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MOYVANE PARISH NEWSLETTER

INCORPORATING THE CHURCH OF ASSUMPTION MOYVANE AND THE CHURCH OF CORPUS CHRISTI KNOCKANURE

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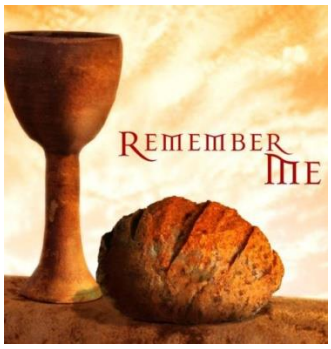
Vigil and Sunday Masses: Sat Jan 23rd and Sun Jan 24th

MOYVANE VIGIL:	Sat 23rd	7.30pm	Fr. Michael Buckley (Anni)
KNOCKANURE:	Sun 24th	10.00am	Sick of the Parish (especially those in hospital)
MOYVANE:	Sun 24th	11.00am	Dick Stack, Moyvane South (Anni)



Weekday Masses: Wednesday 27th – Sunday 31st January

Church of the Assumption Moyvane:

Wed	27th	7.30pm	Michael Moloney, Leitrim Middle (Anni)
Fri	29th	7.30pm	John Joe Hanrahan, Aughrim (1st Anni)
		8.30pm	Anne Cunningham, Kilbaha (Months Mind)
Sat	30th	7.30pm	Ned Moore, Glenalappa (Anni)
Sun	31st	11.00am	Margaret & Connie Shine, Kilbaha (Anni)

The Church of Corpus Christi Knockanure:

Sun	31st	10.00am	Irene O'Keeffe, Kilmorna (Months Mind)

PARISH NOTICES:

PRIEST ON DUTY THIS SUNDAY: **Fr.Padraig Kennelly ☎ 087/2931064. Emergencies only.**

ADORATION: MOYVANE: Sunday 4pm – 5pm & Wed 10am – 7pm. KNOCKANURE: Tues 10am to 6pm.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION: Last weekend your contributions amounted to €1,510.48. Many thanks.

SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN REPRESENTATIVES: Our Parish Representatives for Safeguarding Children are Mary Kennelly, Moyvane 086/0791791 and Margaret Carmody, Knockanure 087/2976304.

PRAYERS & SYMPATHY: To Gerard, Anne and all the Leahy Family, Kilmorna and to the Finucane Family, Keylod on the death of Superintendent Garda Tim Leahy, Kilrush, West Clare. May Tim Rest In Peace.

DO THIS IS MEMORY: We extend a warm welcome to our First Holy Communion children and their families for their special Masses this weekend.

HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE: The Diocese are having a Pilgrimage to the Holy Land led by Bishop Ray Browne on 30th October 2016 for 8 nights. Direct flight from Shannon, coach transfers from Kerry. Cost €1,575 sharing. Enquires to Janice O'Sullivan ☎ 064/7758219 or e-mail joskdp@eircom.net – Limited availability.

PASTORAL AREA MEETING: Rearranging Masses in the Pastoral Area- Canon Declan our V.F. has suggested the following changes in Mass times: LISTOWEL VIGIL moves from 7.30pm to 6.15pm. MOYVANE SUNDAY 11am Mass moves to 12noon. Please let me know pronto if this change is acceptable and practical because if the changes come in, they will be in place for the changing of the clocks at the end of March.

PARISH RADIO LINK: We have installed new transmitters in both Churches and upgraded the wiring plus new filling. Please let us know how the signal is in your part of the Parish. New radios can be purchased for €30. Names to Jacqueline in the Parish Office if you need a radio.

WELCOME HOME SEÁN: Seán Jones from Aughrim is back on mid-term from Maynooth. Seán, this is a very special year for you, your loving family and for all of us in the Parish. We are very proud of you. Very many thanks for your generous and whole-hearted involvement in our Parish celebrations. Seán, please God will be ordained Deacon on the Feast of Corpus Christi in Maynooth, then later in the year, a date which needs to be finalized (near Christmas) Seán will be ordained in Moyvane Church. Now that's something to look forward to. Enjoy your break Seán☺!

CONFIRMATION: We have 29 young Parishioners for Confirmation. The Sacrament will be celebrated on April 29th. For the month of February we hope to have the following celebrations for our 29 candidates.

