



# Bodyke and Tuamgraney Parish News



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MASS TIMES		
<b>Saturday Vigil</b>	Tuamgraney	6.30pm
<b>Sunday Morning</b>	Bodyke	9.30am
<b>Wednesday</b>	Tuamgraney	10.00am
<b>Friday</b>	Bodyke	10.00am
<b>Saturday</b>	Raheen Hospital	2.00pm
<b>Wednesday</b>	Raheen Hospital	10.45am

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

29th September 2024

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## THIS WEEK'S MASSES & ANNIVERSARIES

### Tuamgraney - St. Joseph's Church

Saturday 28th September 6.30pm Rita O'Brien - Month's Mind  
 Wednesday 2nd October 10.00am Mass  
 Saturday 5th October 6.30pm Helen O'Brien - 1st Anniversary

### Bodyke - Church of the Assumption

Sunday 29th September 9.30am Pa and Mary O'Halloran  
 Paddy and Bridie Long  
 Friday 4th October 10.00am First Friday Mass  
 Sunday 6th October 9.30am Mass

**Please note:** There will be a change to parish office opening hours next week. See panel on right for details.

*"Everything in this life has a purpose. All events are given to us to learn from".  
 THINK ABOUT IT!*

*Our Bodyke & Tuamgraney Parish Child Protection Representatives can be contacted through the Parish Office*

The Parish Office is located in the TUAMGRANEY PARISH HOUSE

Opening hours this:

- Monday Sept 30th 9am to 12.30
- Tuesday Oct 1st 9am to 12.30

Contact number - 087 1498763

Please call the number above with newsletter items, to be issued with sacramental certificates, to book anniversary masses or to get Mass Cards & Bouquets.

### Yellow Envelope Contributions

Week ended 22nd September  
 €526.42

*Thank you for your continued kind and generous support.*

## Lay Ministers

5th/6th October 2024  
 (27th Sunday in Ordinary Time)

### Tuamgraney

Reader: Damian Heaney  
 Eucharist: Damian Heaney


### Bodyke

Reader: Marese Tuohy  
 Eucharist: Biddy Hogan



Eucharistic Adoration takes place in Tuamgraney Church on Wednesdays from just **after 10am Mass until 2pm**. You are Adoration welcome to visit the Blessed Sacrament during these hours. If you would like to volunteer some of your time during those hours contact 087 4129805.

Webcam service is now operational in the parish. Weekend Masses, Holy Day Masses and Funerals will be broadcast. Other services may be broadcast from time to time. You can access the service at:  
<https://www.churchcamlive.ie/bodyke-tuamgraney>  
 or click on the link on our parish website

 We extend our sympathy to Tommy Melody, Coolreagh, and Helena Walsh, Caherhurley, on the recent death of their aunt, Nora May Moroney (née Melody), Caher. May she rest in peace.



## PARISH NOTES



### Current Inis Cealtra Area Weekend Mass Times

#### Vigil (Saturday)

Tuamgraney 6.30pm  
 Mountshannon 7pm  
 Kilclaren (Feakle) 7pm  
 Flagmount 6pm  
 Scariff 8pm  
 St Molua's Ogonnelloe 8pm

#### Sunday Morning

Clonusker (Scariff) 9am  
 Bodyke 9.30am  
 Feakle 10am  
 Killanena 10am  
 Scariff 11am  
 St Mary's Ogonnelloe 11am  
 Whitegate 10am

A trip to climb **Croagh Patrick** is planned for Saturday October 19th. People who are interested in travelling can contact Sinéad on 086 8129597.

**BAT Community Council has vacancies** on their community employment scheme. The positions are based in Bodyke and Tuamgraney. Duties include general maintenance, grass cutting. If interested please contact 087 7469760 for further information. To be eligible for this position in general you should be in receipt of a DSP payment in your own right for a period of not less than 12 months.



The **Priest's October** envelope collection will be taken up at Masses next weekend, October 5th and 6th.

### Saints / Feast Days this week

- Monday 30th: St Jerome
- Tuesday 1st: St Thérèse of the Child Jesus
- Wednesday 2nd: The Holy Guardian Angels
- Thursday 3rd: Blessed Columba Marmion
- Friday 4th: St Francis of Assisi
- Saturday 5th: St Faustina Kowalska.

### Appeal for Altar Servers

Any girl or boy from 3rd class up is invited to consider the ministry of Altar Serving. Parents or grandparents are asked to explain to their child/grandchild the role of an altar boy or girl. Application forms are available from Fr Kieran or from the parish office. Training will be provided to all who apply.

