

Newsletter 3rd January 2021

Anniversaries:

Sunday 3rd January 11.00am

Nora & John Thompson Bankplace anniversary

Peggy O' Dwyer Carnahalla anniversary

Wednesday 6th January 11.00 am

Mick & Katherine Quigley Toomaline

Sunday 10th January 11.00am

Michael O'Brien & his parents Molly & Paddy & brother Tom anniversaries

George & Kate Lonergan Kilmoylan anniversaries

Julia Ryan Gurnageira 1st Anniversary

Masses during Week 4th-8th January

Monday 9.30, Tuesday 9.30, Wednesday 11.00 & 7.30pm, Friday 7.30pm

All Masses are broadcast on 105.1 and live streamed.

Feast of The Epiphany 6th January. Masses 11.00 & 7.30pm

Epiphany Reflection: People find God in many different ways: through prayer, nature, love, sacraments and even suffering. Like the Magi, we find God in our own way. Each of us is following a personal star that leads to God. The Magi did not follow many of the ordinary routes that the people of their day travelled towards God. They embarked on their own way, and ultimately found God in a child. This kind of search is part and parcel of being human. When we are captivated by beauty; pray for another's health; show love to another; question the meaning of life; act for justice; and search for the meaning of suffering, we have touched something of the Divine. Without perhaps being aware of it, we are following our own star. All of us travel a road similar to that of the Magi whenever we follow the star of love, goodness, faith, courage, or justice. The light of the star is the light of God. Jesus, once the child at Bethlehem, continues to reach out to people, finding them as they look for him. He found, and continues to find, people in religious and non-religious places. On this Epiphany, let us ask the Lord Jesus to keep us moving towards him.

(Donal Neary SJ, with slight adaptations)

Weekly Envelopes:

A big thank you to all who continue to support your Parish through the weekly envelope. You may put them in the secure boxes in the church or put them in the letterbox of the parochial house. Donations may also be made on line by visiting the Parish Website doonparish.ie

New Covid 19 Restrictions and what they mean for our faith community

At Level 5, the public health risk means that you will be asked to stay at home, with certain exceptions. There will be no gatherings other than small numbers at funerals and weddings.

Religious services

Religious services move online after 25 December. **Sunday Mass 11.00 am** broadcast on Parish Radio and live streamed on parish website doonparish.ie
Places of worship may remain open for private prayer. The Church will be open from after Mass until 6pm each day.

Funerals

Up to 10 mourners can attend.

Weddings

Up to and including 2 January, 25 guests can attend a wedding ceremony and reception, whether indoors or outdoors.

From 3 January, up to 6 guests are permitted.

Domestic travel restrictions

Stay at home.

Exercise as close to home as possible.

Travel outside your county will continue to be permitted up to and including 26 December. Those away from their place of residence after that period will be permitted to return to their place of residence.

From 27 December you must stay within your county unless you need to leave for essential purposes, as follows:

- * travel to and from work, where work involves providing an essential service
- * to attend medical appointments and collect medicines and other health products
- * travel to attend disability day services
- * travel to attend a court
- * for vital family reasons, such as providing care to children, elderly or vulnerable people, and in particular for those who live alone but excluding social family visits
- * for farming purposes (food production or care of animals)
- * to attend a wedding or funeral
- * to visit a grave

COVID-19 Support Line for Older People: ALONE manage a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to the outbreak of COVID-19 (Coronavirus). Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open seven days a week, 8am – 8pm, by phoning 0818 222 024.

Doon GAA Notes

To Any of Our Elderly or Vulnerable Members/Friends of Doon GAA Struggling to Cope at This Difficult Time With Social Distancing Measures in Place. The Doon Seniors Will be Available to Help With Grocery Shopping, Picking up Prescriptions etc. Please Contact us Through our Facebook Page or Doon GAA Phone - 085 8045223

Lotto Numbers Monday, December 28th 2020

Jackpot €2,800

Numbers Drawn 7-10-20-27

Four Match 3s @ €30 each

1. Ted Riordan, Kilmoylan (Online).
2. Thomas Maher, Cliggin.
3. Conor Hayes, Lisowen (Online).
4. Dermot Dilger c/o Teresa O'Donovan

10 Lucky Dips at €20 each

1. Richardson Family, Doon
2. Phoenix & Siún c/o Niall Maher
3. Darragh O'Connell c/o Jack
4. PJ Cummins, Kilmoylan (Online)
5. Cian McNamara c/o Jack O'Connell
6. Séamus O'Dwyer c/o Mary Noonan
7. John Hayes, Toomaline
8. Andy Mackey, Gurtavalla.
9. James Carr, Doon South (Online).
10. Liam & Leonard c/o Betty Anderson

Promoters Prize, €25: Denis Kennedy

Next week's Jackpot €3,000. Draw will be held in Clubhouse on January 4th 2021.