



St. Patrick's Parish, Doon—23rd July 2017

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Dear Parishioner,

Today's Gospel tells us about our faith in God. Our faith needs to be 'actioned' in our lives. This means that faith is relational and communal. We have a personal relationship with God and this relationship is made holy through prayer and developing our spirituality. However, our faith cannot be private; it must be 'actioned' in our lives. Therefore, we show our faith to others when we pray and celebrate at Mass but also when we are blessed and broken during any day of the week. When we offer a listening ear, when we share, when we show care and compassion, in fact each and every time we do a selfless task in the name of faith, we are sharing our faith with others. Jesus explains that no matter how small our faith-in-action may seem, when we work to allow our faith to guide and direct us, it will grow and blossom for all of our lives. Again Jesus urges us to 'listen'! The kingdom of God is close at hand and we are being invited wholeheartedly to enter into it. If we do not listen and decide to ignore the Good News of God, we are excluding ourselves from the beauty and wonder of a joyous loving relationship with God that can guide and direct our daily lives.

Offertory Collection: Last Sunday's collection was €935.00. Your generosity is much appreciated.

Readers & Eucharistic Ministers: 29th/30th July:

Readers:

6:30pm Patricia Collins

9:30am Mary Lysaght

11am Catherine Tierney

Eucharistic Ministers:

Joan Hogan/Mary Hayes

Margaret Loughman/Marie Ryan

Patricia Murphy/Pauline Reale

Altar Servers: 29th/30th July:

6:30pm James Collins, Ciara and Caitlin O Grady, Oran Ryan, Dylan Byrne

11am Aoibhinn Flint, Chloe Ryan, Cathal and Sean Sweeney.

Anniversaries: 22nd/23rd July:

6:30pm Nora & Paddy Treacy, Gortavalla & deceased family members.

Biddy Maher, Coolnamona.

John & Bridget McLoughlin & their daughter

Nonie Hickey, Foilaclera.

9:30am

11am Jack McDonnell, Carrigmore. 4th Anniversary.

Christy Windle, formerly The Forts. 5th Anniversary.

29th/30th July:

JJ Buckley, Bakery, Main St.

Recently Deceased: Pray for the repose of the soul of Josephine McCarthy, Meanus whose funeral took place during the week. Sister of Mella McCarthy, Coonagh Court.

Baptism: We welcome into our Christian community Odhran Fitzgerald, Gurtavalla who was baptised last Saturday. Congratulations to his parents Aidan & Mandy and his family

If anyone is housebound, in hospital or nursing home please let Fr Jimmy know if they would like a visit

Cemetery Mass: The annual cemetery Mass will be celebrated on this Friday evening 28th July @ 7:30pm. Please let family and friends know.

Eucharistic Adoration: Every Wednesday from 10.00am to 10.00pm. Please take a leaflet and commit some time. If you cannot fulfill your allotted time for some reason subs are available to take your place. Please contact any member of the adoration group for more information.

Amoris: Let's talk family! Let's be family!: You are cordially invited to an exciting and interactive journey of reflection on love, marriage and family which will run locally in every diocese in Ireland in September 2017 and is also available online. Visit www.worldmeeting2018.ie/amoris

Volunteer Now: Would you or could you volunteer to help when Pope Francis visits our country from 21 – 26 August 2018 for the World Meeting of Families. Information leaflet available as you leave the church or lookup www.worldmeeting2018.ie/volunteer

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 @ 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.

School Reunion: Did you do your Leaving Cert in Doon CBS or Doon Convent of Mercy in 1987? If you did, your reunion is on **Saturday 23rd September, 2017** @ the GN Ballykisteen Golf Hotel. Further information and tickets available from doon1987reunion@gmail.com or on our Facebook page Doon 1987 Reunion.

Lough Derg 2017: You may begin the 3 Day Pilgrimage on any day up to and including Sun. 13th August. Advance booking is not necessary. There are various travel options available countrywide. The Lough Derg team can help you to co-ordinate public transport or link up with Pilgrimage Organisers in your locality. Call Maureen or Lorraine on (071) 9851518, email: info@loughderg.org www.loughderg.org

Doon Historical Society: Annual Summer Outing on the 9th August to Kilkenny, taking in Kilkenny Design Centre, Kilkenny Castle, St. Canice's, Road Train etc. Please confirm booking to 087 2347072

Doon Community Council: are hosting a **Cake Sale and Tea/Coffee Morning** in Jocko's Bar next Sunday 30th July from 9.30am onwards. Any donations of baked goods/cakes/buns/bread/vegetables/timber/turf etc., would be most welcome and can be left at Jocko's Bar between 7-8pm Saturday the 29th or anytime from 9.30am on Sunday. Phone (085)144 3470 for more details.

Limerick Dragons Pop Up Shop & Gala Fair: Limerick Dragons (Breast Cancer Survivor Group) with a difference. We Paddle! On Dragon Boats! We are holding a one day sale of pre loved items, ladies, men's and children's clothing at the Clayton Hotel, Steamboat Quay, Limerick this Sunday July 23rd between 11am - 6pm. Support very much appreciated.

Doon GAA: Lotto: Mon. 17th July. no's drawn 4-10-15-25, no winner. Next week's draw will be held in Whelan's Bar with a jackpot of €2,400. **Best of Luck:** to Barry Murphy and Eoghan McNamara who will represent Limerick in the U21 Munster Final in the Gaelic Grounds this Wednesday night @ 7:30 pm against Cork

PLEASE NOTE: Notes for Newsletter - To guarantee inclusion in newsletter, notes to be emailed or dropped to Fr Jimmy by 6pm Wednesday Evening. *If you would like to receive a copy of the weekly newsletter by email, please send your email address to: doonparishnewsletter@eircom.net*