

Fr. Kevin McNamara, P.P. ☎ 089/4044816. Presbytery & Office ☎ 068/49308; Secretary: Jacqueline. Assumption Radio 99.9fm from Moyvane Church only. In light of the news last Monday of the huge increase in C19 cases and the fact that at the Doorway of Hope, many had travelled outside their 5km limit, the Doorway of Hope will cease for the time being. However, all Masses listed for Moyvane will be celebrated from the Church and can be heard on Assumption Radio 99.9fm. Knockanure Masses continue as usual. We wish to thank you for maintaining the regulations in the Parish Office. Please note: Sympathy Mass cards and Get well Mass cards available at Hollys.

Church of the Assumption Moyvane - Saturday 16th to Sunday 24th January - Radio

Sat 16 th	7.30pm	Jack Walsh, Moyvane North (1 st Anni)
Sun 17 th	11.00am	John & Catherine Scanlon, Leitrim West & loving son Tom
Mon 18 th	7.30pm	Josie Phelan, USA (Anni)
Tues 19 th	7.30pm	Special Intention (family)
Wed 20 th	7.30pm	Maurice & Mary Harnett (Anni) & loving son James
Thurs 21 st	7.30pm	Mary Riordan (née Flaherty), London & Athea (Anni) & deceased of the Flaherty family
Fri 22 nd	7.30pm	Mary Nolan, Glenalappa (Anni) & dec of the Nolan & Galvin families
Sat 23 rd	7.30pm	Bill Horan, Aughrim (Anni) & dec of the Horan family
Sun 24 th	11.00am	Jerry Fitzmaurice, Lower Aughrim (Months Mind) & his parents Kit & Edward



Church of Corpus Christi Knockanure - Sunday 17th to Sunday 24th January - Tannoy

Sun 17 th	9.30am	Michelle Foley, Kilmorna (Anni) & loving grandad Michael Keane
Sun 24 th	9.30am	Noreen Hanley, Knockanure & UK (Rec Dec)

PRIEST ON DUTY THIS SUNDAY: Fr. Seán Hanafin, P.P. Ballybunion ☎ 087/8341083.

OFFERTORY, PARISH DONATION, CRIBS, SHRINES & DUES: Offertory €1,022; Parish Donation €1,500; Crib Moyvane €205; Crib Knockanure €35.70; Shrines Moyvane €198.20;

Shrines Knockanure €56.30; Dues €105; Very many thanks for your great generosity.

PRAYERS & SYMPATHY: To Brenda & Seamus Clancy, Knockanure on the death of Brenda's uncle Larry Cussen, Patrickswell whose funeral was in Patrickswell last Friday. To the Gould family inside and outside the parish on the death of their mother Nora and to the McCarthy family, Kilbaha as Nora was their aunt. To Marie O'Carroll, Aras Mhuire on the death of her daughter Sheila and to Sheila's relatives in the O'Carroll and Broderick families and to her good friends in Deer Lodge, Killarney. Sheila, God rest her began her life and schooling in the Glin Road here in Moyvane and was deeply appreciated by the community. She later moved to Ballylongford and Killarney. May smiling Sheila now enjoy the delights and wonderment of God's Kingdom and enjoy new beginnings in His presence. To the family of Thomas J. O'Connor of O'Connor's Pharmacy, Douglas and I/o Bishopstown who died last week and who was a native of Knockanure. Our prayerful support to his family in Bishopstown and in Knockanure. May Larry, Nora, Sheila and Thomas rest in peace.

PLEASE BE ALERT: It is with sadness that we learned this week, that in a twinkling of an eye, a car that was left unlocked at Ahavoher Cemetery had a hand bag stolen from the passengers seat, containing a sum of money, personal items and bank cards. No matter how long your are visiting any of our Cemeteries please lock your car and keep personal items out of sight.

KNOCKANURE DINNERS: With the latest lockdown causing further restricted movement, I would like to remind you that the Knockanure dinners are in full swing. Very many thanks to all in maintaining such a valuable service to our parish at this time. The service is flexible and caters for individual needs. Contact Nora on 068/49799 for further details.

