



# Bodyke and Tuamgraney Parish News



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MASS TIMES - December 2024		
<b>Saturday Vigil</b>	Tuamgraney	6.30pm
<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

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Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

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## THIS WEEK'S MASSES & ANNIVERSARIES

### Tuamgraney - St. Joseph's Church

Saturday 28th December 6.30pm Noreen O'Brien - Month's Mind  
 Wednesday 1st January 10.00am Mass

### Bodyke - Church of the Assumption

Friday 3rd January 10.00am Mass  
 Sunday 5th January 9.30am Angela Gurnett

*Due to the reduced number of weekend masses in the parish at present, Anniversary Masses will more than likely have to be shared going forward. We appreciate your understanding in this regard.*

The Parish Office is located in the TUAMGRANEY PARISH HOUSE  
 Opening hours are:

- Tuesdays 9am to 12.30pm
- Thursdays 9am to 12.30pm

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 December  
 €1,425.51

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

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

## • Lay Ministers •

### Weekend of the Baptism of the Lord Bodyke, Sunday January 5th 9.30am

**Reader:** Teresa Kennedy  
**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.  
*Eucharistic Adoration in Tuamgraney Church takes place in the room space near the sacristy.*

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

*"You are one of a kind,  
 therefore no one can really predict  
 to what heights you might soar.  
 Even you will not know until you spread your wings".  
 THINK ABOUT IT!*



## PARISH NOTES



### Inis Cealtra Area Weekend Mass Times January 2025

#### Vigil (Saturday)

Scariff 6.30pm  
 Kilclaren 7pm

#### Sunday Morning

Bodyke 9.30am  
 Flagmount 9.30am  
 Scariff 11am  
 St Mary's Ogonnelloe 11am  
 Whitegate 11am

### Inis Cealtra Area Weekend Mass Times February 2025

#### Vigil (Saturday)

Tuamgraney 6.30pm  
 Mountshannon 7pm  
 St Molua's Ogonnelloe 8pm

#### Sunday Morning

Clonusker (Scariff) 9am  
 Killanena 9.30am  
 Feakle 10am  
 Scariff 11am



We extend our sincere sympathy to Óg Dobson and family on the death of her father, Maurice Cunningham, Dalkey, Co. Dublin, whose funeral took place last week. May he rest in peace.

Sick or housebound parishioners who would like a First Friday call from the priest, or those who would like to arrange a hospital visit for a sick relative are asked to call the parish office on 087 1498763.

A sincere "Thank You" is extended to everybody who worked for the good of the parish and community throughout 2024. Thanks also to all who helped in any way with the celebration of Christmas ceremonies, to those who decorated the two churches and to all who participated in every way. May such service towards each other continue in creative and renewed ways.

### Wlecomg to God's Familg



The Christian Community welcomes with joy Patrick Kelleher who was baptised last weekend. We pray for him and his family as he begins his journey of faith.

**Bodyke Nollaig na mBan** - Gathering for ladies of all ages on Monday January 6th at 7pm in Bodyke GAA Clubhouse. Join us for a cuppa and a chat. Queries 089 7017460.

As we enter into a New Year, the late Brendan Kennelly's lovely poem "Begin" is an apt reflection for this January:

*Begin again to the summoning birds  
to the sight of the light at the window,  
begin to the roar of morning traffic  
all along Pembroke Road.*

*Every beginning is a promise  
born in light and dying in dark  
determination and exaltation of springtime  
flowering the way to work.*

*Begin to the pageant of queuing girls  
the arrogant loneliness of swans in the canal  
bridges linking the past and future  
old friends passing though with us still.*

*Begin to the loneliness that cannot end  
since it perhaps is what makes us begin,  
begin to wonder at unknown faces  
at crying birds in the sudden rain*

*at branches stark in the willing sunlight  
at seagulls foraging for bread  
at couples sharing a sunny secret  
alone together while making good.*

*Though we live in a world that dreams of ending  
that always seems about to give in  
something that will not acknowledge conclusion  
insists that we forever begin.*

**Padre Pio Calendars 2025** (€ 3 each) are currently on sale at O'Meara's totalhealth Pharmacy, Scariff. Calendars are also available by contacting Eilish at 087 6021661.

Would you like someone to talk to over the Christmas Season? SeniorLine is Ireland's national telephone service for older people open every day of the year 10am -10pm, Freephone 1800 80 45 91. SeniorLine's older volunteers are trained to listen, to support and refer to other helpful services if necessary. So don't be alone and lift the phone. Phone SeniorLine 1800 80 45 91.

### Saints / Feast Days this week

- Tuesday 31st: St Sylvester I, Pope
- Wednesday 1st: Mary, the Holy Mother of God; World Day of Peace
- Thursday 2nd: St Basil the Great; St Gregory Nazianzen
- Friday 3rd: St Munchin; The Most Holy Name of Jesus
- Saturday 4th: St Elizabeth Ann Seton.

**Grow Mental Health:** Friendly Community based groups for anyone experiencing a mental health issue through 12 Step program of connection, hope, identity by empowering people to nurture their positive wellbeing by supporting personal growth through education, peer support and self-teaching. Meetings take place in Maria Assumpta Hall, Ennis, on Monday at 7.30pm and Tuesday at 2pm. Contact Celia 086-1526966/Www.grow.ie

**Raheen Day Centre** welcomes new referrals at any time. If you or someone you know would like to avail of this service where you can meet people, avail of hairdressing, chiropody, music sessions, advocacy support and a hot meal please call Louise on 061-923215 for further information.



Happy New Year to all parishioners and all visitors to our community. May 2025 be an outflowing of goodness, appreciation and togetherness for us all.

### Reflection

#### Feast of The Holy Family

*God, you gave us families to love us into life,  
And we are grateful for them.*

*We treasure each person in our family,  
Even though at times we are less than ideal  
together.*

*Make your presence felt within our family.*

*Bring goodness and love  
from our pains and struggles,*

*as well as from our happy times.*

*To all parents and guardians, please give vision,  
generosity, forgiveness and courage.*

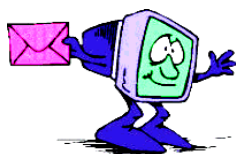
*VISION - so they can see how you are present and  
working in their family,*

*GENEROSITY - so they can love with great hearts,  
FORGIVENESS - so they can heal the inevitable*

*wounds of family life,*

*And COURAGE, for the long haul.*

*Amen.*



**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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