

Jesus loves *me*.
He died for *me*.

Why didn't
someone tell
me this?

The tear-filled words
of Sr Clare at her
conversion to faith.

HOLY WEEK

All or Nothing!!



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PARISH MASS AND PRAYER SCHEDULE—HOLY WEEK ST MARY'S CHURCH, CLONMANY

- Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday—9:30am
- Holy Thursday—7:00pm Evening Mass
- Good Friday—3:00pm Good Friday Ceremonies
- Holy Saturday—9:00pm Easter Vigil Mass
- Easter Sunday: 11:30am Mass

ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH, URRIS

- Holy Thursday—8pm Evening Mass followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 10pm
- Good Friday—3pm Good Friday Ceremonies
- Easter Sunday: 10am Mass

ORATORY OF THE ASSUMPTION, BALLYLIFFIN

- Tuesday : *Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament* 7:30—8:30pm

ORATORY, ST COLUMBILLE VILLAGE, CLEAGH

- Wednesday : *Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament* 3pm-4pm

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEKEND

6:30pm Vigil Mass—Susan & Michael Noone, Cloontagh
11:30am Mass— Sheila Doherty, Adderville—1st Anniv.

ANNIVERSARIES

Annie Gill & Benny Doherty, Cloontagh; Patrick Kelly,
Ellie McLaughlin & Bridget McDaid, Isle of Doagh.

BAPTISM

We welcome into God's family through holy baptism
Saorlá Clare Harkin, Annaugh.

PARISH COLLECTION

Parish collection last weekend amounted to €1,930.
Thank you for your generosity.

NOWDOC 6pm Friday—8am Monday Call 0818400911



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WELCOME HOME!



THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

- ♦ Saint Mary's
- ♦ 13th April
- ♦ 6 pm.



DAY OF PRAYER FOR MARRIAGE AND FAMILY LIFE

Tomorrow Monday 14th April is our Day of Prayer for Marriage and Family Life. Proposed Theme: All Families. On 14th of each month, our parish of Clonmany prays for the 24 hours for Marriage and Family Life. This is part of a Movement of Continuous Prayer for Marriage and Family Life as other parishes and groups take on the prayer for the other days of the month. Everyone is invited to join in this prayer either by taking on an hour, or by including this intention in their own prayer during the day. It is in the home that Christian faith is at its best and sometimes also at its worst. The home is a community that is rooted in love. It is also a community that is committed to love as its way of life. It is where each person has the best chance to be loved as she or he is; where each one can have freedom to become her or his own unique person – and this is not just about the children! where each one can make mistakes and know that they will be forgiven and even understood. The family cannot find its way on its own. The parish community is vital for the growth and well-being of each family. It is from the parish community that the family can be reminded of the values we hold in following Christ. And it is there also that each family can find support in trying to live out those values of love, generosity and faith.

CLONMANY ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Contact SVP confidential number 086/2388789
Regional Office 074/9173933 or any member of SVP.

CLOONTAGH N.S. have a job vacancy for a Caretaker, four hours per week, If you are interested, please email the school with your expression of interest at office@cloontagh.com by Friday 18th April.

CLONMANY TUG-O-WAR CLUB

Tug of war competition/fundraiser for First Responders in Clonmany Community Centre on Fri 18th April. Weight in at 6pm sharp and pulling starts at 7pm. Tea/coffee and sandwiches available from the kitchen on the night.



OUR PARISH JOURNEY FOR LENT SYCAMORE

An easy and informal journey for
the wondering and the curious and
the doubtful and the searching

NIGHT **5** ON MONDAY 14TH. 7:30 — 8:45

THIS WEEK

A wonderful preparation for
HOLY WEEK.

the FATHER

the SON

the HOLY SPIRIT

our LOVE

our LIGHT

our LIFE

in this (and for us) is the reason for HOLY WEEK

EVEN IF YOU HAVEN'T BEEN BEFORE YOU'RE
WELCOME. "There is no need to 'know'
anything, or say anything."

This Lent ... don't 'give up'
TAKE ON!



ANNUAL CLEAN-UP DAY!

We have our annual clean-up day on Good Friday and we encourage everyone to come out and help – all ages welcome – male & female. Join us at St Mary's Hall, Clonmany or Tiernasligh N.S. at 10am on Friday 18th April where bags, gloves and pickers will be available or feel free to pick up in your own area. Please come out and help clean-up our beautiful country side and be sure to wear high-viz clothing and keep safe.

SUNRISE WALK 2025

Join us on Saturday May 3rd at 3.30am as we take in the amazing views from Binnion beach to Tullagh beach and back. This peaceful early morning walk is a great way to start your day while supporting a great cause! Tea, coffee and refreshments on Binnion beach car park afterwards. All donations this year will go to Clonmany Community First Responders, helping them to maintain essential medical equipment and replenish their emergency response bags ***Please note the date change from previous years. Lastly, a special thank you to Mamie Grant for providing ground for parking - without this it simply wouldn't be possible. Everyone welcome- no registration required -just turn up!

CLONMANY SHAMROCKS CLUB

Lotto Numbers on 08/04/25—06,08,11,17. No jackpot winner. Our next draw is on 14/04/25 and the Jackpot will be €1650. €20 Prizes: Roisin Smith, Redcastle; Cahir Doherty, Roadside, Cloontagh; Carol Ivers, Dunaff. Fixtures: Sun 13th Clubman Shirts Cup S/F: Buncrana Hearts v Clonmany Shamrocks at 2pm
Div 2A: Cockhill Colts v Clonmany Res at 11am.
Results: Sun 6th Premier Div: Clonmany Shamrocks 0 Cockhill Celtic 3. Inish Grass Shield Q/F: Cockhill Res 0 Clonmany Res 1. The April 200 Club Draw will take place on Mon 28th April.

NO OTHER NAME

As we come to Holy Week — for believers the most sacred time of the year — an incident on TV during the week told us a lot about our Church in Ireland. Some guests from England were on a show, and one commented 'Oh, I can't say that in holy Catholic Ireland'. The response from the interviewer was revealing. 'Oh, all that has changed now', she said, and there was a bit of a laugh among everybody. The tone was gleeful that we don't have that embarrassing superstition anymore.

Also, recently I met a lovely couple who are to be married. And I explained to them that we can have the wedding within a Mass or outside of a Mass. And straight away they said, 'Oh, we'll have it outside the Mass because ... *it'll mostly be young people at it.*' In other words, to their thinking, what we believe is seen as largely irrelevant to them and their peers.

This is what secularism does. It promotes a vision of life which excludes GOD. And it presents our values and beliefs as a fantasy. So when parents say to me, as they often do, how concerned they are that none of their family come to Mass or share our faith, this is a primary reason. The rampant religion of secularism is seen as very attractive, because it promises instant gratification. But it is a house of cards.

Secularism has nothing to say to the restless yearning of our human heart, and what Jesus calls 'The peace the world cannot give'.

It is the death of Jesus that, alone, says everything about that 'Peace', and who we are. Because **There is NO OTHER NAME by which we can be saved** (Acts 4:12).

An tAth. Caoimhín