

## Newsletter 5th September 2021

### Anniversaries:

**Saturday 4th September 6.30**

**Sunday 5th September 11.00**

Pauline Collins nee Ryan Putter Carnahalla and Cork Months Mind

**Saturday 10th September 6.30**

Sean Hayes & his wife Josephine and their daughter Josephine Ryan anniversaries

Mary Bourke Cooga anniversary

**Sunday 11th September 11.00**

Mary & Paddy Ryan Carnahalla anniversary

### **Recently deceased**

Please remember in your prayers Han Kennedy Foilduff mother of Michael Kennedy Gurtavalla whose funeral took place on the 27th of August. Sympathy to the bereaved.

### **SEEDS OF HOPE 2021-2026**

Statement from Archbishop Kieran O'Reilly

In our lifetime as parishioners within the Archdiocese of Cashel, Sunday next, September 12th, is a seminal day as our Archdiocese outlines its Diocesan Plan “**SEEDS OF HOPE**” 2021-2026 .

No business, sporting or community organisation of any sport fulfils its potential without careful planning. We are no different. But plans take on a whole new sense of importance and meaning when organisations need to ‘go again’. We are at that time; not just because the Church has come through some tumultuous decades that it must learn from but because we must also, in moving forward, bring with us all that is good and make it even better as we do God’s amazing work.

We need to turn to the future and plan for the future and that’s exactly what our pastoral plan ‘Seeds of Hope’ is about. We have always hope but we must plant seeds if we are to reap a harvest down the line.

Like any good plan, it has involved listening. We began our process all of four years ago as we engaged with people of all demographics across the archdiocese to hear exactly what it is that we need at parish and diocesan level so that we can serve the pastoral and spiritual needs of all in the years ahead.

Like any journey, there are bumps along the way and, just with the listening phase coming to an end, COVID-19 became ours last year. It was an interruption rather than a derailment and now, having completed the listening process, we are on the cusp of unveiling ‘our’ plan – for it is, indeed, a plan for all of us, by all of us.

The launch of this plan will be in a sacred space for our diocese, **Holycross Abbey**, on Sunday 12th September at 3.00pm. Because of the pandemic, numbers that can attend are limited but each parish will be represented. For those unable to attend, the unveiling of the plan, with a special Mass celebrated by Archbishop Kieran O'Reilly, will take place at 3.00pm.

It will be a day of truth, a day of reconciliation, a day of renewal and, above all, a day of hope.

We ask that you join us on this special day as this very special celebration is live streamed from the Abbey.

In the meantime, we ask that this weekend and over the coming days and months that you pray that, with the guidance of the Holy Spirit, our **Seeds of Hope** will, indeed, bear fruit, a new beginning for us all here in our parish and across the Archdiocese of Cashel & Emly.

## **Sacrament of First Holy Communion**

Congratulations to the boys and girls who celebrated their First Holy Communion today Saturday 4th September.

**HOLYCROSS ANNUAL SOLEMN NOVENA 2021:** Due to Covid 19 restrictions, the Novena will be held behind closed doors again this year. It will be available online on [www.churchservices.tv/holycrossabbey](http://www.churchservices.tv/holycrossabbey) at 10.30am and 7.30pm daily and on Tipperary Mid West Radio at 7.30pm daily. The Session for the Sick will be broadcast online and on Tipperary Mid West Radio at 2pm on Saturday 11th September. Please see [holycrossballycahill.com/novena](http://holycrossballycahill.com/novena), contact 0504-43124 or [hbparrishoffice@gmail.com](mailto:hbparrishoffice@gmail.com) for more information

## **Céad Míle Fáilte:**

I welcome you back to weekend and daily Mass.

