



St. Patrick's Parish, Doon—9th October 2016

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Dear Parishioner, Where are the other nine? As we know only too well, prejudice, ignorance, betrayal and social class can create apparently insurmountable divisions among us. But traditional barriers often crumble in the face of a common crisis or a great opportunity for a better life. This is particularly obvious nowadays in groups helping with recovery from addiction. It is not surprising, then, that it happened among the lepers of Christ's time. Lepers were total outcasts, banned from all contact with the settled community. Food was left for them by their families at designated outposts only. Living such a disrespected way of life, the centuries old and bitter barrier between Jews and Samaritans gave way to a survival camaraderie that led to a racially mixed group of lepers approaching Jesus for healing. All were healed but only the one who was an outcast, through both race and health, returned to give thanks. The others felt that the healer was one of their own, so they were entitled to healing.

Our expectations about our entitlements because of our family background or our education or hard work, often blind us to how gratuitous all God's gifts to us really are. Failure to appreciate the graciousness of such goodness leads to a hardening of the arteries of love that quickly deprives the heart of contentment, generosity and joy. Happiness is the flowering of appreciation and giving thanks. The Samaritan leper knew this. He seized his opportunity. Saying thanks opened up a new relationship with Jesus for him. Where are the other nine? Where are we?

October is the month of The Holy Rosary. Rosary will be said each Sunday for the month of October in the Parish Church at 6pm. All are welcome.

Emails: email address for newsletter items is: doonparishnewsletter@eircom.net & email address for Fr. Jimmy is: doonparishpriest@eircom.net. All items for inclusion in newsletter to be received by 6pm on Wed. evening.

Mass Times: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday @ 9:30am. **NO** morning Masses on Thursday or Saturday. In the event of a funeral there will be no 9:30am morning Mass.

Offertory Collection: last Sunday €945, many thanks to all who gave so generously.

Readers & Eucharistic Ministers: 15th/16th Oct.:

Readers:

6:30pm Eddie Greene

9:30am Pakie O'Brien

11am Nicholas Roche

Eucharistic Ministers:

Paud Sweeney/Denise Buckley

Catherine Crowe/Mary MacLeod

Donal Ryan/Anita Sweeney

Obituaries: Jimmy O'Dwyer, Leicester & formally Main Street Doon-brother of the late Mairead Lonergan. May he rest in peace. Sympathy to the bereaved.

Anniversaries/Months Mind:

8th/9th Oct.:

6:30pm Catherine Ryan (Frank), Gurtavalla.

9:30am -

15th/16th Oct.:

William Hewitt, Carnahalla.

Rodie Ryan Glengar & his son Paddy (Publican) & his daughter Nora.

11am William & Bridget Lysaght,
Monastery Rd.

Recently Christened: We welcome to our Christian community Tommy Allis who was baptised last Sunday. Congratulations to his parents George & Joan Marie and his extended family.

Cappamore Goes Country: in Cappamore Community Centre on Sunday 16th Oct. at 8:15pm with Louise Morrissey, Mick Flavin, Sean Wilson, Tony Mac. Tickets available in Ann's Shop Doon, Tommy Ryan Cappamore and Murroe Post Office.

Eucharistic Adoration Prayer & Fellowship Day: will take place at St. Patrick's College, Thurles on Sat. 15th Oct. from 9am until 1pm. Programme for the day: Registration at 9am followed by Rosary. Holy Mass will be celebrated at 9:30 am by Archbishop Kieran O'Reilly. Tea break 10:15am. 11am Holy Hour conducted By Fr. Eamonn McCarthy followed by a talk. Fr. McCarthy is a priest serving in Macroom, Co. Cork where they have Eucharistic Adoration 24/7. After the talk there will be an opportunity for questions/ comments. The day will conclude at 1pm with a final prayer. All are Welcome!

"Bleisce" Doon Parish Journal: we are currently preparing the 25th edition of "Bleisce". In order to have it available for posting before Christmas all articles, club reports, tributes, special occasions & old photographs need to be with us by the 10th Nov. for possible inclusion. Please send photos in jpeg format and not as part of a document. Articles can be handed into Donal Anderson or Peggy Sweeney or emailed to doonparishjournal@hotmail.com.

Retirement of Br. James Dormer: Br. Dormer would like to thank all who arranged & organised the retirement function & Mass of thanksgiving for him on Sat. 10th Sept. He appreciates very much the efforts of all who made the night possible & thanks to everybody most sincerely for all their kind words, cards & wonderful presentations.

Doon Community Council: invite you "Dinner to die for" in Doon Community Centre on Sat. 29th Oct. Tickets cost €30 for 3 course meal followed by music by "The Irresistibles". Tickets on sale NOW from any member or from the local shops.

Dun Bleisce Tidy Towns: are holding their annual used clothes collection today Sun. 9th Oct. All clothing, shoes etc can be left at the Pastoral Centre both days from 9am to 12 noon. Duvets and Pillows not accepted.

Doon GAA: Lotto: Mon. 3rd Oct. no's drawn 7-10-16-20, no winner. Next week's draw will be held in Moore's Bar with a jackpot of €8,000. **Results:** U14 Co. Final Doon 4-08 Blackrock/Effin 0-3.

Fr Jimmy is away from the 6th Oct. until the 22nd Oct. In case of an emergency please contact Fr. Dick Browne in Cappamore on (061) 381288/(087) 6012148.