

St. Patrick's Parish, Doon- 15th October 2017

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Dear Parishioner, In the parable of the wedding feast, Jesus offers an image of the kingdom of heaven using the symbol of a wedding banquet. In today's first reading from the prophet Isaiah and in today's psalm, the Lord's goodness is evident in the symbol of a feast of good food and wine. Jesus' listeners would have been familiar with the image of a wedding feast as a symbol for God's salvation. They would consider themselves to be the invited guests. Keeping this in mind helps us to understand the critique Jesus makes with this parable. The context for this parable is the growing tension between Jesus and the Jewish religious leaders in Jerusalem. This has been the case for the past two Sundays and will continue to be true for the next several weeks. Jesus' message in the parable cautions against exclusive beliefs about the kingdom of heaven. The parable also teaches about humility. Those who assume that they are the invited guests may find that they have refused the invitation, and so others are invited in their place. To accept the invitation is also to accept its obligations. God wants our full conversion in complete acceptance of his mercy.

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

Readers & Eucharistic Ministers: for 21st/22nd October:

| | Readers: | Eucharistic Ministers: |
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| 6:30pm | Diarmaid O'Cuimín | Bridie Stapleton/Mary Ryan |
| 9:30am | Mary Lysaght | Donal Anderson/Peg McLoughlin |
| 11am | Therese & Anna O'Dea | Patricia Murphy/Pauline Reale |
| Anniversaries: 14 th /15 th Oct: | | 21 st /22 nd Oct: |
| 6:30pm | - | Norie Dilger, Cooga-1st Anniv, |
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| 9:30am | - | - |
| 11am | - | Deceased members of Tipperary Credit Union |
| | | Doon Branch. |

Please Note: While Fr. Jimmy is away Fr. Dick Browne, Cappamore will cover emergency calls. His number is 381288. Mass for the coming week will be **Wed. morning only** @ 9:30am.

Recently Deceased: Bridget Ryan, Toomaline & Dublin who was laid to rest in Doon on Sat. 14th Oct. May she rest in peace. Sympathy to the bereaved.

Baptism: We welcome into our Christian community Abbie Rose Stapleton & Harry Gerard Stapleton, who where baptised last Sunday. Congratulations to their parents David & Morita and the extended family

October: the month of the rosary, rosary each Sunday evening at 6pm at grotto all welcome

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

Our Lady of Fatima Centenary Celebrations: 13th May 1917- 13th May 2017: To celebrate the centenary the Holy Rosary will be recited in the Church on the 13th day of each month from May until

October at 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.

Doon Defibrillators: a meeting will be held on Mon. 16th Oct. @ 8:30pm in Doon Community Centre, to discuss access to the defibrillators. We will also review the call out service, the phone rota & training options. New people are particularly welcome.

Anam Cara: the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding its next monthly Parent Evening on Mon. 16th October from 7:30pm-9pm in the Horse & Jockey, Thurles. his event is open to all bereaved parents regardless of age your child died, the circumstances of death, or whether it was recent or not.

The Joy of Love in Marriage: a Marriage Encounter Weekend offers married couples (of all age ranges) private time to rediscover the joy of their love. The next residential Weekend will be $17^{th} - 19^{th}$ Nov. 2017 at The Lake Hotel, Killarney. For information call (064) 6644319.

Clare's Wish Foundation: MC For our Fashion Style & Beauty event will be Hilary Thompson form HT Modelling Agency Limerick. There will be plenty of stalls to talk to at our Coffee Morning from fashion, style & Beauty stores from Limerick. LCCR Radio are very kindly holding a live broadcast also from the O'Brien's room during our morning's entertainment. This will take place in Kilmurray Lodge Hotel on Thur. 26th Oct. from 10am-12 noon.

The CJ Kickham Brass and Reed Band: Tipperary Town are holding an open night on Tue. 24th Oct. @ 7pm. If you have an interest in music or want to learn an instrument then maybe the Kickham band is for you. Any queries contact Eleanor (086)3732610/Cathy (085)1046959 or <u>Kickhamband@gmail.com</u>

Epilepsy Ireland: will hold their annual Church gate collection at all Masses next weekend.

Social Dancing Classes: every Wed. night in Doon Community Centre @ 8:30pm, all are welcome

Doon Parish Journal: In order to have the 26th edition of 'Bleisce' on sale in early December, all material-club reports, articles, tributes & photographs **must be submitted** by 31st Oct. They can be given to Donal Anderson or Peggy Sweeney or emailed to <u>doonparishjournal@hotmail.com</u>. Submissions are included at the discretion of the committee & may be edited

Doon Vintage Club: after a very successful year, the following funds have been distributed: Pieta House €750, Irish Cancer Research €750, Doon Community Centre €1,000, Sunflowers Crèche €500, MS Parachute Jump €250, Doon Forge Restoration €1,000. Thanks to all who supported us during the year.

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

Doon Community Council: will hold a Halloween Spooky Walk for children on Sun. 28th Oct. Starting at the GAA clubhouse @ 5:30om, followed by disco in hall from 6-7:30pm. All welcome.

Doon GAA: Lotto No's drawn 2-12-17-21, no winner. Next week's jackpot is €4,800. **Fixtures & Results:** will be sent out by text for all fixtures each week, text your name to (087) 7818652 if you would like to receive same. Doon GAA will hold a cake sale on the weekend of Sat. 28th Oct. This is in aid of upgrading the defibrillator equipment in the GAA Grounds. Please support as its for a fantastic cause. For more information contact Mary O'Brien on (087) 0616661. **Doon Gear:** anyone looking to buy O'Neills gear can do so on www.oneills.com then goto GAA Club-Ireland-Doon GAA, Co. Limerick is on Page 7. If anyone would like club jerseys-please contact Patricia Murphy (086) 8338898 (order been sent on Fri. 27th Oct.)