

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 Mass
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

FIRST ANNIVERSARY MASSES

6:30pm Vigil Mass in St Mary's Church on Saturday 7th September will be offered for Mae Doherty, Chapel Glen on the first anniversary of her death.
 11:30am Mass in St Mary's Church on Sunday 8th September will be offered for Jim Harkin, Glebe on the first anniversary of his death. May they rest in peace.

MONTH'S MIND MASS

10am Mass in St Michael's Church on Sunday 8th September will be offered for Delia McMonagle, Urris and Bunrana, on her month's mind. May she rest in peace.

SAINTS OF THE WEEK

Tuesday: St Gregory the Great, Pope and doctor of the Church
 Wednesday: St Mac Nissi, Friday: First Friday of the month.

BAPTISMS

We welcome into God's family through holy baptism Emory Ellen Lees, Cloontagh and Alana Mary McLaughlin, Dunaff.

SYMPATHY

We offer sincere sympathy to the family and friends of Jim Hart, Glentogher, Carndonagh who died during the week. May he rest in peace.

COLLECTION

Parish collection last weekend amounted to €2,020
 Thank you for your continued generosity.

DOWNSYNDROM COLLECTION

Annual Church Gate Collection will be taken up this weekend
 Saturday 31st Aug & Sunday 1st Sept after all masses.

VOCATIONS

We pray for those hoping to serve the diocese as priests, that they will do what the word of God tells them (St James, 2nd reading), and that they will honour the Lord and serve His people with hearts that are pure.

SACRED HEART MESSENGERS

Are available at the back of the altar in St Mary's for Sept.

MENS ROSARY

In Malin Town on Saturday 7th September at 1pm.

LOST/ FOUND

Money was found outside Centre, Clonmany on Thursday 29th September—owner can contact the parish office 0749376114

NOWDOC

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

Clonmany Parish Newsletter

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CLONMANY ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

As the new school year approaches if there is any family in need of financial support with books, uniforms, shoes etc. from primary school through to third level please contact 0862388789 or any member of St Vincent De Paul. All matters will be dealt with in the strictest confidence.

125 YEARS PIONEER TOTAL ABSTINENCE ASSOCIATION MASS

This year we are celebrating 125 years of the foundation of Pioneer Total Abstinence Association of the Sacred Heart. Ulster Provincial Pioneer Council will hold their Mass on Sunday 8th September at 12noon in St Micheal's Church, Darling Street, Enniskillen.
 All Pioneers, friends and families are very welcome.

CRAFT FAIR

Every Saturday from 11am - 2pm in Men's Shed Carndonagh starting 7th September. Everyone is very welcome. Refreshments served.
 If you would like to book a table please contact Deborah on 083 842 2088

SVP TRIP TO KNOCK

The Annual SVP pilgrimage to Knock is on Saturday 14th of September. A bus is available running from Carn via Clonmany stopping in Donegal Town for breakfast and again for dinner at a cost of €55 per head. Anyone wishing to book on this trip or get further info please contact 086 2388789 before Wednesday 4th September.

BLESSING OF MOTORCYCLES

All are very welcome to the blessing of motorcycles on Sunday 15th September in St Aengus' Church, Burt at 1:30pm and then bike ride to RNLI Station, Ned's Point, Bunrana for refreshments. Donations on the day in aid of RNLI. Fr Gerry Sweeney will be celebrating Mass in St. Patrick's Chapel, Dungiven, at 11:30am that Sunday morning: any and all bikers are welcome to come along to that Mass and then head to Burt straight after the brief blessing service.



The first day of school brings with it a colourful range of feelings and emotions for both parents and children—first day in junior infants, next chapter as others transition into secondary school, students bracing themselves for a busy year of exams and some major decisions particularly those entering sixth year. Teachers strike a balance of ensuring that each child has an enjoyable first day while letting their class know what will be expected of them during the year. The first day of school does not magically appear in front of our eyes. A lot of preparation is put in both in the school and at home. In the words of Pope Francis 'in education dwells the seed of hope, a hope of peace and justice, a hope of beauty, of goodness; a hope of social harmony'. On the first day of school, like the parable of the mustard seed, seeds of hope are planted, seeds that families and teachers will nourish and see grow over the course of the coming school year.

