



St. Patrick's Parish, Doon—30th October 2016

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Dear Parishioner, as the month of October draws to a close and the clocks go back and we notice the beautifully coloured leaves tumble to the ground our attention is drawn towards Halloween and the Feast of All Saints and the month of November. Straddling the line between autumn and winter, life and death, Halloween is a time of celebration and superstition. It is thought to have originated with the ancient Celtic festival of Samhain, when people would light bonfires and wear costumes to ward off roaming ghosts. In the eighth century, Pope Gregory III designated November 1 as a time to honor all saints and martyrs; the Holy day, All Saints' Day, incorporated some of the traditions of Samhain. The evening before was known as All Hallows' Eve and later Halloween. Over time, Halloween evolved into a secular, community-based event characterized by child-friendly activities such as trick-or-treating. Throughout November we remember and honour our loved ones. We visit their graves and offer prayers on their behalf. Our faith tells us that death is not the end but that our loved ones live with God forever. Our prayers are with all who are bereaved at this time.

October is the month of The Holy Rosary. Rosary will be said this Sunday in the Parish Church at 6pm. All are welcome.

Emails: email address for newsletter items is: doonparishnewsletter@eircom.net & email address for Fr. Jimmy is: doonparishpriest@eircom.net. All items for inclusion in newsletter to be received by 6pm on Wed. evening.

Mass Times: No Mass on Monday morning. Mass on Monday evening at 7:30pm for the Feast of All Saints. Mass on Tuesday at 11am & 7:30pm. Mass on Wednesday & Friday @ 9:30am. **NO** morning Masses on Thursday or Saturday. In the event of a funeral there will be no 9:30am morning Mass.

First Friday: Friday next is the First Friday of November. Usual communion calls. Mass at 9:30am & at 7:30pm with Novena Prayers.

Offertory Collection: last Sunday €823, many thanks to all who gave so generously.

Readers & Eucharistic Ministers: 5th/6th Nov.:

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6:30pm Gerdie McGrath	John Favier/Mary Hayes
9:30am Tom Cummins	Eilín Uí Chuimín/Judith Ryan
11am Madge Quigley	Nora Treacy/Anita Sweeney

Congratulations: and all good wishes to Siobhan O'Brien & Michael Ryan who were married in Doon on Fri. 28th Oct.

Anniversary Masses: on some weekends a number of anniversaries will be remembered collectively as it is not possible to facilitate everyones needs, particularly when so many people want the same Masses on the same dates.

Anniversaries/Months Mind:

29th/30th Oct:

6:30pm Norrie Dilger, Cooga-Months Mind
9:30am Ned Power, Moanduff-Anniv.

5th/6th Nov:

Matt Ryan Reenavanna-Anniv.
Deceased members of the Ryan Family, Croughmakeen & Hayes Family, Croughafoil-Anniv.
Teresa Corish, Kilmoylan.
Joan & John Hayes, Toomaline.

Fri. 4th Jerry & Nonie Moore @ 9:30am-Anniv.

Team Hope Christmas Shoebox Appeal: If you would like to get involved in this year's appeal please pick up a leaflet that explains everything on your way out. Donations also accepted & a box will be filled on your behalf. Filled boxes need to be ready no later than Friday 18th Nov. For further details call Norah 087-9384583.

Epilepsy Collection: would like to thank everyone who contributed so generously to their Church Gate Collection. The amount collected was €650.

Accord Tipperary: final pre marriage course for 2016 will be held on Nov. 18th & 19th. Last few places remaining on this course so log onto accord.ie or book directly with office on (062) 33330. Pre marriage course schedule for 2017 available online.

Cashel & Emly Lourdes Assisted Pilgrims Fund: will hold a Poker Classic on Sun. 30th Oct. in Kinnane's Pub, Upperchurch, Co. Tipperary at 8pm. Entry fee €20, for further information contact Tom Ryan (086) 2120886. All support appreciated.

East Branch of the Irish Red Cross: will hold Church Gate Collection after all Masses this weekend. All support greatly appreciated.

Doon Coursing Club: are running a benefit night at Limerick Greyhound Track on Sat. 19th Nov. Please come along and enjoy a night at the dogs. Tickets are available from any Club Member for €10. Sponsored races & raffle on the night. Bus service available if required.

Social Dancing Classes: continue every Wednesday night in Doon Community Centre at 8pm. All are very welcome.

"Bleisce" Doon Parish Journal: we are currently preparing the 25th edition of "Bleisce". In order to have it available for posting before Christmas all articles, club reports, tributes, special occasions & old photographs need to be with us by the 10th Nov. for possible inclusion. Please send photos in jpeg format and not as part of a document. Articles can be handed into Donal Anderson or Peggy Sweeney or emailed to doonparishjournal@hotmail.com.

Doon GAA: Lotto: Mon. 24th Oct. no's drawn 5-17-18-27, no winner. Next week's draw will be held in Kelly's Bar with a jackpot of €8,600. **Gear:** The club are doing Cuchulainn gear for Christmas. There is a kid's kit available for €45 which includes skinny pants, tee shirt & half zip. All items will be crested & the half zip will also have initials. Samples can be tried on Tue. 1st Nov. from 7pm-7:30pm in the Clubhouse. Adult sizes also available. **Season Ticket:** anyone wishing to order Club Season Ticket 2017 for Christmas please text your name to Orla ASAP (087) 8530577.