



**St. Patrick's Parish, Doon- 10<sup>th</sup> December 2017**

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**Dear Parishioner,** John the Baptist is presented as a messenger to prepare the way for Jesus. Who have been messengers to you, preparing the way for the Lord by alerting you to ways in which you could improve your life? To whom have you been such a messenger? John calls the people to repentance (i.e. a change of heart), as a way to a new life. Can you recall times when you had a change of heart, and the change led to new life for you? John baptised people with water as a gesture to mark their change of heart. Sometimes we perform an action to symbolise our change of heart – write a letter, extend a hand of friendship, throw away our last cigarettes, etc. Can you remember a symbolic gesture with which you marked a change of heart?

**Offertory Collection:** last Sunday's collection was €925-many thanks for your generosity

**Readers & Eucharistic Ministers: 16<sup>th</sup>/17<sup>th</sup> Dec:**

<b>Readers:</b>	<b>Eucharistic Ministers:</b>
6:30pm Patricia Collins	Joan Hogan/Mary Hayes
9:30am Marie Duggan	Neil Maher/Ann Hayes
11am Mary Kate Ryan	Sinead Ryan/Nicholas Mooney

**Anniversaries: 9<sup>th</sup>/10<sup>th</sup> Dec:**

6:30pm James & Lena Allis, Carrigbeg & deceased family members & all who are interred in Castletown Cemetery.

9:30am Pat Sherwood, Gurtavalla.

11am Paddy O'Malley, Glengar-1<sup>st</sup> Anniv.  
Dinny & Alice Hayes & their son Pat.

**16<sup>th</sup>/17<sup>th</sup> Dec:**

Andy & Nora Mai Murphy, Lacka

Tommy & Eileen Bray & deceased members of the Bray family, Kylegarraiffe, Cappamore. Mass for the people of The Parish.

**Dates:** Scoil na Tríonóide Naofa Carol Service-Tue. 12<sup>th</sup> @ 7:30pm. Doon Convent Primary School Nativity-Fri. 15<sup>th</sup> @ 12 noon. Primary School Confessions-Mon. 18<sup>th</sup>@ 12 noon. Parish Confessions Mon. 18<sup>th</sup> @ 7:30pm. Doon CBS Nativity Play-Wed. 20<sup>th</sup> @ 7.30pm. Christmas Eve Mass Sun. 24<sup>th</sup> @ 6.30pm. Christmas Day Masses 9:30am & 11am. Confirmation Day- Tue. 10<sup>th</sup> April. First Holy Communion Day Sun. 6<sup>th</sup> May @ 11am

**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent 16<sup>th</sup>/17<sup>th</sup> Dec:** Please bring the child Jesus figure from your cribs at home to Mass on the **Third Sunday** of Advent and these will be blessed during the liturgy.

**Baptism:** We welcome to our christian community Fiadh Grace O' Brien who was baptised last weekend. Congratulations to her parents Patrice and Donnacha and the extended family.

**Eucharistic Adoration:** Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament continues in our Parish Church every Wed. from 10am until 10pm. Would you consider committing one hour a week to the Lord! As St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta said; "Spend as much time in front of the Blessed Sacrament and He will fill you with His strength and His Power." You can contact any member of the Doon Parish

Adoration Committee: John O'Brien 380614 or (086)8586304, Mary MacCleod: 380987 or (087)1767465 & Marcia Mooney 380382 or (086)4038420 with your chosen hour or time.

**Scoil na Tríonóide Naofa:** will hold their **Christmas Fair** in the School on Sun. 17<sup>th</sup> Dec. from 2-5pm. The fair will be opened by our special guest John "The Bull" Hayes. There will be 35 stalls with a variety of arts, crafts & locally produced goods, a visit from Santa Claus, fun activities & the turning on of the Christmas lights. Anyone interested in exhibiting please contact the school office on (061) 380388. Cost per stand is €10. All are welcome.

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

**Doon Study Hub:** Open every Tue., Wed., and Thur. For times & prices please see our Facebook page or contact s via email [doonstudyhub@gmail.com](mailto:doonstudyhub@gmail.com). We are also open every Sat. 10am to 2pm.

**Doon Community Council:** Senior Citizens Christmas Party takes place today Sun. 10<sup>th</sup> @ 1pm.

**Doon CBS:** the boys will be carol singing before all Masses next weekend 16<sup>th</sup>/17<sup>th</sup> Dec. All proceeds will go to the Doon Lourdes Fund, many thanks for all your support.

**Rosary for life & Protection:** of unborn Sundays during advent at 5pm in Parish Church.

**Gift Vouchers:** now available for pilgrimage to Medjugorje on 5<sup>th</sup> Sept. 2018. If interested contact John O'Brien (086) 8586304.

**Bleisce:** Doon Parish Journal will be on sale next weekend, an ideal gift. Thanks to all who helped with its publication.

**Bilboa National School:** together with the parents, staff & pupils would like to thank you for your generous support for our recent Christmas Fair. We would also like to thank all the local businesses for their continued support of our yearly fundraiser. It was a great success all proceeds go to the development of our wonderful school.

**Annual St. Vincent de Paul Collection:** will be taken up after all Masses this weekend. We may not see homeless people on the streets in Doon but people in our own community are experiencing hardship especially at this time of year. Your assistance helps to provide food & fuel to those in need. Your donations are very welcome. Our phone number is (087) 1459024.

**Doon Oola Golf Society:** final outing of the year takes place on Sat. 16<sup>th</sup> Dec. in Tipperary Golf Club. Tee time 11:30-12:30, draw at 11:10. Golf & dinner €25, all welcome.

**Wren walk for Chernobyl:** takes place on St Stephen's Day from the Pastoral Centre at 1pm through Kilmoylan Woods. Refreshments served afterwards. Your support as always is greatly appreciated & all monies raised will go directly to our "Home of Hope"

**Doon GAA:** Lotto No's drawn 2-6-9-17, no winner. Next week's jackpot is €2,200. **AGM:** will take place this afternoon, Sun. 10<sup>th</sup> at 4pm in the Clubhouse. **Limerick Club GAA Season Ticket:** anyone interested in purchasing a ticket €100 please contact Jack O'Connell (086) 0749277 before 15<sup>th</sup> Dec.