



O'Gonnelloe Parish

Inis Cealtra Cluster

Second Sunday of Advent 8th December 2024

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Parish Office open from 10—2pm on Thursdays, for newsletter items, to be issued with sacramental certificates, to book anniversary masses or to get Mass Cards & Bouquets. Deadline for your notices for the newsletter is Thursday by 11am.



Think about it

“Stand up to your obstacles and do something about them. You may find that they haven't half the strength you thought they had.” THINK ABOUT IT!

Parish/Diocesan News

Weekend Mass Schedule in Inis Cealtra Cluster.

Weekend Mass Rota for December will be:

Saturday	Tuamgraney 6:30pm; Mountshannon 7pm; Ogonneloe (St Molua's) 8pm
Sunday	Clonusker 9am; Killanena 9:30am; Feakle 10am; Scariff 11am

Weekend Mass Rota for January 2025 will be:

Saturday	Scariff 6:30pm; Kilclaren 7pm
Sunday	Bodyke 9:30am; Flagmount 9:30am; Scariff 11am; Whitegate 11am; Ogonneloe (St Mary's) 11am

Following on from the Rota it will rotate on a monthly basis for example: February 2025 will be the same as December 2024 and March 2025 will be the same as January 2025. And so on.

Months mind Mass for Fr Joe McMahon will be on Wednesday 11th December at 7pm in Scariff Church.

Inis Cealtra Cluster Advent Penitential Service preparation for Christmas will be held in Scariff Church Thursday 19th December at 7pm. All are welcome.

Appointment of Fr. David Carroll to assist in Inis Cealtra Pastoral Area, Pro-tem - Bishop Fintan Monahan

Following the short illness and untimely death of our esteemed colleague Fr. Joe McMahon, RIP, who was based in Scariff, Inis Cealtra Pastoral Area the clergy appointment board met in recent days. As a result of that, I have appointed Fr. David Carroll, Abbey Pastoral Area, to assist with the pastoral care of Inis Cealtra (pro-tem, until the Summer appointments of 2025). To accommodate that, Fr. David will have to greatly reduce his involvement in the Abbey Pastoral Area.

He will work along with the team in the pastoral area, Fr. Kieran Blake, VF, Fr. John Jones, Fr. Jackie Sharpe, Mr. Michael Daly, Pastoral Care Minister. During that time he will remain resident in Ennis and continue his post-graduate course of study. Fr. David will be available to cover weekend Masses, when his course schedule permits along with funerals, weddings, sick calls, first Friday calls, chaplaincy to the schools and whatever pastoral needs might arise, whenever he can. This appointment takes effect from Friday, December 6th, 2024.

I thank Fr. David for his generous availability and thanks also to the teams of the pastoral areas of Abbey and Inis Cealtra for the understanding and patience. ✠ *Fintan Monahan*

Community/ Local News

There is a **proposal under consideration** to create easier access and more parking spaces inside the gates at St Molua's Church. This is in light of the reduced parking spaces on the roadside with the new traffic calming works.

Café Exchange: Open Saturday's from 10.30am to 1pm.

Tuamgraney Development Association are holding their Christmas Bingo and Raffle on Sunday December 8th at 3pm in the Evicted G.A.A. Hall, Bodyke Road, Tuamgraney. All are welcome. Your support would be greatly appreciated.

Scariff Blood Donation Clinic: Scariff GAA Clubhouse Monday 9th December 4.50 – 8.10pm. New Donors are always welcome. Please phone 1800 222 111 for appointment

Glór na Nollag: 8.00pm Church of the Sacred Heart Scariff Friday 13th Dec. Four choirs from East Clare with some solo guests will perform a selection of seasonal choral pieces and Christmas classics. This will be a fantastic evening and you will be sure to hear some of your favorite pieces in beautiful harmony. This is an unmissable event. TICKETS €15 available from Bane's shop Scariff & at the door on the night.

Carol Singing: in aid of SVP East Clare, Saturday 21st December. East Clare Community Choir will be singing carols & Christmas songs outside Centra Scariff from 11.00am until 1.00pm. This is always an enjoyable event, you are welcome to join us. Please support this very worthy cause, funds raised locally are used locally.

Scariff Bay Radio: The Board and Volunteers of Scariff Bay Community Radio are delighted to announce that we're running a fundraising raffle. Tickets for this raffle at €5 each are available to purchase in Scariff PO, Joey Kavanagh Butchers, Rodgers Off Licence and Bane's Gift Shop, or from any of the SBCR Volunteers. The draw will take place live on air on December 14th.

Tractor Run in Aid of Raheen Hospital on Friday the 27th of December starting at the Cobbler Rest Bodyke. Registration from 11am. All are welcome. Contact Ger on 087 2776390 for more information.

Helplines: • ALONE (for older people) 0818 222 024 • Women's Aid Helpline 1800 341900 • Pieta: 1800 247 247 or text HELP to 51444 • Clare Haven 065 6822435 • Samaritans, Ennis - 065 6829777 • St. Vincent de Paul, East Clare - 086 3921492.

All notices are as given & correct on going to print.

Reflection:

Everything of this month can remind us of God... trees, lights, carols, parties, Santa hats, cards, gift-buying - all reminders that God is near. God is faithful. God is true to his word. God keeps his promises.

Weekday Masses for the week ahead

Tuesday 10th December:	10am Mass St Mary's Church
Thursday 12th December:	10am Mass St Molua's Church, Adoration
Saturday 14th December:	8pm St Molua's Church
Sunday 15th December:	No Mass

WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS AT THIS TIME

Saturday 21st December	Bridget Minogue (Anniversary) Peadar & Peter Farrell	St Molua's 8pm
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Weekend Ministries

Date 2024	Reader (please check with celebrant before Mass)	Eucharist Minister	Church Cleaning (to be cleaned week leading up to your date)
Dec 7th - St Molua's 8pm Dec 8th - St Mary's	Pauric McInerney No Mass	Francis McKenna No Mass	Martha McNamara, Ann Ryan Gerardine Sheedy, Carmel McMahon
Dec 14th - St Molua's 8pm Dec 15th - St Mary's	Family Mass No Mass	Martha McNamara No Mass	Kathleen Mooney, Phil McNeive Breda McNamara, Margaret Kenney
Dec 21st - St Molua's 8pm Dec 22nd - St Mary's	Majella Grady No Mass	Majella Grady No Mass	Kathleen Mooney, Phil McNeive Olivia O'Donovan, Olivia Weir, Orlaith Ringrose



Collections 30th November: Offertory: €204.30 Renovation: €103 Priest Collection: €160

Thank you for your continued kind generosity & support.

The Inis Cealtra Pastoral Area comprises of the parishes of Bodyke & Tuamgraney, Ogonneloe, Scariff, Feakle, Killanena & Flagmount, Mountshannon (Clonrush) & Whitegate and also provides services to Raheen Community Hospital. Current Inis Cealtra Area Weekend - For December 2024 **Mass Times Vigil (Saturday)** Tuamgraney 6.30pm; Mountshannon 7.00pm; Ogonneloe (St Molua's) 8.00pm. **Sunday Morning** Clonusker (Scariff) 9.00am; Killanena 9.30am; Feakle 10am; Scariff 11.00am.