2-10-19-27, congratulations to Mallory Breen-winning €15,600. Next week's draw will be held in Jesse's Bar with a jackpot of €2,000. Fixtures & Results: will be sent out by text-for weekday & weekend fixtures each week, text your name to (087) 7818652 if you would like to receive same. **Best of luck:** to Limerick U21's, especially Eoghan McNamara & Barry Murphy who play Clare in the Munster semi final on Wed. 12<sup>th</sup> @ 7:30p in the Gaelic Grounds.

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