

Anniversaries

Saturday 7th December 6.30

Nancy & Norman Beresford and Margaret Dunne St Fintan's Terrace & Mossy Dunne Togher Rd anniversaries. Mary Joe Griffin & Paddy Duggan anniversaries.

Kathleen Hayes Main St anniversary.

Sunday 8th December 11.00

Patrick McGrath & his Sister Catherine Clogher anniversaries, Paddy O Malley Glengar 8th anniversary and all deceased members of the O Malley family. Michael Moloney Toomaline anniversary.

Saturday 14th December 6.30

Brendan O'Connell anniversary

Sunday 15th December 11.00

Masses this coming week:

Monday 11.00 & 7.30pm, Tuesday & Wednesday 9.30.

The Feast of the Immaculate Conception is celebrated on the 9th of December. It is a Holy Day of obligation. Masses at 11.00 & 7.30.

Please bring along Baby Jesus Crib figure from your family crib for blessing at masses next weekend.

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. Maybe in preparation for Christmas during this Holy Season of Advent your gift to Jesus could be your presence before Him in the Holy Eucharist, even for a short time. "Jesus has made Himself the Bread of Life to give us life. Night and day, He is there. If you want to grow in love, come back to the Eucharist, come back to that Adoration.' St. Teresa of Calcutta.

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 €790. Thank you to all who contributed. Envelopes and Calendars for 2025 are available in the Sacristy for collection and distribution. Thanks to all who distribute the envelopes it is greatly appreciated.

Clergy Collections

This weekend 1st December is the 2nd last 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 €11,205.10 has been collected. There is 1 more

Clergy Collection before the end of the year so hopefully we will get close to the Target. I thank all who have contributed so far. Shortfalls are made up from parish funds.

Invitation to join the Parish Choir: 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.

Annual Christmas Party takes place this Sunday 8th December beginning with Mass in Fr. McGrath Hall at 12.30pm followed by the usual Dinner and music.

Community Café (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

Keepsake of Doon GAA historic maiden SHC title win are available. Contact Eamonn 086-8130452

Lotto Numbers Monday, December 2nd 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 €2,000. Numbers Drawn 2-3-15-26. Five Match 3 @ €30 each
1. Katelynn Power, Doon. 2. Niall Grandkids, Doon. 3. Yvette Crowe, Doon (Online). 4. John Hayes, Toomaline. 5. The Dublin Andersons c/o Donie (Online). 10 Lucky Dips at €20 each. 1. Niall Ryan c/o Eddie Stapleton. 2. Conor Hayes, Lisowen (Online). 3. Conor O'Keeffe, Crecora (Online). 4. Lar Ryan, Hillview Grove. 5. Lilly Ryan (C), Cooga. 6. Niall Maher, Toomaline. 7. Olivia & Owen Coughlan, Oola. 8. Martin Fleming, Bodyke, Co. Clare. 9. William Hennessy, Pallasgreen. 10. Maria Conroy, Athlone (Online). Promoters Prize, €25: Ollie Walsh. Next week's Jackpot €2,200. Draw will be held in Clubhouse on Monday, December 9th 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.

Multeen Players present The Chastite by John B. Keane. Thurs 5th, Fri 6th, Sat 7th and Sun 8th December at 8pm in Knockavilla Community Centre. Tickets €10. Available in Cronin's Centra and Heffernan's Foodstore Dundrum or through Multeen Players Facebook/Instagram page.

2025 A Jubilee Year For The Church 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.**

Visit Santa in Clonteen Cappamore for bookings and inquiries contact [086 8586304](tel:0868586304) 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.

Anam Cara, the organisation that supports bereaved parents, will hold its monthly Parent Support Evening on Wednesday 18th December at 7.30pm in the Horse and Jockey Hotel, Thurles. This event is free and open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or how recent their death was. You do not need to register in advance. We also offer an online support group meeting. To find out more call [014045378](tel:014045378) or email info@anamcara.ie

Wren Walk for Chernobyl: on Thursday 26th December at 1pm from the Pastoral Centre through Kilmoylan Woods. Why not join us and walk off the Christmas Dinner and help raise funds for a great cause. This year all monies raised will go towards lifesaving operations for newborn babies in Kiev. Refreshments served.

A bumper County Final souvenir edition of Bleisce will be on sale shortly. Price €15