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**PARISH MASS AND PRAYER SCHEDULE**

**ST MARY'S CHURCH, CLONMANY**

- Monday—Thursday 9:30am Mass
- Friday: 7:30pm Mass —Confessions from 7pm
- Saturday 6:30pm V Mass—Confessions from 6pm
- Sunday: 11:30am Mass
- Wednesday: *Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament 2:30pm—3:30pm in the room behind the Sanctuary*

**ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH, URRIS**

- Sunday: 10am Mass
- Friday: *Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 3-6pm*

**ORATORY OF THE ASSUMPTION, BALLYLIFFIN**

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

**MASS INTENTION THIS WEEKEND**

10am Mass—Michael Doherty, Dunaff.

**ANNIVERSARIES**

Lucy Boyce, Chapel Glen & Willie Harkin, Altahalla.

**DIVINE MERCY DEVOTIONS**

In St Mary's Church, Clonmany, today Sunday 12th April at 3pm. All welcome.

**VOCATIONS**

On this Divine Mercy Sunday we pray for our seminarians and the future priests of the diocese as we hear Jesus sending the disciples out in the power of His Holy Spirit to preach a message of forgiveness of sins and the Good News of the Resurrection of Jesus from the dead.

**COLLECTIONS**

Parish collection last weekend amounted to €2,305. The Annual collection for Trócaire amounted to €5,015. If you wish to contribute to Trócaire you can drop your envelope in the basket at the weekend. Thank you for your generosity to both collections.

**MOVEMENT OF CONTINUOUS PRAYER FOR MARRIAGE AND FAMILY LIFE—TUESDAY 14TH APRIL.**

The theme of this reflection is **All Families**. During April we pray for all families of every combination that God will bless their love for one another and their life of faith together and that God will also bless all our parishes with the grace of families alive with faith, hope, and love.

**LEGION OF MARY**

Recite the rosary every Sunday evening at 6pm at the Grotto beside St Mary's Church. All are welcome.

**NOWDOC** 6pm Friday—8am Monday—Call 0818400911



# Clonmany Parish Newsletter

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**PARISH CONFIRMATION DAY**

This Saturday, 18 April, we welcome Bishop Donal McKeown to our parish to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation in St. Mary's Church, Clonmany at 11am. As a parish community we pray for the children who will receive the sacrament and their families.

**CONFIRMATION PRAYER**

Lord, You send out Your Spirit to touch the hearts of all people, so that they may believe in You and in Jesus whom You sent. Look kindly on all candidates for Confirmation as they listen to Your voice. Open their hearts to Your Spirit and bring to fulfilment the good work that You have begun in them. As we prepare these children for Confirmation, make each of us an instrument of Your love. Teach us to appreciate what is holy in us, and to be patient with what we do not understand. Deepen our faith in the Gospel and help us to pass it on by our example. We pray that You will continue to guide us and sustain us. Through Christ our Lord, Amen.

**INISHOWEN MEDICAL**

Would like to invite everyone in our community to a free talk in the Exchange, Bunrana on Wed. April 15 at 7pm. Spring Sneezing Season! Hay-fever advice and management—Dr. Paul Van Dessel.

**MICROSUCTION ADVERT**

Inishowen Medical offer both our patients and non-patients microsuction—a newer and more patient friendly way of clearing wax from ears. It is considered comfortable for the patient and can be used if there is a history of perforations. Tel. 0749361800 / 07476173.

**CLEANER REQUIRED**

for the High Support Unit, Columbcille Village, Cleagh. It is morning's only and days will vary, usually 3 hours. Saturday and Sunday mornings will also be required, (4 hours each day), but not every weekend. Send CV's to [info@clonmanymentalhealth.ie](mailto:info@clonmanymentalhealth.ie) or contact 074 93 78710 for more information.

**CLONMANY PARISH RESOURCES**

Vacancy for one Grounds Person / Caretaker: Duties to include: Lining & Pitch Maintenance, Cutting Grass & Strimming, Caretaking, Painting, litter management, upkeep of building and surrounding grounds at Rashenny Football Club. For eligibility Information, please email: CEREFNW@welfare.ie / Clonmany Parish Resources CE Office on: Tel: 074 9376903 email: clonmanyprl@gmail.com

**CHARITY BINGO**

In aid of MARY'S MEALS on Thursday 16th April in The Inishowen Gateway Hotel, Bunrana. Doors open 7.30pm. Eyes Down 8.30pm. €2,500 must go on the night! Plus Raffle and great prizes.

**CLONMANY SHAMROCKS NEWS**

Lotto Numbers 02/04/2026— 07,10,13,19. No jackpot winner. €20 Prizes: Alex McFadden, Mindoran; Pauline McDaid, Glebe; D. Maher, Urris. Next draw on Thursday 09/04/2026—Jackpot €15,000. Deadline for physical Lotto envelopes for draw is Tuesday at 6pm. Lotto envelopes entered after this are entered into the following week's draw. Online entries can still be entered up to 7pm on the day of the draw. Online entries after this time are automatically entered into the following week's draw. Online link to Club Profile on Klubfunder <https://hub.klubfunder.com/> Tickets available for collection and return at Centra, Clonmany & Mac Tam's.

Results: Sunday 05/04/2026 FAI Junior Cup Clonmany Shamrocks 1 Kildrum Tigers 3  
Div 2A: Illies Res v Clonmany Res (Postponed)  
Wednesday 08/04/2026: Premier Div :  
Bunrana Hearts 0 Clonmany Shamrocks 2  
Fixtures: Sunday 12/04/2026: Div 2A  
Clonmany Reserves v Carrowmena @ 11am

**SLIABH SNEACHT CENTRE**

Drumfries Walking Group (The Walkie Talkie's) will meet on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> April at the Shore Front car park at 10am—everyone welcome Weekly drop in Craft Class (Sewing /Embroidery/ Knitting) No tutor, just a group of like minded people supporting each other while enjoying a cup of tea and a chat. Beginning 15<sup>th</sup> April from 10:30am-12:30pm, bring your own materials and sewing machine. €3 per day—contact the centre on 0749361742 for more info. New 6 week block of chair yoga starting Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April—for more info or to book contact Marie on 0872962646.

## Living doubts and dead certainties. Learning from St Thomas.

In Dublin city centre, there is a Unitarian Church on St Stephen's Green. Once, they had a poster which said simply: *I prefer living doubts to dead certainties*. A nice play on words, because a dead certainty seems to be something desirable, especially in sports and betting. But in this case, living doubts are better than dead certainties. It is an arresting thought — today's Gospel reading reminded me of the poster.

Our Gospel today is remembered as the story of doubting Thomas — this in spite of the fact that Thomas makes the most resounding act of faith in Jesus in the whole Gospel of John. It should really be remembered as a story of faith — believing Thomas. But that will never catch on, simply because we identify more readily with the figure of doubt — just a bit nearer to our experience.

When it comes to faith and doubt, it is not either/or. We are not either doubting Thomas or believing Thomas. Instead, we inhabit both realities, within ourselves, in a living tension. To put it in other words, it is not that we believe in spite of doubts but rather it is because of our living doubts that we take the leap of faith.

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