

Revised Mass Schedule



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Revised mass schedule for Clonmore Parish to take effect from the weekend 5/6 of September.

Every Saturday night Mass in Kilquiggan at 6.30 pm.

Every Saturday night Mass in Ballyconnell at 7.30 pm.

Every Sunday morning mass in Clonmore at 10.30 am.

Thought for the week

Seeing your life through the lens of the gospel

1. At the time Matthew was writing his gospel local church communities would have numbered no more than fifty people. They would be known to one another. Matthew presents the instructions of Jesus for dealing with people whose behaviour disrupted and harmed the community. Note the steps suggested. Simple directions but many of us do otherwise. We avoid difficult confrontations. We talk about the faults of others to everyone but themselves. We go over the head of someone who displeases us and make complaints. In your experience, which approach is life-giving for you and for others?
2. While Jesus is referring to a group situation, the advice can be applied also to personal difficulties and problems with others. What lessons has life taught you about constructive ways of dealing with conflict?
3. As individuals and communities, we have the power to bind and to loosen, to exclude people from relationship, or to open up and include others in relationship. When have you found it important to acknowledge this power in your own life?
4. Jesus also promises to be with his followers when they gather together. What does that mean to you? How have you experienced the presence of Jesus in his followers gathered together? During the recent lockdown due to the coronavirus, how did you experience the presence of Jesus in your faith community?

John Byrne OSA

Have a Wonderful Week

PARISH NEWSLETTER

23rd. Sunday in Ordinary Time. 6th September



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Our Common Home

Today we mark the first Sunday of the Season of Creation 2020, which runs from 1 September to 4 October. This special season in the church calendar celebrates the joy of creation, while encouraging awareness of initiatives to protect the natural environment. We are reminded during this time of our duty to care for what Pope Francis calls 'our common home'. When we hear the word 'home', we tend to think of the immediate place where we live and the people, we share it with - our house or living space and our immediate family, neighbours and community. Each of us lives within a particular web of relationships that we call home. But we must be conscious too that we live in a wider relationship with the earth and with all of creation. We all live in a common home, and we all must care for it, and for each other. Our gospel today sees Jesus offer some advice about living in community. He first acknowledges that communities are far from perfect. We all struggle with our relationships and duties. But he makes one thing clear: in a community, we all have a responsibility to each other and to work to build harmony. This responsibility extends beyond our immediate environment to our world. In this Season of Creation, we remember in particular those across the world who are suffering as a result of environmental damage. The way we live on this earth has consequences for the world and its people, and indeed for future generations. Over the next few weeks, let us consider how we might make some changes that reflect our care for others and for our common home. 'We need to strengthen the conviction that we are one single human family.' (Pope Francis, Laudato Si')

Triona Doherty

CHRISTIAN ONE-LINERS
Don't wait for six strong men to take you
to church.

Anniversaries - with love we remember

5th. September: Ballyconnell 7.30: Mick Donoghue, Liscolman
13th. September: Clonmore 10.30 Theresa Joyce, Clonmore:
Bridget Mary Curran Haroldstown, Siobhan Farrell.

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday 8th. September: Mass in Oratory at Killinure at 7.30.
Wednesday 9th. Mass in Ballyconnell at 9.30 am.; Thursday 10th.
Mass in Ballyconnell at 9.30 am. Friday 11th. Mass in Ballyconnell at
7.30 pm.

Collections

29th. /30th. August: Envelopes €315; Baskets €160

Coolkenno GAA Lotto: Last week's numbers: 4, 8, 26, 28

Winner: No Winner. This week's jackpot €9,300.

Next Draw: 7th. September In Club house

Lucky Dip Winners: Colin Doyle, Richard Codd, Steve Cushe; Jer Nolan.

Grandparents Pilgrimage, Knock Shrine 2020

The 2020 pilgrimage is on Sunday 13th of September at the Shrine of Our Lady of Knock taking place virtually at 3pm at Knock Basilica. This annual pilgrimage is a special day for grandparents and for all of us to acknowledge the great contribution that grandparents make to Church, to family, and to society in teaching and passing on the faith. We invite Grandparents and their families everywhere to join in praying for, and with, each other so that Grandparents everywhere can be honoured and thanked.

A Prayer as our Schools Reopen



Loving God, we ask you to wrap our diocesan school family in a cloak of love and protection as our schools reopen this year. Bless our boards of management and staff as they continue the good work that they have already begun to ensure a welcoming and safe environment for all. Bless our parents as they again entrust their children to us, confident we can all work together to help them become the very best that they can be. Above all, God of Love, we ask you to extend your hand of blessing on our pupils as they joyfully reunite with their friends and all in the school community. May they continue to progress in their studies and always know that they are safe, secure and protected in your loving embrace. We know much will seem very different this year, but, Gracious God, we are confident that through the intercession of our own Saints Brigid, Conleth and Laserian, your love and care for each of us will never change. May we show the same love and care for one another in all we do and say this year. Amen.

PARISH LOTTO

During these past few weeks, we've had a few exploratory meetings about the future of our Parish Lotto. We had 3 options: 1. Do nothing. 2. Try to resuscitate our Parish Lotto. This would practically prove impossible as the majority of Lotto tickets were sold at our bingo. 3. Explore the possibility of joining the Diocesan Lotto. Many Parishes in the Diocese participate in this lotto. We have decided to try option 3. As it will be easier to organise and would result in some welcome funds into our Parish account. We will have a meeting next Wednesday 9th. at 7.30 in the church in Ballyconnell to outline what the Diocesan Lotto entails. Everyone who participated in our Parish Lotto: Promoters, ticket sellers, etc. and anyone who would like to help out are welcome to attend. We were very encouraged with our community response to our outdoor Bingo, hopefully we will have a similar response.