I am so grateful for your loyalty, your generosity and your goodness throughout our lock downs. Please God once returned we will be back for good with no further restrictions. We are asked to observe the following:

- 2m social distancing guidelines adhered to (members of the same household can sit/stand close together)
- Wearing of face coverings
- No congregation by people outside the Church before and after any service
- **Seats must be sanitised after each gathering. Your help in this regard would be greatly appreciated.** Cloths and sanitiser are provided. If people brought their own wipe and sanitiser with them and looked after the pew they used this would be a great help.
- If possible leave the weekend masses for families who have anniversaries booked.
- Remember only **50** is the permitted number allowed to gather in the Church

**Masses this week :** Monday & Tuesday 9.30am Wednesday & Friday 7.30pm

Mass is available each day on Tipperary Mid West Radio 104.8 fm at 10.15 am and a number of masses are live streamed from [churchservices.tv](http://churchservices.tv). or [churchcamlive.ie](http://churchcamlive.ie)

## **Season of Creation September 1st to October 4th.**

After the Season of Creation which runs from 1st September to the 4th of October there will be a UN meeting on Climate Change in November of world leaders in Scotland (known as COP 26) and another UN Conference of world leaders on Biodiversity is scheduled to take place in China during Spring 2022.

In preparation for these UN meetings a petition known as the Healthy Planet, Healthy People Petition which has been endorsed by the Vatican Dicastery for Integral Human Development and is available at <http://healthyplanetandpeople.org/> for dioceses, parishes, and individuals to sign. It is envisaged that this petition with signatures will be presented by Pope Francis to the Presidents of the upcoming COP 26 in Glasgow at the beginning of November 2021. COP26 is a critical moment for our common home, and we are urged as Catholics to raise our voices for the most vulnerable and for God's creation by signing and promoting this petition.

### **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](http://doonparish.ie)

### **Cemetery Mass 2021**

Due to current restrictions it is not possible to hold the annual cemetery mass at this time. This can be reviewed at a later date.

**CANA WELCOME** is a programme that gives couples the opportunity to strengthen their relationship and to grow as a couple. The programme consists of 9 monthly meetings. The first CANA WELCOME for this area will commence Saturday 18 September in Knockainey Community Centre, Co. Limerick. The cost of the materials is €20 per couple. Places are limited. For information or registration, please contact Shane 086 3032852 or Olga 086 3192679.

### **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)

### **Funerals**

**50** mourners permitted at the funeral.

Related events, either before or after, should not take place

### **Weddings**

**100** guests permitted at the wedding (civil or religious).

For celebrations/receptions, a maximum of 100 people are permitted for indoor gatherings.

**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 Tidy Towns:** are back every Thursday from 7pm, at the church car park and are looking for volunteers to help keep our village and parish clean.

### **Doon Community Council Notes:**

**For bookings of hall or Astro Turf pitch** please text/ phone **085 755 7318**. Bookings must be made in advance. Please follow the most up to date government guidelines on COVID-19 if using the facilities.

**Elections.** The current community council committee are coming to the end of their term. Elections to form a new community council committee will take place in October. New members are always welcome and we encourage you to consider joining. Full details to follow.

**Scrap Metal Collection.** The annual scrap metal collection in aid of the community centre and playground will take place on Saturday 2nd October. All items of scrap metal including car batteries can be dropped to the community centre yard on that morning. No fridges or gas containers please.

**Local taxi service:** covering Cappamore, Doon , Cappawhite, Pallasgreaan etc. Limerick junction train transfers, Hospital appointments, g.p. visits, shopping , limerick city , Tipperary town. Phone 0851001381.

### **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

**The Gaa Nursery** returns for all our youngest players in Doon GAA. The nursery will be on every **Saturday Morning at 11am**. All welcome especially new players. Please contact Mike Fitzgerald on 087 782 7775 or Ann Marie Richardson on 087 148 3149 for more information.

### **Lotto Numbers Monday August, 30th 2021**

Lotto Tickets can be purchased in Doon at O'Sullivan's Centra & Damien Richardson Butchers. Cut Off time for Online Sales is 8pm every Monday.

Jackpot €9,800

#### **Numbers Drawn 6-9-10-30**

#### **One Match 3 @ €30 each**

1. Ollie Hill c/o Ger Doyles.

#### **10 Lucky Dips at €20 each**

1. Jack O'Connell, Gurtavalla.
2. Joanie Coughlan, Kealogue.
3. William Hennessy, Landscape.
4. Anita Sweeney, Liscaugh (Online)
5. Tom & Margaret O'Brien, Glengar.
6. Joanne Hayes, Lisowen.
7. Niamh Hanley, Cooga (Online).
8. Richie Cummins c/o O. Walsh.
9. Tom Hayes, Toher
10. Amy, Doon

Promoters Prize, €25: John Power.

**Next week's Jackpot €10,000. Draw will be held in Clubhouse on September 6th 2021.**