



St. Patrick's Parish, Doon-29th July 2018

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Dear Parishioner,

In John's version of the feeding of the five thousand, Jesus performs this great miracle and it is the sign the crowds were waiting for. There is a lot of rich symbolism in this passage referring to Jesus as the Bread of Life, the one who will satisfy people's hunger, the great teacher. But perhaps the final lines tell us a lot about the type of 'king' Jesus really is. The crowds are so enthused by Jesus' miracles and teaching that they want to 'take him by force and make him king'. Jesus tries to discourage them from their own ideas of kingship. His kingship involves a different path to the one the crowd are expecting. Jesus is cautious and to escape the attention, perhaps to be alone and pray, he takes himself out of this situation and retreats to the mountain. It could be tempting to give in to the crowd and have them declare you as their king. Jesus' example of leadership is service in today's gospel, feeding the people, nourishing the people, meeting their needs. It also shows us how God can work with what we have to offer, no matter how little that sometimes is, he can turn this into much fruit.

Offertory Collection: last Sunday €870, thank you for your contributions to the parish.

Readers & Eucharistic Ministers: 4th/5th Aug:

Readers:

6:30pm Mary Hayes

9:30am Mary Lysaght

11am Emma Kennedy

Anniversaries: 28th/29th July:

6:30pm JJ Buckley, Main St

9:30am People of the Parish

11am John & Mary Nolan, Kilmoylan and
deceased members of the Nolan family

Dan Ryan, Toomaline

Friday 3rd August @ 7:30pm Richard Martin, bank Place Months Mind

First Friday: Next Friday 3rd is the First Friday of August. Usual communion calls after mass. Devotions and benediction after 8:30pm Mass

New Rota for Readers & Eucharistic Ministers: can be collected in the Sacristy.

Recently deceased: Pray for Paddy Ryan Gurtavalla. Frances Kenny Castleconnell and Mary Bennett Boherlahan, whose funerals took place during the week. Sympathies to the bereaved.

Baptism: We welcome to our Christian community Robbie Ryan, Glengar who was baptised on the 22nd of July. Congratulations to his parents Bobby and Niamh and the extended family.

Men's Shed: continue to meet every Monday night @ 8pm in the Convent. All welcome

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock: will take place on Sunday, August 5th 2018.

Cemetery Mass: A big thank you to all who attended and participated in and who helped in any way at our Annual Cemetery Mass. Thanks Mary Murphy Supervisor and her team of workers with Sliabh Felim who maintain the cemetery all year round.

Date for your Diary: Summer Seisiún & BBQ Fundraiser in aid of Chernobyl Children International Mulkear Outreach Group and Fr Johnny Sweeney's Mission work in Argentina on Friday 17th August in Moore's Bar, Doon. More details next week.

Doon GAA: Lotto No's drawn 8-14-18-26, no winner. Next week's jackpot is €4,000 and draw will be held in The Local Bar. **Best Wishes:** to Limerick Seniors who play Cork in the All-Ireland semi-final this Sunday 29th July in Croke Park, especially our own clubmen Richie English, Darragh O'Donovan, Pat Ryan & Barry Murphy. Best wishes also to Donal Coughlan on being selected to play in the INTO/GAA Mini Sevens in Croke Park at the All-Ireland Hurling Semi Final this Saturday when Clare meet Galway.

Doon Eucharistic Adoration Group: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament continues in our Parish Church every Wed. from 10am until 10pm. Would you consider committing one hour a week to the Lord! If so please contact any member of the Adoration Group: John O'Brien: (086) 8586304, Mary MacLeod: (087) 1767465 or Marcia Mooney (089) 4146481.

Doon Community Council: Annual Coffee Morning/Cake Sale has been rescheduled for Sunday 2nd September after both Masses. Annual Scrap Metal collection on Saturday 6th October.

Doon Community Alert: Safety Message from An Garda Siochana Tipperary Town. Please Lock up and Light Up. These Simple steps can help protect your home. 1 in 4 Burglars enter through open windows and doors. Store keys safely away from letter boxes and windows and record details of valuables. Don't keep large amounts of cash at home.

Doon Historical Society: The Annual Summer Outing will be on the 15th August and the destination is Waterford, taking in many sites of interest. This is always a good day out. Please confirm booking to 087 2347072

Blood Clinic: Please give blood in Pallasgreen Community Centre on Thursday 2nd August from 5 to 8 pm. Inquiries to 061 306980

Dún Bleisce - "Mar a bhí agus mar a tá": A photographic record of Doon Parish is on sale now in Spar, Richardson's Butcher and Collins Pharmacy.

PLEASE NOTE: Notes for Newsletter - To guarantee inclusion in newsletter, notes to be emailed by 6pm on Wednesday Evening, email: doonparishnewsletter@eircom.net