



O'Gonnelloe Parish

Palm Sunday
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Public Celebration of Mass

With level 5 restrictions in place the celebration of Mass is only available online or broadcast on radio and TV. Visit www.bodyketuamgraneyparish.ie and follow the link for Mass online at 10am from Bodyke church from Sunday through to Friday. Scariff Bay Community Radio continues to broadcast 11am Mass live each Sunday as it has since the first lockdown. 88.3Fm or 92.7fm.

O'Gonnelloe Parish Office is CLOSED to the public due to Covid HSE restrictions. Please contact Joanne from 11am - 1pm on Thursdays for newsletter items, to be issued with sacramental certificates, to book anniversary masses (for online only) or to get Mass Cards & Bouquets. You can contact Joanne on 085 877 9113 or by email office@ogonnelloeparish.ie Send your notices for the newsletter on Thursday by 11am.

Newsletter will be available on O'Gonnelloe Parish Facebook page, www.ogonnelloeparish.ie and on noticeboards inside and outside the churches. Some copies will be available inside churches to take home.

WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS AT THIS TIME

People of the Parish, those who have passed away in the last year in our community, our beloved family and friends and all the Holy Souls.

Sympathy: We offer our sympathies to Peggy and all the Howe family on the death of Michael, may his gentle soul rest in peace.

Summary points of Easter Letter from Bishop Fintan – Let Hope Shape Our Future

Covid-19 has radically changed our lives and Church.

- Familiar faith practices have been greatly disrupted.
- We look forward to returning to a more acceptable form of normal.
- Our Church is in a time of profound change.
- The Church to which we shall return will be very different.
- What sort of Church do you want that to be?
- How will that Church be resourced?
- Do you want to be part of shaping that new reality?
- I invite you to join me in the Diocese of Killaloe on that new journey.

As Easter people we are people of joy and this gives us hope to live and share that joy with future generations. Link to the full letter is on www.killaloe-diocese.ie/easter-letter-let-hope-shape-our-future/

Helplines: East Clare Community Response 085 865 98 89: Clare Covid Community 1800 203600: ALONE (for older people) 0818 222 024: Women's Aid Helpline 1800 341900: Clare Haven 065 6822435.

COVID Tracker Ireland: is a free app for your mobile phone. It will help us to protect each other and slow the spread of coronavirus (COVID-19) in Ireland. Check out <https://www.covidtracker.gov.ie> for further details.

Parish/Diocesan News

A Thought for Holy Week

'Love does not want any other response but a response of love; so Christ wants in return for his love nothing else but ours.'

Online Mass: is broadcast online each morning at 10am, except Saturdays. It can be accessed through the parish website or Facebook page 'Bodyke Church'. Please note that the parish doesn't respond to messages sent through the Facebook page - you can make contact with us by phone or email.

To watch Mass online from Bodyke church

- Go to www.bodyketuamgraneyparish.ie
- Scroll to the section 'Notices & Events' and go to the notice 'Bodyke Church - Live Services'. In that notice click the link 'BodykeChurch' which will take you to the live service and you will also be able to see previously broadcast Masses. You do not need a Facebook account to watch the Mass.
- If you do have a Facebook account follow the 'Bodyke Church' page which will bring you to online Masses.
- The broadcast usually begins about five minutes before Mass is due to begin.
- You can watch the mass later during the day at the same site.

Current Updates:

- Please continue to observe guidelines for public health and safety.
- Churches are open for private prayer - if you visit please be considerate of others and wipe seat and surfaces afterwards.

Holy Week 2021: All Easter Ceremonies will be available online through the usual link at bodyke church on Facebook or go to www.bodyketuamgraneyparish.ie

We will broadcast the ceremonies as follows:

April 1st Holy Thursday Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper from St Mary's at 7.30pm

April 2nd Good Friday Celebration of the Lord's Passion from St Molua's at 3pm

April 3rd Holy Saturday The Easter Vigil from St Joseph's Tuamgraney at 9pm

April 4th Easter Sunday Mass from Church of the Assumption Bodyke at 10am

Please note that due to current restrictions these ceremonies are not open to the public. You are welcome to visit our churches at any stage during the week for private prayer.

Contributions: Thank you for your contributions to our parish; they are very much appreciated in these times which are difficult for many. Please use the online donation button on the Killaloe Diocese website to make a contribution to the parish. All funds go directly to the parish. If you wish to donate by your bank please contact parish office for details.

Reflection for Lent – Scariff Bay Community Radio continue their 'Taking Time Out' series at 6pm on Sunday evenings. You are invited to listen and find something through the prose, poetry and music to help your Lenten journey.

Cleaning of the Churches: Thanks to all who have continued to clean and maintain our churches; an extra pair of hands is always welcome so if you can help, please get in touch with Fr David or the Parish Office.

Trócaire: Please support the Lenten Trócaire campaign - visit www.trocaire.org for details on how you can make your contributions. Boxes can be returned to the parish office or to Fr David or Fr Jackie. Please do not leave boxes in church.

Community/ Local News

Spring Forward: Clocks go forward this weekend.

Mountshannon Community Employment Scheme: Following positions are available in **Ogonnelloe:** General Maintenance Operative CES 2145164. To enquire about the above vacancies please email estennis@welfare.ie or Contact your INTREO case officer or check out www.jobsireland.ie for job description and more details.

Scariff Library: Wednesday, 31st March Presentation: Skills for Successful Online Interviews. Online Event at 7pm Jennifer L. Smith of Jayarel Consulting will deliver a presentation on the skills and techniques needed to master the online interview. Jennifer will help you to handle video interviews confidently and to prepare for challenging questions. The presentation will be followed by a Q & A session. This is a free event for people throughout Co. Clare aged 18+. Booking is essential. In order to take part, participants will require remote access to Zoom. Please book your place by calling Scariff Library on 061 922893 during branch opening hours or by emailing scarriff_library@clarecoco.ie.

Clare County Library App: Clare County Library has developed an app (Clare County Library app) to enhance your visit to the library. You will be able to check in and out your own books in our WiFi enabled libraries, including Scariff Library, with the app. You will also be able to check your own account, update your loans, search the catalogue, reserve books and e-resources. The Clare County Library app is free and available on the App Store and the Google Store .

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