URRIS GAA CLUB

Reserves Championship R3 Naomh Padraig 0-6 Urris 3-6
 Senior Ladies Championship: Robert Emmets 1-6 Urris 0-10
 Fixtures this weekend: Senior men v Lifford at home I, Saturday 6pm
 Senior Reserves v Naomh Ultan at home, Sunday 1.30pm
 Senior ladies v Kilcar at home. Sunday 10.30am
 Club Lotto 22nd August Numbers drawn 4,11,24,25—no jackpot winners €20 winners: Aaron Friel, Ballyliffin; Cathal Toland, Gaddyduff; Pauline Mc Daid (B), Glebe; Ruby & Mason Long, Dunree; Maria Mc Nicholas, Glebe. Honk your Horn Bingo on Thursday night in the chapel car park at 7.30pm. Congratulations to Sean McDaid & Brian Doherty & the Donegal Masters team on their semi final win. They play London in the All Ireland plate final Best of luck to U16 Boys team who play Termon on Sunday in the All County Div 2 final. Venue St Mary's Convoy at 7.30pm. All support welcome. .

CLONMANY SHAMROCKS CLUB

Lotto Numbers: 26/08/24—03,05,18,20. No winner of our Jackpot €2,500
 Our next draw will be on 26/08/24 and the Jackpot will be €2,525.
 €20 Prizes went to: Laura McGinty, Stranorlar; George & Susan Harkin, Annaugh; Janet McEleney, Minaduff.
 Results: 22nd Aug: I.W.L Clonmany Shamrocks Ladies 6 Dunree Utd Ladies 1
 Congratulants Caoimhe & girls on your win—clinches league & Cup double
 Sunday 25th August: Clubman Shirts: Clonmany Shamrocks 4 Greencastle 2
 Fixtures: Sunday 1st Sept: Div 2: Glengad Res v Clonmany Res at 11am
 Clubman Shirts League Cup: Bunrana Hearts v Clonmany Shamrocks 2pm

DRUMFRIES WALKING GROUP

Drumfries walking group (The Walkie Talkie's) will meet on Friday 6th September at the Shore Front carpark at 10am— all welcome.
 Yoga with Cathy King is commencing on Monday 2nd September from 7-8pm, contact Cathy on 0877112284 to book a place.
 OM coaching is running a Beginners Meditation Class, in which you can learn powerful meditation techniques that you can use in everyday life. Starting on Tuesday 3rd September for 6 weeks from 7-8pm at a cost of €60. To book contact Orla directly on 00447867387693 or email admin@orlamariecoach.com.

CLONMANY TUG-O-WAR CLUB

Annual General Meeting In the club house on Friday 13th Sept at 8pm.



MOST PEOPLE THINK IT'S NONSENSE.

BUT WHAT IF IT'S NOT, AND IT TURNS OUT ... THERE REALLY IS A JUDGEMENT?

Recent research shows that (many) Catholics believe it can be narrowed down to this: "Good people go to heaven when they die." And 'good' isn't even a hard ask – it basically means that we're not a Hitler, or a serial killer. So, we're probably a good person ... and good people go to heaven when they die.

But is that a given? It is Jesus himself who says:

Enter by the narrow gate, since the road that leads to destruction is wide and spacious, and many take it; but it is a narrow gate and a hard road that leads to life, and only a few find it. (Matthew 7:13– 14).

In fact, the scriptures, and our Church, teach that there is a pathway (some might call it 'conditions'), necessary to enter heaven – all from the words of Jesus.

- **Baptism** is a condition. (*The Spirit which believers are to receive ... John 7:39*)
- **Eucharist** is a condition. (*Anyone who does eat my flesh and drink my blood has eternal life ... John 6:54*)
- **Faith** is a condition. (*In all truth I tell you, everyone who believes has eternal life ... John 6:47*)
- **Witness** is a condition. (*Only those who do the will of my Father in heaven will have eternal life ... Matthew 7:21*)

We notice that not one of these says you need to be a good person. Is it possible the widespread belief that we just naturally, somehow, grow into heaven is a bit presumptuous?

Baptism is an invitation to Eternal Life, but we must give a response. For instance, we may receive an invite to a wedding, and want to go – but if we don't respond to it, and don't turn up ... 'wanting' doesn't do anything!

There's a whole other response for those who don't know about Jesus ... but for those who choose baptism, a response is also needed. And in giving our response, the question that each one of us has to answer, personally, is ... what am I doing? Or maybe it is all nonsense – because, after all, "Good people go to heaven when they die." Don't they?

Fr Kevin