Newsletter 14th February 2021

Anniversaries:

Sunday 14th February 11.00 am

Thomas Ryan Assumption Terrace and his father Jimmy Toomaline Lower anniversaries

Bridget Bradshaw Glengar 2nd anniversary & her mother and father in law Helen & Martin Bradshaw anniversaries Ned Quigley Reenavanna

Monday 15th Feb 9.30

Sean Treacy Frenystown Co. Kilkenny

Friday 19th Feb 7.30

Pat Donnelly Nodstown Boherlahan 2nd anniversary

Sunday 21st February 11.00

Recently deceased:

We are asked to pray for the recently deceased Maidie O' Keeffe Cork & late of Toher Rd, Sean Treacy Frenystown Co. Kilkenny, Jane Kennedy nee Dormer. Our sympathies are extended to the bereaved.

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

Masses during Week 15th Feb-19th Feb Monday 9.30, Tuesday 9.30, Wednesday 9.30 & 7.30pm, Friday 7.30pm All Masses are broadcast on 105.1 and live streamed.

Wed 17 February is Ash Wednesday, a day of fast and abstinence. It is the first day of the season of Lent, a sacred time marked by prayer, fasting and almsgiving. Ashes and Trócaire boxes will be available in the church for collection.

Friday 19th February is the Worldwide Day of Prayer for Survivors and Victims of Sexual Abuse.

Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. (St Alphonsus de Liguori)

Season of Lent:

Lent at the Abbey 2021 (Encountering Jesus with St Benedict)

A series of talks will take place at 2pm each Saturday during Lent beginning on Saturday 20th Feb and concluding on Saturday 27th of March. All talks will be live streamed at 2pm at www.glenstal.com/abbey/webcam click "Talks" recordings available later.

Ash Wednesday

Home Prayers for Ash Wednesday (a suggested outline)

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Lord, you always look on us with love and mercy. May this time of Lent remind us of your call to us, to turn to you who offer us light for our way and hope for our hearts. You call us to turn away from what is not life-giving and what is sinful. Loving Lord, deepen our response to you this Lent.

We read in the gospel according to Mark: Jesus proclaimed the Good News from God. 'The time has come,' he said, 'and the kingdom of God is close at hand. Repent, and believe the Good News.' We take a moment to respond to God's invitation (Pause).

Here make the sign of the cross (with ashes if we have collected them from the church) on our own forehead or on each others' foreheads, saying: 'Turn away from sin and be faithful to the gospel'

We are marked with ashes today to show we are a people turning to God. So let us pray to God our Father for our needs, the needs of our loved ones, the needs of the world... (add your own intentions).

We join all our prayer intentions together as we pray, "Our Father, who art in heaven..."

We ask God to bless us on our Lenten journey:

God of love and mercy, draw us into the desert of our own lives, where you alone can quell our fears and give us passion and energy for the journey of life. We make this prayer through Christ your Son. Amen

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Level 5 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. **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 6 guests are permitted to attend a wedding ceremony and reception, whether indoors or outdoors.

Domestic travel restrictions

Stay at home.

Exercise as close to home as possible.

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 February 8th 2021

Lotto Tickets can be purchased in Doon at O'Sullivans Centra & Damien Richardson Butchers. Cut Off Time for Online Sales is 8pm every Monday. Jackpot €4,000

Numbers Drawn 2-3-26-30 One Match 3s (*a*) €30 each 1. Therese Ryan, Stoneyhurst, Dooradoyle (Online) 10 Lucky Dips at €20 each 1. Joe Treacy c/o Joanna, The Local. 2. Garry McMahon c/o Benji. 3. Michael Carew, Glengar. 4. Tony O'Brien c/o Mike Ryan 5. Arthur Crowe, Cooga (Online). 6. Liam O'Sullivan c/o Joanna, The Local. 7. James Carr, Doon South (Online). 8. Cathy Maher c/o Niall 9. Tom Hayes, Toher Rd. 10. Marian Murphy c/o Tom Promoters Prize, €25: Con McGrath Next week's Jackpot €4,200. Draw will be held in Clubhouse on February 15th 2021.