Below is an excerpt from **Pope Francis Laudate Deum.**

*'The ethical decadence of real power is disguised thanks to marketing and false information, useful tools in the hands of those with greater resources to employ them to shape public opinion. With the help of these means, whenever plans are made to undertake a project involving significant changes in the environment or high levels of contamination, one raises the hopes of the people of that area by speaking of the local progress that it will be able to generate or of the potential for economic growth, employment and human promotion that it would mean for their children. Yet in reality there does not seem to be any true interest in the future of these people, since they are not clearly told that the project will result in the clearing of their lands, a decline in the quality of their lives, a desolate and less habitable landscape lacking in life, the joy of community and hope for the future; in addition to the global damage that eventually compromises many other people as well.*

*This situation has to do not only with physics or biology, but also with the economy and the way we conceive it. The mentality of maximum gain at minimal cost, disguised in terms of reasonableness, progress and illusory promises, makes impossible any sincere concern for our common home and any real preoccupation about assisting the poor and the needy discarded by our society. In recent years we can note that, astounded and excited by the promises of any number of false prophets, the poor themselves at times fall prey to the illusion of a world that is not being built for them'.*

Congratulations to David Melody, son of Tommy and Mary from Coolreagh, who has been recognised as one of Ireland's most promising farmers at the annual FBD young farmer of the year competition. He won the career farm management category at the awards.



There will be a **Tractor and Truck Run** on this Sunday, September 29th, at 12.30pm from the Cobbler's Rest Bodyke with registration from 11.30am. Entry fee is €20. Maurice Costelloe will be making his 18th trip to South Africa to build and renovate school classrooms in the townships. All support would be greatly appreciated.



Bodyke GAA Lotto is now online at [www.klubfunder.com/Clubs/bodykegaa/lotto](http://www.klubfunder.com/Clubs/bodykegaa/lotto)

There was no Jackpot winner of the September 16th draw. The next draw is on Monday 30th September at 9pm. **The jackpot is €14,300.** Cut off time for purchasing online lotto tickets is 10pm on Sunday 29th September. Any lotto tickets purchased online after this time will be entered into the next draw.

A weekend of traditional music with céilís, concert and music sessions continues in **Cnoc na Gaoithe Tulla** until this Sunday 29th September. Concert on Saturday 28th features the wonderful folk duo of Ger O'Donnell & Trevor Sexton at 8pm, doors at 7.30. Tickets €20 available from Tulla Pharmacy, Cnoc na Gaoithe 087 8350996 or online from [tickettailor.com](http://tickettailor.com) Closing session on Sunday at 6.30 pm with Aidan Quigney, Ciara Tighe, Sara Fox, Aine & Cushla Murphy, Stephen Kennedy & friends. All welcome.

### Health & Wellbeing Age Expo

The Clare Older People's Council and the Clare Age Friendly Programme are hosting a Health & Wellbeing Age Expo during Positive Ageing Week to showcase the supports and services available for older people living in County Clare. The Expo will be taking place on Thursday October 3rd from 11am to 4pm in Treacy's West County Hotel, Ennis. All are welcome.

**Supporting Foreign Missions:** There is a box at the back of the churches in both Tuamgraney and Bodyke for the collection of old spectacles, old rosary beads and old stamps. Any unwanted brown coin would be a great help. Thank you for your continued support.



A blessing for expectant mothers will be held in Tulla Church on Friday 4th October at 7pm. This is a special evening for mothers to be and for all family members. It is an event for all East Clare parishes. There will be time for a cup of tea and a chat afterwards.

## Reflection

### Children

*Jesus warned those who would lead the little ones astray but he blessed those who care for them.*

*One of the most touching things about children is their openness.*

*But this same openness leaves them extremely vulnerable.*

*They may not say much but they feel everything.*

*They are like crocuses*

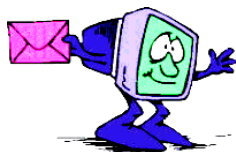
*which appear in the open in February -*

*frail, delicate, beautiful creatures - innocents abroad in an unpredictable climate.*

*If they are embraced by the sun, they will bloom to their full potential.*

*But if they are assailed by hail, they will die a premature death.*

*Love is to a child what sunshine is to a flower.*



**Newsletter Deadline:** News items for inclusion in the Parish Newsletter should be with the Parish Office by **9.00am on Thursday.**

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