



St. Patrick's Parish, Doon- 27th October 2019

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Dear Parishioner,

After the Second World War, a Greek man named Alexander Papaderous founded an Institute of Peace and Understanding on the island of Crete, as a response to the atrocities that had taken place there during the war. One day, while taking questions at the end of a lecture, someone asked him 'What is the meaning of life?' In response, Papaderous took a small mirror out his wallet, and said: 'I am a fragment of a mirror whose whole design and shape I do not know. Nevertheless, with what I have I can reflect light into the dark places of this world – into the black places in the hearts of men and women – and change some things in some people. Perhaps others may see and do likewise. This is what I'm about. This is the meaning of my life.' Papaderous was a person of great humility, aware of how small and seemingly insignificant each one of us is, but full of faith that we can still do great things. Like the tax collector in the parable we hear today, he was aware of his unworthiness, but open to light and hope. In today's Gospel we are invited to put ourselves in the shoes of the Pharisee, who regarded himself as superior to others, and the tax collector, who throws himself on the mercy of God. Which of them sees the bigger picture?

Readers & Eucharistic Ministers: 2nd & 3rd Nov:

Readers:

6:30pm Peggy Sweeney

9:30am Mary Lysaght

11am Emma Kennedy

Eucharistic Ministers:

Joan Hogan/Mary Hayes

Eilín Uí Chuimín/Nora Coffey

John O'Brien

Anniversaries: 26th & 27th Oct:

2nd & 3rd Nov:

Friday 1st Nov Feast of All Saints 7:30pm

Month's Mind Mass for Mikey Joe Maher

Thady Ryan Smith 2nd Anniversary

Annie & Thomas McLoughlin & Grandson

Shane & Tommy McLoughlin, Hillview Grove

Months Mind

6:30pm For the people of the parish

9:30am Ned Power, Moanduff

11am For the people of the parish

For the Holy Souls

Bridget & Johnny Ryan, Cooga & Jeremiah

Ryan, Reenavanna

John & Joan Hayes, Toomaline

RECENTLY DECEASED: Anne O' Neill Knockane, Cappawhite sister of Nora Ryan Smith, Cooga whose funeral took place during the week. Michael Breen late of Annacarty and a brother of Martin Breen who died in England during the week. Our sympathy to the bereaved.

MASSES FOR COMING WEEK: No Mass on Monday 28th. Mass Tue & Wed 9.30am, Thursday @ 7.30pm Vigil for All Saints Holy Day of Obligation. Friday All Saints Day 11.00am & 7.30pm.

FIRST FRIDAY: Friday next is 1st Friday of November. Mass @ 11.00am followed by communion calls. Novena Prayers to Our Lady of Perpetual Help and devotions during 7.30pm Mass.

MASS CARDS: Available in the sacristy

DOON & DISTRICT MENS SHED: continues every Monday night in the Convent @ 8pm

CHURCH CLEANING GROUP: New people are always welcome as many hands make light work.

Thanks to the group for keeping the Church so clean for all of us.

ADORATION GROUP: people needed to fill in the following times please. Wednesday 1-2pm. if you can help please contact John 086 8586304, Mary 087 1767465, or Marcia 086 4038420.

"BLEISCE" DOON PARISH JOURNAL: Anyone wishing to place an advertisement can do so by contacting Donal Anderson or Peggy Sweeney. Rates are as follows: ¼ page €30, ½ page €50 and a full page €70. Closing date for receipt of ads is the 31st October. Thank You

TEAMHOPE CHRISTMAS SHOEBOX APPEAL: Please pick up a leaflet as you leave if you would like to get involved in this year's appeal. Simply fill a shoebox with age appropriate gifts to include items to wash, wear, write and wow to be ready by Nov 15th. If you would like to give a donation instead of filling a box one will be filled on your behalf. Contact Norah on 087 9384583 for more details.

DATES FOR THE DIARY: November Remembrance Liturgy for our departed loved ones Wednesday 6th Nov @ 7.30 PM. Both primary schools will participate in the Liturgy which is a Parish Event. November Souls Envelopes will be available from this weekend. **Confirmation** is Tuesday 31st March 2020. **First Holy Communion** is Sunday 3rd May 2020.

VISITATION OF THE SICK: Hospitals and nursing homes are no longer permitted to provide a list of parishioners who are their patients or residents to a visiting priest. If you have a family member in a hospital or nursing home who would like a visit, please contact Fr Jimmy to let him know.

DIOCESAN LISTENING PROCESS: follow-up: Please visit our Diocesan website at www.cashel-emly.ie to view ongoing developments arising from the Listening Process including details of upcoming Gatherings of Parishes in October to identify priorities for parishes in our diocese. I would encourage you to participate in the next meeting for our Parish of Doon on Wed 30th Oct @ 7.30pm – Murroe Parishes in The Millennium Centre, Caherconlish.

OCTOBER IS SAFEGUARDING MONTH: How we communicate the Church's safeguarding message, policies and procedures is an important role of the safeguarding committee. On the safeguarding page of the Diocesan website www.cashel-emly.ie /safeguarding you will find our safeguarding plans, policies and guidance. We have also produced a safeguarding newsletter and soon an information leaflet on Human Trafficking which will be available in the church and on the website.

SPLIT THE POT: The Parents Association of Doon CBS Primary School are running a Split the Pot fundraiser. €2 to play. Envelopes available from the school and all local businesses. First draw is Nov 7th.

DOON COMMUNITY COUNCIL: Senior Citizens Christmas Party is set for Sunday 8th December. Invitations will be available shortly from local businesses. To book hall, pitch or meeting rooms call 085 1443470. Birthday party & bouncy castle package also available.

DOON YOUTH CLUB: Every Wednesday in the Community Centre from 7pm to 8pm. Registration for 10 years of age, 5th, 6th class & 1st years on the night. €10 to register and €2 thereafter.

DOON BADMINTON CLUB: every Monday in the main hall of the Community Centre from 8pm to 10pm, at €5 per person. Game time is around 20 mins, to give everyone a chance of a game. Over 16's

DOON STUDY HUB: mid-term opening times, Tuesday the 29th, 2pm to 6pm, Wednesday the 30th, 2pm to 6pm, Thursday the 31st, 3pm to 7pm. All welcome

SLIEVE FELIM PROJECT: Community and neighbouring parishes meeting in Cappamore Community Centre on 30th October @ 8pm. Optional Blood Pressure testing available free on entry. There will Speakers from the following groups: Mental Health, Wellbeing, Rural Isolation, Crime Prevention. Garda Superintendent John Ryan & Sargent Adrian Condon will be in attendance.

DOON GAA LOTTO: no's drawn 4-9-11-27 no winner. Next week's draw will take place in The Local Bar with a jackpot of €4,400.

PLEASE NOTE: Notes for newsletter to be emailed or handed in to Fr Jimmy by 6pm Wednesday evening for inclusion the following weekend. Email to doonparishnewsletter@eircom.net