

MOYVANE PARISH NEWSLETTER

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OUR PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

In our Parish people are nourished and inspired by the Word of God. It is a Parish Community where love is tangible and practical. It is a place where people pray together. Our Parish Community is centred on Jesus Christ, on knowing and loving Him. It is incarnated in the love, care, and respect we show to one another.

Vigil and Sunday Masses - Saturday 12th and Sunday 13th January

MOYVANE:	Sat	12 th	7.30pm	Bridget & John Holly, Emma & Jack O'Brien, The Village (Anni)
KNOCKANURE:	Sun	13 th	10.00am	Michelle Foley, Kilmorna (Anni) & her grandad Michael Keane
MOYVANE:			11.00am	John Joe Behan, Aughrim (Anni) & his parents Bridie & Thomas

Church of the Assumption Moyvane: Monday 14th to Sunday 20th January

Mon	14 th	7.30pm	Mary O'Sullivan, Kilbaha (Anni) & deceased of the O'Sullivan family
Wed	16 th	7.30pm	Eileen Collins, Glin Road (Anni)
Thurs	17 th	7.30pm	Catherine Scanlon, Leitrim West (Anni), her husband John & their son Tom
Sat	19 th	7.30pm	Hanna Stack, Clounbrane (1 st Anni) & her husband Richard
Sun	20 th	11.00am	Matthew Thompson, Woodgrove (Months Mind)

Church of Corpus Christi Knockanure: Tuesday 15th to Sunday 20th January

Tues	15 th	7.30pm	Pats Lane, Beenaspug (Anni)
Sun	20 th	10.00am	Irene O'Keefe, Kilmeaney, Kilmorna (Anni)

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PRIEST ON DUTY THIS SUNDAY: Canon Declan O'Connor ☎ 087/0908949. Emergencies only.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: KNOCKANURE: Tuesday 10am - 5pm; MOYVANE: Wednesday 10am - 7pm.

LAST WEEKEND'S COLLECTIONS: Offertory €1,740; Shrines Knockanure €170.08; Dues €435. Very many thanks for your tremendous generosity.

DIOCESAN SECOND COLLECTION: At all Masses this weekend 12th /13th in aid of the Holy Land.

PRAYERS & SYMPATHY: To Mary Cronin, Inchamore on the death of her younger sister Kathleen Mulligan, San Francisco and I/o Inchamore. Funeral will be taking place in the States. To Geraldine Slemon & family on the death of her husband John, Listowel. To Dan & Jim McMahon, Gortaglanna & Athea on the death of their brother Tom in Duagh. Funeral this Saturday 12th. To Bishop Bill Murphy & his brother Fr. Michael Archdeacon, on the death of their sister Sr. Therese (Sheila) Murphy, Carmelite Monastery, Malahide, Co. Dublin whose funeral took place on Friday. May Kathleen, John, Tom & Sr. Therese Rest In Peace.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PREPATION TALK: Aileen Murphy from the Diocese will speak to the parents/guardians of the children making First Holy Communion this May. She will set out a realistic programme inviting parents/guardians to participate fully in the proposed programme. This will involve various tasks and commitments by parents/guardians to be fully involved in both commitment and actions in ensuring your child is fully prepared to receive Jesus next May. I wish to thank and compliment both schools who are journeying with the children in preparing them for their big day. The meeting will take place in Moyvane Church on Tuesday 22nd January at 7.30pm. It is important that all parents/guardians attend. Children are not to attend as this is for the parents/guardians only. If you cannot attend contact the Parish Office ☎ 49308.





PEACE IS SEEING A SUNSET AND KNOWING WHOM TO THANK

At the end of one year and the start of another, I think we all look back on the dying year, but also on our entire life. We have tears, but thankfully many, many smiles too. Life can only be understood backwards but it must be lived forwards. I recall with great joy a beautiful experience I had while working in the States some years ago. Something miraculous happened while walking on a busy footpath - the sunset - and nobody noticed it except a handful of observant Jews who got the message it was time for prayer. The utter beauty of what had happened was not that something strikingly unusual had occurred but precisely that something utterly ordinary had happened. Those Jewish folk that evening saw more than the sunset. Faith is precious. A faith system attuned to the natural world, celebrates the orderliness that makes our lives liveable: sunrise and sunset, the changing of the seasons, water boiling at a particular temperature, the list is endless. These sensitive times are golden moments for each of us to reclaim a sense of wonder, lest we live our lives in too narrow an emotional range. Religion is born in a sense of wonder. I am learning more and more to appreciate the miraculous gifts given freely to me by God (indeed to each and every one of us). Keep a close eye on nature these January days - and when touched by the beauty and wonder of that moment, get in touch with a loving God who made it all. Make your January days a time to reclaim your sense of wonder in God everyday.

TIME IS SO PRECIOUS - VALUE IT

January is named from the Roman God Janus, who has two faces: one facing back, one forward. Janus presents the Roman preoccupation with the nature of time itself. The past is treasured and celebrated but also lamented and regretted; the future is eagerly anticipated ripe with potential and opportunity, but being unknown it is also feared. Suspended between what has been and what is to come, we experience time with that uniquely human pain and puzzlement. It is simultaneously burden and gift. Time weights heavy on us; and yet we recognise it, if we are wise it is the most precious thing we have. The Christmas Gospels we have just enjoyed proclaims one who came "in the fullness of time" This one brought a total newness by bringing Himself. That fullness means time is eternally new. The Janus faces of New Year communicate an important truth: we are not now what we can be. But those faces show the sadness of our modern day culture which fails to recognise that our restless longing cannot be drowned in mad materialism and awful social media of today. We carry our phones, iPads and tablets with us everywhere while sitting and talking. We haven't time for each other. We are forever running from emptiness of time. This longing cannot be made to go away, but neither is it a curse or insatiable thirst. Rather it is a promise. It is inscribed in us a sign and a pledge. We are oriented towards a gift of fullness we can receive only from beyond ourselves. This fullness cannot be brought, sold or owned. It is a gift already freely given. Christmas is the real New Year. My window lights, our cribs and trees are still up this Sunday. It's the Baptism of Jesus. Christmas is not over - it has only just begun. Happy January to you all.

JIMMY'S NANO NAGLE FUNDRAISER

Our enthusiastic and special Jimmy Collins, Glin Road always puts so much effort and energy into his annual Nano Nagle Fund raiser in Mairead's Bar and this year was no exception raising €1,500 for the Nano Nagle Centre in Listowel. Jimmy wishes to thank each and everyone who has helped and support the event.

NOTICES

IRISH WHEELCHAIR ASSOCIATION: Annual Church Gate Collection next weekend 19th / 20th January.

ARDFERT RETREAT CENTRE ☎ 066/7134276: Suitable for daytime prayer & reflection.

Christian Spiritual Development Course-The Beatitudes: Fr. Seán Sheehy - Wed 16th Jan. 7.30pm-9pm.

Be Still and Know: Fr. Louis Hughes O.P. Saturday 9th February, 2019 - 10.00am - 4.00pm.

HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE 2019: There will be a great opportunity to walk in the footsteps of Jesus this coming October with a Pilgrimage to the Holy Land organised by JWT from October 23rd for 8 nights. Cost €1,685 pps inc. Contact the Parish Office for further details.

CRIBS: We have left the Wise Men and the Shepherds with Mary, Joseph and baby Jesus until his Baptism today. Cribs come down this coming week. Many thanks for your visits and generous offerings to the Crib.