THE USELESS FOUR

There were once four people - EVERYBODY, SOMEBODY, ANYBODY and NOBODY. There was an important job to be done and EVERYBODY was asked to do it. EVERYBODY was sure that SOMEBODY would do it. ANYBODY could have done it, but in the end NOBODY did it. SOMEBODY got very angry over this because it was really EVERYBODY'S job. NOBODY realised that EVERYBODY wouldn't do it. It ended up that EVERYBODY blamed SOMEBODY when actually NOBODY had asked ANYBODY. USELESS FOUR! - say no more. Question? Am I playing my part these Covid 19 days? Am I leaving it to the Government and others?

DIFFICULT TIMES BUT.....

I really hope and pray that this present bad time, Covid 19, will teach us something and make us stronger. The good people gone before us sealed with the beautiful sign of faith, lived with a sense that life and health were fragile, not to be taken for granted. These days, more than ever we all need to remind ourselves that we aren't exempt from the threat of sickness, debilitation and death. In short, all that our contemporary world can offer us in terms of technology, medicine, nutrition and insurance of every kind, doesn't exempt us from fragility and vulnerability. Covid 19 has shown us how vulnerable we all are. Our very modern world of today, for all the good things it gives us, has lulled us asleep in terms of our fragility, vulnerability and mortality. Covid 19 is a wake-up call, not just to the fact that we're really vulnerable but especially to the fact that we may not take for granted the precious gifts of health, family, work, community, parish celebrations, travel, recreation, freedom to gather and (yes) even going to Mass. I invite you to take a few moments to pray the following prayer by Sr. Joyce Rupp. I think its tailor made for these difficult days.

'Consoling God,

Be a source of serenity for me when struggles and difficulties threaten to overwhelm me.

God of Hope,

Assure me of your unconditional love when I doubt myself or question the worth of my life.

Truth-bringing God,

Encourage me to embrace you during those times when I get lost in lies of weakness.

Compassionate God,

Hold me to your heart when I feel helpless in the face of the world's pain.

Light-filled God,

Keep me ever close to you during those moments when bleakness surrounds my life.

Comforting God,

Shelter me under your wings when I am engulfed in sadness and overcome with distress.

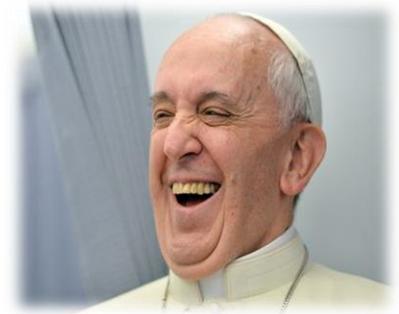
God of Peace,

You are the centre of my life, a strong refuge of peace in the whirlwind of my pain. I look to you for strength and a constant assurance of peace.

IS THIS A RHYME FOR OUR TIME!

Anyone who knows me reasonably well, will know I love rhyming. The other day in the Presbytery with no radio or TV to distract me, I had time for the following rhyme:

No grumbling, no sulking, no feuding, no fighting,
But looking and looking for things to delight in!
Not hating the state of the world every minute,
But seeking and finding the beauty that's in it.
No worrying and letting your troubles confound you,
But laughing and liking the great people around you,
So don't be down and blue, rather think of Him who cares for you.
Be true to Jesus - and you know who? Yes be true to you.



TWELVE MONTHS

Mike Buckley, our excellent caretaker in Moyvane Church, Presbytery & Church grounds asked me to pass on the sad news about the thief who stole a calendar.....he got twelve months!! Smile please. Mike is a real gem in our parish helping us so many times to smile.

DAILY SURVIVAL KIT

To make your days a little more cheerful, can I recommend the following daily Survival Kit -

TOOTHPICK - to remind you to pick out the best qualities in others.

RUBBER BAND - to remind you to be flexible.

PEN - to remind you to list your blessings each and every day.

A TUBE OF GLUE - to remind you to stick with it, you can accomplish the task.

TEA BAG - to remind you to relax daily.

BANDAGE & PLASTERS - to remind you to heal hurt and mend wounds.

Finally a **LITTLE CROSS** in your pocket, to remind you that you are loved by Jesus every second of every day.

With this daily kit your days will be better.