



St. Patrick's Parish, Doon– 21st August 2016

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Dear Parishioner, As I write to you on this newsletter for the last time, I thank you for all your prayers and support during my 12 years with you. We have experienced together happy times and sad times, challenging occasions and defining moments. For all I am grateful and indebted to you. And I am sorry if I offended anyone and I apologise sincerely as I ask your forgiveness. Our Lord is our guide – Our way, our truth and our life who walks with us and leads us to our eternal salvation. We thank him for our faith and we pray that we will, through living that same faith, hand it on to the young generation with conviction and trusting that they will appreciate and grow in the love of Our Lord. I welcome your new Parish Priest Fr. Jimmy Donnelly and wish him every blessing. You will always be welcome to call to my new home in the parish of Upperchurch-Drombane after I settle in. God bless you all and thank you.

Congratulations to all our young people who received their leaving cert exam results during the week. As always every year, some were so happy and excited with the points attained and some a little disappointed. Never forget that exam results do not define any person. The results measure how well you worked at school, they don't measure how intuitive you are, how energetic you might be, how kind, how generous and caring you are or how practical and entrepreneurial you might be. These are the qualities that define a person. As you take stock, look ahead with ambition and be grateful for all you have received and achieved, and remember the leaving cert is just one step – albeit an important one on the journey of life.

Thanks to all who assisted at Castletown Graveyard on Thur. 18th August and especially to Sean and Helen Allis for their assistance and co-operation.

Thanks to Mary Kate Ryan for sharing with us last weekend on her summer work with the poor people in the Philippines.

Offertory Collection: last Sunday €946, Trocaire collection €520. Many thanks to all who gave so generously.

Readers & Eucharistic Ministers: 27th/28th Aug.:

Readers:

6:30pm Sean Maher

9:30am Pakie O'Brien

11am Emma Kennedy

Eucharistic Ministers:

Majella Moloney/Emma McGrath

Catherine Crowe/Mary MacLeod

Patricia Murphy Pauline Reale

Anniversaries/Months Mind:

20th/21st Aug.:

6:30pm Paul Maher, Toher Road.

9:30am -

11am William, Josephine & Margaret
Longeran, Lacka.

27th/28th Aug.:

John O'Donoghue, Toomaline &
Deceased family members.

Alice O'Malley, Glengar & deceased
Family members.

Paddy Shanahan, Foildearg.

Always wanted to volunteer overseas? Looking for a course about global social injustice? Learn more at the Viatores Christi (VC) – Information and recruitment session on Sat. 27th Aug. @ 2:30pm in the Limerick Education Centre, Marshal House, Door Doyle Road, Limerick or tel. (01) 8689986 or apply@viatoreschristi.com. All welcome.

Irish Heart Foundation: thank you sincerely for your contribution of €371.75 at recent church gate collection.

Cappamore Historical Society: will host a lecture on Ned Daly of Limerick who fought in The Four Courts in 1916 and was executed for his part in the Rising, by Liam Erwin, former history lecturer in Mary Immaculate Limerick on Mon. 22nd Aug. in Cappamore Community Centre @ 7:30pm. On Tue. 23rd the society will unveil a hand forged sculpture to commemorate the 1916 rising, at the library @ 7:30pm.

LCFE Cappamore: are now enrolling for full time PLC, QQI Level 5 courses in childcare, healthcare, nursing studies, animal care, construction, business & blacksmith. Apply online at www.lcfe.ie or contact (061) 381272 for further details.

Doon Secondary School Reunion: did you attend Doon secondary school between 1981-1986??? If so why not join the 30 year anniversary celebrations on the 17th Sept. in Ballykisteen Hotel. Tickets just €27 which includes food & classic 80's music to text out those old dance moves. Book your tickets before Sun. 28th Aug. Contact (087) 9812413 or (086) 8743032 or email doonclassof86reunion@eircom.net

Doon Community Alert: will hold a church gate collection this weekend. All monies collected will go to the erection of community alert signs in & around the parish. All support will be greatly appreciated.

Doon GAA: Lotto: Mon. 15th no's drawn 3-13-16-26, no winner. Next week's draw will be held in Kelly's Bar with a jackpot of 6,600. **Fixtures:** Senior C/Ship Doon v Ballybrown on Sun. 21st Aug. in Kilmallock @ 6:45pm. **Results:** Junior A East C/Ship Semi-Final Doon 0-15 Ballybricken 2-14. U16 C/Ship Doon 3-18 Pdraig Pearces 2-12. U14 C/Ship Doon 3-9 Ahane 2-4. Minor C/Ship Doon 0-12 Na Piarasigh 1-09.