



St. Patrick's Parish, Doon-11th June 2017

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Dear Parishioner, Trinity Sunday-God in today's Gospel is described to us as one that is very close, as one that loves the world so deeply that he was willing to give everything to it. It is hard to comprehend these statements. Why would someone love in such a way? Why would someone sacrifice in such a way? John's Gospel today tells us that it is because we are loved so deeply and so that we would come to know this love which brings life. It is not a one-off event; it is continuous and ongoing in each of our lives. Neither is it to make us feel guilty; we are told that this outpouring of God's love is not to condemn us in any way. This giving from the Father is so that we might be free from our own brokenness, that we might know how infinitely loved we are and so live a life that is full and everlasting. God rescues us from our own brokenness and offers a life that is a fuller and deeper experience.

Trinity Sunday invites us to reflect on the impossible; on the utterly mysterious. Yet we can know something of what it means to experience God's love in our lives; to have a deep relationship with Jesus Christ and to feel God's Spirit dwelling within ourselves. We can experience that same Spirit in each person that we meet, that Spirit of God indwelling in all of creation. The Trinity speaks to us of relationship, community, of fully giving and receiving. 'God has fallen in love with us – quite literally. God has come down to earth, and opened God self to all the raw brutality, as well as the warm tenderness, of human life.'

Offertory Collection: last Sunday's collection was €905-many thanks. Sr. Leonie who spoke to us last weekend & took up a collection for the work of the Franciscan Missionary Sisters of Africa thank you for generously contributing €1,154.

Wedding Bells: Congratulations to Elaine Ryan & Thomas Maher who were married in Doon on the 10th June. We wish them blessings for their future together as husband & wife.

Readers & Eucharistic Ministers: for 17th/18th June:

Readers:		Eucharistic Ministers:	
6:30pm	Ted Riordan	John Favier/Paudie Sweeney	
9:30am	Mary Lysaght	Catherine Crowe/Mary MacLeod	
11am	Orla Kennedy	Patricia Murphy/Pauline Reale	
Anniversaries: 10 th /11 th June:		17 th /18 th June:	
6:30pm	Michael & Nonie Clancy, Hillview Grove.	Jimmy, Joe, Bill, Tom & Mick Griffin and their parents.	
	-	Sr. Mary Annunciata.	
9:30am	James Ryan (Frank), Gurtavalla.	Bridie & Dan Hayes, Edward McGuinness & Emma Whelan.	
11am	Margaret (Peg) O'Brien, Carrigbeg.		

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.

Masses this coming week & next week: Please note that there will be NO Mass on the following dates: Fri. 16th, Mon. 19th, Tue. 20th, Wed. 21st. Mass on Fri. 23rd June @ 9:30am.

Dún Bleisce Tidy Towns: continue to meet every Wed. @ 7pm at the Church gates until Mid July. Annual Church Gate Collection at all Masses next weekend 17th/18th June. Your support is much appreciated.

The Sweeney Family: on their behalf and on behalf of Fr. Johnny wish to thank Mary Ryan & Sliabh Feilim singers, their guests & Bilboa N.S pupils for their generous proceeds of their Summer concert in Abington on Sun. 31st May which amounted to €1,990. We really appreciate all who took part, who donated & who attended it.

Archdiocese Annual Lourdes Pilgrimage 16-21 June 2017: If anyone would like to send a petition to Lourdes please drop it in to Fr. Jimmy before next Thursday.

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

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

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

Leaving & Junior Cert exams: Best wishes to all who continue exams next week. May you be rewarded for your work to date.

Pioneer Pilgrimage to Knock: Sun. 16th 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.

Doon CBS - Leader Cup: Doon CBS play Ballybrown NS in the semi-final of the Leader Cup on Wed. 14th June at 12:30 pm at Neville Park, Rathkeale.

New Community Website & app: a public meeting to launch www.urhub.ie in Doon will take place on Wed. 21st June @ 8:30pm in Doon Community Centre. All are invited to attend to get an overview of the free website & App & how it can help to connect Doon community with news, events, business & part time work. Contact Bernard (087) 3553399 or doon.limerick@urhub.ie if you have any questions.

Doon Convent Re-Development Group: After the General Public Meeting the group met to further discuss the suggestions put forward. The top 6 suggestions can be included along with plans for the Social Farm Project which are progressing well under the existing working group along with Ballyhoura Rural Services. Members of the Redevelopment Group will connect with those who have some knowledge and expertise in specific areas as outlined in the suggestions.

Doon GAA: Lotto: Mon. 5th June, no's drawn 4-13-17-23, no winner. Next week's draw will be held in Moore's Bar with a jackpot of €15,000. Fixtures & Results: will be sent out by text -for weekday & weekend fixtures each week. If you would like to receive these texts please text your name to (087) 7818652. **Doon/Oola GAA Golf Society:** Captains Prize Results: 1st Tom J. Ryan, 2nd Ger McNamara, 3rd Fr. Jimmy Donnelly.

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