Monday Feb 1st - Enrolment Ceremony – Moyvane Church @ 7.30pm.
Monday Feb 8th – You Shall Be My Witness – Moyvane Church @ 7pm.
Monday Feb 15th – You Shall Be My Witness – Knockanure Church @ 7pm.
Monday Feb 22nd – You Shall Be My Witness – Movie & Party @ 7pm – Venue to be confirmed.
Saturday March 12th – Retreat in Ardfert Retreat Centre – 10am to 1pm.

MAKING FORGIVNESS REAL

A couple of days after President Kennedy was tragically gunned down in Dallas, Texas, a Presbyterian Church from the State of Michigan wrote to the wife of Lee Harvey Oswald. They had heard that she wished to stay in America and learn English. They took it upon themselves to write to her and invite her to come to their Community with the promise of finding her a home that she might get a fresh start on her life. Unfortunately, many people both in the local Community and from around the Nation got wind of this plan and began writing many critical letters about their offer to this poor broken widow. One person probably described the situation most correctly when she said; "I never heard of a Church doing anything like this before". She knew that forgiveness is not often found, even in a group of believers who could probably best be called and known as "sinners anonymous". Forgiveness is so hard. The Minister began the painstaking job of answering each letter that came across his desk that was both unkind and critical of the Church's response with great sensitivity. He wrote a letter to each person saying that he fully understood their feelings and emotions about their efforts on behalf of Mrs. Oswald. However, he ended each letter as follows:

"THE ONLY THING YOU HAVE NOT SHOWN US IS THAT WHAT WE HAVE DONE WOULD NOT HAVE BEEN DONE BY OUR LORD AND SAVOUR JESUS CHRIST"

Right now in your life is there someone that it would take a serious act of faith to forgive? Are you seriously willing to try? Or are you happy to leave things as they are?

"FROM HIS WEALTH OF EXPERIENCE HE FORESAW HOW THINGS WOULD BE IN THE FUTURE"

Have you ever thought how our actions today can affect circumstances in the years ahead? Can I place this story before you this weekend for your reflection, a story which illustrates a wonderful example of this: Parishioner young was building a home in rural Ireland, and had reached the stage when he was planning the garden and lawns. There was a lovely elderly gardener in the Parish and he sought his help. The man gave the gardener instructions on where he wanted the apple and walnut trees to be planted. The old gardener listened to the owner's suggestions but did **not** follow them. I have planted the walnut trees where you told me to put the apple trees, and vice versa", he told the owner, "because when they are grown, the walnuts will shade the apple trees". From his wealth of experience he foresaw how the garden would be in year to come. It is very wise to look to the future and consider not just how things will affect us in our lifetime, but how they will affect others in generations to come. I couldn't help but feel a sadness, and a poverty that all our "retired" Priests in our Pastoral Area, who are fantastically generous and helpful in all our Parishes, were not invited or indeed included in our Pastoral Area meeting with Bishop Ray Browne and Fr. Ger Godley on Monday evening last in Lixnaw. Like the wise old gardener in the story, I for one, who am so new in North Kerry, would have cherished the wisdom, ideas and advice they could have shared with all of us as we plan for the future. These are excellent Priests and are welcome to help with Masses, Confessions and other celebrations – even to enjoy the Pastoral Area Christmas Dinner, but they are excluded from Pastoral Area Meetings! I hope, please God this will change. At lease invite them and they are free to accept or decline the invite. We need to give these excellent Priests the choice!!

COMMUNITY NOTICES:

€10 WELL SPENT….AND FEEL SECURE? A new Text Alert Network is up and running in Moyvane. Forms are available from the Creamery, Stacks Butchers, Gala and also after all Masses in Moyvane this weekend. Sign up by giving your mobile number and €10. This text alert will provide information to and from the Gardaí and will alert our Parish when an incident has occurred to deter criminal activity.

ARD CHÚRAM DAY: operating its 3 day week service (Wed, Thurs, Fri) from its new purpose built Centre in the grounds of Listowel Hospital. This centre is now in a position to expand and enhance its services. Anybody aged 65 or over wishing to attend may contact the Nurse Co-ordinator, Margaret Payne at (068)22986, (087)1953631 or any public health nurse.

LISTOWEL BRANCH OF THE IRISH WHEELCHAIR ASSOCIATION: would like to thank you for your very generous contributions to our Church gate collection last weekend which totalled €740.00.