



St. Patrick's Parish, Doon—16th April 2017

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Dear Parishioner, Easter is a Verb. Christians are Easter people. What that means to me is that we are dynamic: always growing, changing, moving, and engaging. Even those of us who cannot be 'in motion' physically – because of necessary employment, family responsibilities or health issues – can experience the interior 'movements' of the soul. Every day the Risen Christ invites us to move, to allow the breaking open that happens in a heart that is open to God and to all that divine love brings to us. We sense the inner movement, we listen to the voice of the Spirit, we pay attention to even fleeting emotions and responses that can be, in God's hands, tools for our ongoing creation.' (Vinita Hampton Wright, from her blog 'Days of Deepening Friendship')

Neither Peter nor John come to believe in the Resurrection without enduring confusion and uncertainty. But out of the confusion comes clarity. The empty tomb can only mean that Jesus is truly alive – raised and transformed by the Father. If Jesus is truly risen, then so are we. As we were one with him in his suffering, so are we now one with him in his risen joy. Alleluia! I take this opportunity to say a big thank you to all who participated in and attended the Holy Week Ceremonies and I wish all Doon people wherever you are a Blessed Easter.

Offertory Collection: Last Sunday's collection was €1,040-many thanks. Please return Trocaire boxes & if possible please convert coin to notes.

Readers & Eucharistic Ministers: for 22nd/23rd April

	Readers:	Eucharistic Ministers:
6:30pm	Nora Ryan	Paud Sweeney/Denise Buckley
9:30am	Orla Treacy	Margaret Loughman/Marie Ryan
11am	Emma Kennedy	Nora Treacy/Anita Sweeney

Altar Servers:

6:30pm	James Collins, Bonnie Rose Crowe, Ciaran Hynes, Jamie Cahill.
11am	Sean Og Blackmore, Aoibheann Flint, Cathal & Sean Sweeney, Chloe Ryan

Anniversaries: 15th/16th April:

6:30pm -	
9:30am	Nelly & Billy Cummins, Coolnamona.
11am	Richard & Margaret Connolly-Kilkenny. Chrissie O'Meara, Toomaline-Anniv.

23rd/24th April:

	Nelly Duggan & Bidy Treacy, Cooga & Laura Dillon & Bridie & Andrew Forrest, Gurtavalla.
	Norman Beresford & Margaret Dunne. William & Nora Mai Barry, Clonlusk.
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	Noreen, Daniel & Mary Morrissey & Teresa Kennedy.

Masses for the coming week 16-22nd April: No Mass on Mon., Tue. or Wed. Mass on Fri. 21st at 9.30. Adoration on Wed. from 10am to 10pm.

Recently deceased: Kathleen Reilly nee Ryan Con, Ballygar Co. Galway & formerly Doon whose funeral took place during the week. Sympathy to the bereaved. May she rest in peace.

Eucharistic Adoration: Every Wednesday from 10am to 10pm. As a Lenten observance it may well be an opportunity for you to spend some time in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament. Please contact any member of the adoration group for more information.

Archdiocese of Cashel & Emly: Pilgrimage to Lourdes takes place 16th-21st June. Fully inclusive Price €699. For more information contact Joe Walsh Tours, Dublin, Tel. (01) 2410811. Pilgrimage Director: Rev. Jimmy Donnelly, Doon (061) 380165.

Doon ICA: Meeting on Thur. 20th April at 8pm in Doon Community Centre.

Social Dancing: continues every Wed. night in Doon Community Centre @ 8pm. All welcome.

The Team Limerick Clean Up: thanks to everyone who helped on Good Fri. with the clean up.

Doon Friends of Lourdes: would like to thank everyone who supported our recent Church Gate collection, amount collected was €610 - thank you for your generosity.

Doon Historical Society: A plaque will be unveiled at the Garda Baracks (Old RIC Barracks) today-Easter Sun. @ 12 noon.

Doon Community Council: are holding their annual monster table quiz in all five pubs, on Fri. 5th May, starting at 9:30pm. Table of 4 €20 per table.

Doon Community Text Alert: payment is now due. If you wish to continue receiving these important texts-the cost for annual subscription is €10 and can be paid at Doon Post Office.

Doon GAA: Lotto: Mon. 10th April no's drawn 20-22-25-26, no winner. Next week's draw will be held in The Local Bar with a jackpot of €13,400. **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. Alternatively you can search for Doon GAA on TeamApp where you can also receive these alerts. **Membership:** can be paid to registrar Patricia Murphy. **Club Limerick Draw:** Top prize €10,000 each month. Please support Doon GAA & Limerick GAA. Cost: €100 for the year. Contact Donal Anderson (086) 8421747 for more details.

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