

Clonmany Parish Newsletter

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ST MARY'S CHURCH, CLONMANY

Saturday— 6:30pm Vigil Mass (Rosary 6:10pm)

Sunday—11:30am Mass

Monday—Friday 9:30am Mass (Rosary 9:10am)

ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH, URRIS

Sunday—10am

Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament—Friday 3-6pm
(Rosary at 5.40pm)

ORATORY OF THE ASSUMPTION, BALLYLIFFIN

Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament—Tuesday 7.30—8.30pm

ORATORY, ST COLUMBILLE VILLAGE, CLEAGH

Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament—Wednesday 3pm-4pm

MONTH'S MIND MASSES

6:30pm Vigil Mass in St Mary's Church on Saturday 27th July will be offered for Philomena McColgan, Lagacurry, Isle of Doagh, on her month's mind.

10am Mass in St Michael's Church on Sunday 28th July will be offered for Charles Kerr, letter & Bunrana on his month's mind. May they rest in peace.

BLESSING OF GRAVES

The Annual Blessing of Graves will take place on Sunday 18th August in Urris Cemetery after 10am Mass and Clonmany Cemeteries after 11:30am Mass.



VOCATIONS

We pray that those called to be priests of the Derry Diocese will be faithful shepherds who will feed their people with the Eucharist and the Word of God. (Diocesan Vocations Director, Fr Pat O'Hagan email: pgoh2111@gmail.com)

SAINTS OF THE WEEK

Monday: St Mary Magdalene

Tuesday: St Bridget of Sweden, Patron of Europe

Wednesday: St Sharbel Makhluf

Thursday: St James, Apostle

Friday: Ss Joachim and Anne

BAPTISMS

We welcome into God's family through holy baptism
Ellie Philomena Cahalan, Altahalla,
Korey Danny Doherty-McGilloway, Ballyhallion
Cahir Matthew McGowan, Urrismanagh
Jack McDaid, Isle of Doagh

COLLECTION

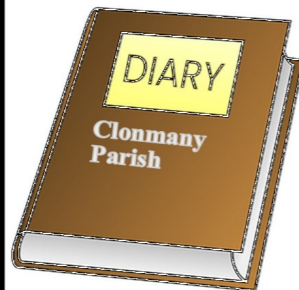
Parish collection last weekend amounted to €1,950
Thank you for your continued generosity.

PARISH DRAW

Promoters are asked to make returns this week for the draw.

NOWDOC

6pm Friday—8am Monday, please call NOWDOC 0818400 911



BAPTISMS AND WEDDINGS IN CLONMANY PARISH

All enquires about celebrating baptism or a wedding in Clonmany parish should be made through the parish office. Please do not ask Fr Sweeney or Fr Kevin directly. This helps ensure against 'double' booking. A date for a wedding or baptism cannot be confirmed unless it is booked through the parish office.

MENINGITIS RESEARCH FOUNDATION

Kathleen Doherty, Annaugh, would like to thank everyone who supported her recent successful plant sale. Total amount raised was €1,870. A special thanks to the ladies who helped on the day.

ST COLUMBILLE VILLAGE

Once again St Columbcille Village would sincerely like to thank The Card players from Ballyliffin Hotel for their very generous donation of €1,200 to our patient comfort fund. This money will be put into good use to benefit our clients and residents. Thank you all for thinking of us.

INISHOWEN MEDICAL

Inishowen Medical will be hosting a pre-school vaccination clinic in Bunrana on Tuesday 6th August. Measles is currently circulating globally with cases being reported locally, we urge you to ensure your child is fully vaccinated. If your child is due to start school in September and you would like an appointment, please call 9361800/ 9378173 to book.

Measles Circulating widely Globally

The Measles Incident Management Team (IMT) now recommends that all infants aged 6-11 months should receive an MMR vaccine before travelling abroad (ideally at least 2 weeks before travel). As measles is circulating widely globally, this applies to all travel abroad.

Note, a dose given at less than 12 months of age does not replace the dose recommended at 12 months of age.

Please contact 93 61800 or 93 76173 to make an appointment.

MARY'S MEALS DRAW 2024

Elizabeth Doherty (Davy) would like to thank everyone who supported this year's draw. A total of €2,510 has been raised which will feed and educate 114 children for one entire school year.

Winners: Mia Diver, Niamh McGonagle, William Doherty, Orla Devlin, Amy McGonigle, Brigid Coyle, Roisin Curran, Leah McGonigle.

