



St. Patrick's Parish, Doon—22nd January 2017

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Dear Parishioner, This Sunday's Gospel has three distinct parts to it. The first is that Jesus is the light of the world and the fulfillment of Hebrew Testament prophecies. The second is a call to total conversion to live in the light of Christ; and the third explores early responses to this call. Jesus called his disciples around him in the same way as he calls us into community today. We are not isolated units of faith. Together we are stronger. Jesus is not asking us to fit God's love into our lives but rather to fit ourselves into God's vision of life. In doing this, we are responding to Jesus and his invitation to follow him in a very real and authentic way. This weekend our children from 2nd class in our schools will have their enrolment ceremony as part of their preparation for reception of the sacraments of confession and Eucharist.

As a faith community we will remember them their parents and teachers in our prayers over the coming months. It is an opportunity for all of us to reflect on our own calling as Baptised followers of Jesus and how well are we living up to our baptismal promises. Loving Jesus, we ask you to continue to call us especially when we are weak and lukewarm in our response to your love.

Offertory Collection: Last Sunday's collection was €970, many thanks.

Readers & Eucharistic Ministers: 28th/29th Jan:

Readers:

6:30pm Sean Maher
9:30am Orla Treacy
11am Mary Kate Ryan

Eucharistic Ministers:

John Favier/Madge Quigley
Nora Coffey/Margaret Crowe
Nora Treacy/Anita Sweeney

Altar Servers:

6:30pm Sean Ryan, Tommy Ryan, Niamh Kelly, Shauna Ronan
11am Martin Maher, Isabelle Maher Roisin Doyle, Conor Kennedy

New Rota for Readers & Eucharistic Ministers: will be drawn up over the next few weeks. If any changes please contact Patricia Murphy (086) 8338898 ASAP.

Anniversaries/Months Mind:

21st/22nd Jan:

6:30pm Rita & Matt Ryan, Reenavanna.
Bridie Hewitt, Carnahalla.

28th/29th Jan:

Mary McGrath, Gurtavalla.

9:30am -

John P. Hayes

11am Phyllis Brosnan & parents Patrick &
Mary Danaher, Reenavanna.

Denis, Annie & Margaret Reale, Glengar
James Brennan, Tullaroan.

Cake Sale: The parents council of CBS Primary school are having their annual fundraiser this weekend, before & after all Masses. Your support would be much appreciated.

East Limerick Red Cross: will hold an information night & registration for a practical & Defib first aid course in the Doon Office, Main Street from 8 to 8:30pm on Mon. 23rd Jan.

Dun Bleisce Historical Society: Annual Table Quiz recently held in Moores in aid of the Kenya Education Fund raised €721. 16 teams were in attendance. Many thanks to all who supported the night and to those who sponsored the raffle. The money will be used as an education bursary for a Kenyan girl in the diocese of Lodwar, administered by local man, Tony Woods, who has been working there as a lay missionary for over 50 years.

Archdiocese of Cashel & Emly: Pilgrimage to Lourdes takes place 16th-21st June. Fully inclusive Price €699. Booking forms available from: Joe Walsh Tours 143 Lower Baggott St. Dublin, Tel. (01) 2410811. Pilgrimage Director: Rev. Jimmy Donnelly, The Parochial House, Church Street, Doon, Co. Limerick (061) 380165, application forms available for Assisted Pilgrim Section from the 14th Feb. Enquiries for this section: Rev. Joe Tynan, The Parochial House, Kiltteely, Co. Limerick (061) 384213

LEADER Programme: commences in the Ballyhoura Development Area and will hold project clinics & a public information session on the supports available to encourage further investment in local communities throughout Jan. & Feb. They will be open to anyone with a project idea. Clinics will be held on Tue. afternoons from 2-5pm commencing 17th Jan. & running on a weekly basis to Feb. 28th in the Ballyhoura Cappamore Office. A Public Information Session will also take place at the Millennium Centre Caherconlish on Thur. 26th Jan. from 7:30 pm. To book a place for Clinics and the Public Information Session call the Ballyhoura Cappamore Office on (061) 381174 or email Cappamore@ballyhoura.org

JS Fitness Classes: take place in Doon Community Centre on Tue. @ 6:30pm Beginners Fitness Class, 7:30pm Insanity. Wed. @ 9:30am Bums & Tums. Thur. @ 6:30pm Beginners Fitness Class, 7:30pm Insanity. Fri. @ 9:30am Bums & Tums. Sat. @ 6pm Cardio-Strength-Core. All classes €5.

Come & See: A Chance to reflect, think, chat & hopefully help answer that "Call to Priesthood" question.....taking place on Fri. 17th & Sat. 18th Feb. in Pallottine College in Thurles. Advance booking is required. Contact Fr. Joe Walsh, Templemore (087) 7714888.

Dún Bleisce Tidy Towns: will hold their annual general meeting on Mon. 30th Jan. in Doon Community Centre at 8pm. All welcome especially new members.

Doon GAA: Lotto: Mon. 16th Jan 2017 no's drawn 4-12-18-22, no winner. Next-week's draw will be held in Moore's Bar with a jackpot of €11,000. **National Draw Tickets:** are currently being sold by members at €10 each, all proceeds from the draw are retained by the club. **Membership:** can be paid to registrar Patricia Murphy. All club related activity can be found on <https://sites.google.com/view/doongaa/home>. We are delighted to announce that Oisín McConville will deliver a very informative talk on Gambling in the GAA on Thur. 23rd Feb. @ 8 pm in Doon Community Centre. Entry is free & is open to everyone: parents, coaches, mentors, players & we would encourage as many of you as possible to attend. Please confirm attendance to Doon GAA PRO @ (061) 574876 or pro.doon.limerick@gaa.ie as places may be limited. Scór na nÓg Tráth na gCeist will take place on Fri. 27th Jan. in Claughaun GAA Clubhouse @ 7:30pm. Age limit is U17. Winners will go forward to represent Limerick in the All-Ireland final. If anyone is interested in representing Doon GAA Club at this event can they please get in touch with Francis Cummins (061) 574876 ASAP or email pro.doon.limerick@gaa.ie.