



St. Patrick's Parish, Doon— 14th August 2016

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Dear Parishioner,

In the Gospel Our Lord is reminding us that if we are to be his followers we must have the courage of our convictions because his message is bound to provoke opposition. It is true that in the workplace, in an organisation or in a school there can be a dominant person or group who intimidate others for their own benefit. To stand up for what we know to be right even at a risk of offending people is a line of action that requires wisdom, courage and sensitivity. One needs patience and perception. It above all calls for the Spirit of God in our hearts.

On Monday, August 15th we celebrate the Assumption of our Lady. It is a feast to celebrate God's grace in Mary. Elizabeth recognised three blessings in Mary: blessed in being chosen among all others; blessed in her witness for others; and blessed in her personal response of faith. It is a feast to celebrate the glorious destiny of the church. It is a feast to celebrate the destiny of the human body, temple and the spirit and an expression of God's glory. Belief in Mary's Assumption goes back to very early times in the church. It was something that was taught and believed for centuries. Then in 1950, Pope Pius XI solemnly declared it to be an article of complete faith. He declared that at the end of her earthly life, Mary was taken up body and soul into heaven. She is our spiritual mother in heaven caring for us, praying for us assuring us that what God has started in Mary, He means to continue in us. Mass on Monday which is a Holy Day at 9:30am, 11am and 7:30pm.

Leaving Cert results will be out this week. Some of our young parishioners will be very happy and excited with the points received and some may feel a little disappointed perhaps. What must be remembered is that exam results do not define us. Exam results measure how well we worked at school, they do not measure how intuitive we are, how energetic we might be, how kind we are, how practical or how entrepreneurial we might be. A time to take stock and to know what we are about.

Monday August 15th: *The Assumption of Our Lady* - basket collection goes to **Trocaire**.

Cemetery Mass: in Castletown Graveyard on Thursday 18th August @ 7pm sharp by kind permission of Sean & Helen Allis. All welcome.

Readers & Eucharistic Ministers: 20th/21st August:

Readers:

6:30pm Mary Hayes

9:30am Marie Duggan

11am Catherine Tierney

Eucharistic Ministers:

Joan Hogan/Mary Hayes

Margaret Loughman/Marie Ryan

Marian Murphy/Noreen O'Dwyer

Anniversaries:

13th/14th August:

6:30pm Breda Ryan, Liscaugh (4th Anniv)

9:30am Mick Buckley, Glengar

11am John & Mary Ryan, Glengar

20th/21st August:

Paul Maher, Toher Road

William Lonergan, Lacka, Josephine & Margaret Lonergan

9:30am **Monday 15th August** Mary Madden, Gurtavalla.

Lost & Found: A camera was found in the vicinity of the church last weekend. Owner may call to Sacristy.

Altar Servers: As a new schedule will not be drawn up until September, all who have served Mass are invited to continue assisting. If available please call to the Sacristy 10 minutes before Mass. Saturday Evening for 6:30pm Mass, Sunday 9:30am and 11am mass. Many Thanks.

National Novena to Our Lady of Knock: takes place from the 14th – 22nd August. The theme for this year is *'Merciful like the Father'*. See posters for more details.

Milford Care Centre: Annual Harvest Fair this Sunday 14th August at UL.

Cliona's Foundation 9th Annual Cycle: will take place on Sat 27th August at Bruff Rugby Club. There are three routes 90k (over 18's) 40k and 10k. Registration from 8:30am – adults €20 children €5 or family €30 or online at www.eventmaster.ie. Inquiries to Trevor 086 8276381 or Brendan 087 2518949.

Doon GAA: Lotto: Mon. 18th no's drawn 4-13-27-28, no winner. Next week's draw will be held in The Local Bar with a jackpot of €6,400. **Fixtures:** Junior A East Championship Semi-Final Doon v Ballybricken on Sunday 14th August @ 7pm in Caherconlish (part of a double header Caherline v Kiltelly @ 5:30pm). **Results: Senior League** Doon 2:13 Kilmallock 3:15. **East Junior B Championship** Doon 0:03 Pallasgreen 3:16. For more detailed results and information check out Doon GAA Facebook page or website. **Best Wishes** to Kevin Maher who is playing in Croagh Park this Sunday 14th August in the mini games at half time in the All Ireland hurling semi-final between Tipperary and Galway.

