#### **Anniversaries**

## Saturday 21st December 6.30

Fr Tom Ryan former PP anniversary

Patrick & Elizabeth Reale Assumption Terrace & their daughter Nancy & son in law Tommy Shanahan anniversaries

John and Sarah Sullivan, Kilmoylan, anniversaries

# **Sunday 22nd December 11.00**

Ellen McGrath Clogher anniversary

Mary & James Carr & their daughter Mary Ita & their son Dan Glengar anniversaries John Ryan Gurtavalla and Edinburgh anniversary

Saturday 28th December 6.30 Sunday 29th December 11.00

Kitty Keogh Clonlusk 1st anniversary Kathleen Heffernan 1st anniversary

Masses this coming week: Monday 23rd December 9.30

Christmas Confessions after Mass on Saturday evening and Sunday Morning.

#### **Mass Times in Doon for Christmas 2024**

Tuesday 24th December Christmas Eve Masses at 5.30 and 7.30pm

Wednesday 25th December Christmas Day Mass at 10.00am. Please note the change of time for Christmas Day.

There will be no masses for the remainder of the week until 6.30 on Saturday 28th December.

**Christmas Greetings** and Blessings are wished to all Parishioners at home or away. Welcome home to those who have returned to Doon to celebrate Christmas with family and friends. We keep in our thoughts and prayers the bereaved at this time.

Ministers of the Eucharist & Readers for next weekend: Please refer to your rota.

### **Eucharistic Adoration:**

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament takes place every Wednesday in the parish church from 3 p.m. to 7p.m. Please note there is no adoration this Wednesday as it is Christmas Day.

#### **Weekly Envelopes:**

Your financial support for your parish is very much appreciated and every contribution makes a difference. Please make cheques payable to Doon Parochial A/C. Basket collection taken up at weekend masses. Donations can also be made via parish website. Collection last weekend was €1,210. Thank you to all who contributed.

#### **Clergy Collections**

This weekend 21/22 December is the final Priests Collection of the year. The Target set for this parish by the Archdiocese is €20,460. These collections make up the Common Fund

from which all priests in the diocese active, retired or sick receive an allowance on the last Friday of each month. To date the sum of €12,040.10 has been collected. I thank all who have contributed so far. Hopefully we will get close to the Target. Shortfalls are made up from parish funds.

<u>Invitation to join the Parish Choir:</u> You are cordially invited to join the Doon Parish Choir. Preparation for Christmas will commence on Monday evenings at 7.30 in the Parish Church.

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

For bookings of hall or Astro Turf pitch: please text/phone 085 755 7318. Bookings must be made in advance.

<u>Community Café</u> (10:00 - 14:00) Friday's Only at Doon Social Farm. Donations to support farm upkeep and care of the animals. All are welcome

### **Doon and District Mens Shed**

Monday 8pm, meet in the Shed at the Old Convent building, followed by chat, cuppa, cards and pool. Tuesday 10am, walk around GAA pitch followed by cuppa in the Shed. Wednesday 12 noon, Art in the Shed. Thursday 2pm, workshop in the Shed. 2-4pm, Gardening in Cappamore Polytunnell. Friday 8pm, cards, pool and archery in the Shed. Monday and Friday 10am, Doon Gym €5 entry. New members always welcome. See Facebook and Google Maps for further details.

# **Doon GAA Note**

**Doon GAA Victory Dinner Dance** Sunday 2nd February 2025 at the Radisson Hotel Limerick. Music by Traffic and DJ.. Tickets €100 are on sale now.

Lotto Numbers Monday, December 16th 2024. Lotto Tickets can be purchased in Doon at Lenihan's Centra & Damien Richardson Butchers. Cut Off time for Online Sales is 8pm every Monday. Jackpot €2,400. Numbers Drawn 8-10-11-15
Three Match 3 @ €30 each.1. Laura Murphy c/o Eddie Stapleton 2. Michael Butler, Bahagha. 3. Michael Ryan, Big Rapids, USA (Online). 10 Lucky Dips at €20 each.1. Mikey Hayes, Moanduff. 2. Tom Kennedy, Lisowen (Online).3. Paddy Bradshaw, Glengar (Online).4. Broze O'Donovan c/o Pat O'Donovan.5. Anne Hayes, Lisowen.6. Olivia & Owen Coughlan, Oola.7. John Horgan c/o L.Ryan Hillview Grove.

8. The Quirkes, Dundrum.9. Adrian O'Donovan c/o Pat O'Donovan.10. James Carr, Doon South (Online).Promoters Prize, €25: Anna Moore. Next week's Jackpot €2,600. Draw will be held in Clubhouse on Monday, December 23rd 2024

**Doon Badminton Club:** Doon badminton club Mondays and Thursday's, 8 to 10pm, Doon Community Centre. New and old members welcome, as well as over 16's (must be accompanied by parent or guardian). €5 on the night.

<u>2025 A Jubilee Year For The Church</u> Pope Francis has declared that the year of 2025 is to be a Jubilee Year - a year of special prayer and blessing. The theme of this Jubilee Year is "Pilgrims of Hope" (We are pilgrims on the Earth NOT masters of the world). The special year begins on Christmas Eve (2024) and concludes on the Feast of the Epiphany - January 6th 2026. The Archbishop will open the Jubilee Year with a special Mass in the Cathedral in Thurles at 11am on Sunday December 29th 2024.

<u>Visit Santa in Clonteen Cappamore</u> for bookings and inquiries contact 086 8586304 donations are in aid of Marys Meals who provide 2.4million children every day with nutritious school meals in 17 countries.

CHY3 Enduring Certificate Income Tax Relief forms to charities were posted to households who donated €250 or more annually or anytime to collections over the past 4 years. Please return completed forms in the stamped addressed envelope. If you are not a tax payer please complete and return the relevant slip. Thanks to everyone who has responded already.

Wren Walk for Chernobyl: Please join us on St' Stephen's Day to walk off the Christmas Dinner and help raise funds for lifesaving operations on newborn babies in Kiev. Walk leaving from the Pastoral Centre at 1pm through Kilmoylan Woods with refreshments on return. Great family occasion and pets welcome but must be kept on lead at all times. Your support as always is greatly appreciated.

**Bleisce** A bumper County Final souvenir edition of Bleisce is now on sale. Price €15

<u>Dún Bleisce Historical Society</u> Annual Table Quiz in Moore's Bar Doon on Friday the 27th of December at 9:30 PM. €20 per Table. Raffle and a good evening's entertainment guaranteed.