CLONMANY ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Families experiencing financial difficulties can contact the local SVP Confidential number 0862388789, Reg Office 074/9173933 or any SVP member

FREEDOM TO LIVE FULLY, UNTIL DEATH COMES

This pastoral letter *Freedom to Live Fully, Until Death Comes* has been published by the Irish Catholic Bishops' Conference to inform people of faith and goodwill who wish to protect and support human life with dignity and compassion, especially in the last weeks of terminal illness. The full statement can be found at www.catholicbishops.ie

PILGRIMAGE TO FATIMA

Pilgrimage (limited availability) to Fatima EX Dublin Easter 2025, Flying with TAP airlines, Also 13th June 2025 for Feast of Saint Anthony, 13th October 2025 for Miracle of Sun. Contact James Treacy 00353 61921470 jamestreacyphotography@gmail.com Instalments payments acceptable.

PRIORY INSTITUTE—2024 Online Summer School – Seeking, Serving and Sharing Christ in a Synodal Church:

The course consists of eight recorded presentations and three Zoom meetings and is delivered by Fr Peter O'Kane (Derry diocese). There will be an introductory Zoom meeting on 19th Aug. There are four presentations each week and they will become available each day, so on Tuesday 20th Aug there will be access to one recording and on Wed access to two recordings and so on. Participants can watch the lectures whenever suits them, and revisit lectures they have already viewed. At 7pm on the Monday of the following week there will be a live Zoom discussion with Fr Peter. Full details at prioryinstitute.com

40th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Of the Opening of Bunrana Community Hospital will take place on 4th Aug at 7pm in The Lake of Shadows Hotel. Adm €40 incl meal and dancing Current and past staff members, volunteers and members of the public are welcome but numbers are limited. Tickets available in Bunrana Community Hospital, Macs Bookshop, Lake of Shadows and Centra, Clonmany Contact 086 3068662/0749361500 for details



URRIS GAA CLUB

Our Senior Men finished their league campaign with a home win against Naomh Ultan. championship starts in a few weeks.

Our Senior Ladies have reached the Division 2 county league final after a great win over Ghaath Dobhair in the semi final
Urris: 2-13 Ghaath Dobhair: 0-14

The Final will take place on Sunday 28th July.

Club Lotto 11th July—numbers drawn 18,21,25,27No winners of the jackpot €20 winners: Fiona Doherty (C), Chapel Glen; David Hession, Roxtown; Brian Grant, Annaugh; Noreen Doherty (R), Urrismana; T Anne & Susan Doherty, Tiernasligo

Honk your Horn Bingo every Thursday at 8pm in the Clonmany Carpark.
50/50 July Draw Results: €1,000 Daniel Friel, Boston; €500 Johnny Noone, Cloontagh; €100 Kathleen McGonigle, Riverside; €100 Nichola & Damien Lagan, Magheramore; €100 Dermot Moyne, Boston; €100 Seamus Grant; €100 Paul Gill, Gorteran

Keep up to date with underage fixtures and results on our social media.

CLONMANY SHAMROCKS NOTES

Lotto Numbers on 15/07/24 were 08,09,20,23.

There was no winner of our Jackpot of €2,375.

Our next draw will be on 22/07/24 and next week's Jackpot will be €2,400. €20 Prizes went to: Darren McCarron, Cleagh; Jason Devlin, Tullagh; Bernard Devlin, Tullagh. Tickets available for collection and return at: Centra, Clonmany P.O., Shop-4-Less, Mac's & Sinead's Creations. https://www.klubfunder.com/Clubs/Clonmany_Shamrocks_FC/lotto

DRUMFRIES WALKING GROUP

Will meet on Fri 26th July at the Shore Front Car Park at 10am.



PARADISE LOST

Imagine that Paradise is like the pristine water of a beautiful river, teeming with wonderful life. Then imagine that the river becomes poisoned with pollution.

Like a polluted river poisons everything in the water for the fish, so original sin (the rejection of GOD) poisons everything for us in Paradise.

What all that means is heart-breaking loss:

- The loss of Paradise is the effect of original sin (the poison of rejecting GOD).
- Death and destruction comes to where it never was before.
- Adam and Eve (meaning 'us') are no longer immortal.
- We now suffer death ... bodily and spiritual.
- We have lost the only gift of truly priceless value ... the gift of eternal life in GOD
- AND ... we did all this to ourselves, through the pride of Adam and Eve (really meaning 'us').



Perhaps looking at this list of 'heart-breaking loss', brought into our lives by our sin, we are touched to the very depths of our heart by a sadness. This is because we recognise how our human world has so often turned its back on GOD, believing that we know better how our lives can be truly happy. Or, perhaps looking at this list of 'heart-breaking loss', it does not touch our hearts at all, because we don't think it's that important, and so really couldn't care less.

And, if we're really not that bothered, then perhaps Pope Francis might be of help. Talking about knowing Jesus, rather than knowing about Jesus, he says:



If we do not feel an intense desire to share the love of Jesus, we need to pray insistently that he will once more touch our hearts. We need to implore his grace daily, asking him to open our cold hearts and shake up our lukewarm and superficial existence.

Next week — PARADISE FOUND

Fr Kevin