

## Parish of Tynagh & Killeen Newsletter.

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### Mass Times in Tynagh & Killeen - Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> to Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> March.

Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> Tynagh 8pm. Nora Gormally, Drimna. Anniversaries.

Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> Tynagh 11am. Tom & Chrissie Donnellan,  
Ballinasmall. Anniversaries.

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> Tynagh 9.30am. Private Intention.

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> Tynagh 9.30am. John & Molly Mc Donagh, Carhoon.

Anniversaries and the Deceased Members of The Mc Donagh Family.

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> Tynagh 8pm. Thomas, Monica & Seamus O' Reilly,  
Derryfrench. Anniversaries.

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> Killeen 9.30am. John & Mary Madden, Ballyglass.  
Anniversaries.

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> Tynagh 9.30am. Personal Intention.

Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> Tynagh 8pm. Sonnie Quirke, Cappaculla.  
Months Mind.

Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> Tynagh 11am. Larry, Tony and The Deceased  
Members of The Duane Family, Rehan.

**Masses Broadcast Live:** on - "Tynagh & Killeen Parish" Facebook Page.

Thank you all for celebrating the Mass with me on line.

**Sacrament of Confession:** If at any stage you would like the Sacrament of Confession, please make contact with me on 087 2304493 and it will be arranged in either of our churches at a time that will be convenient for you.

**Rest in Peace:** Peg Byrne, Rosenallis. Aunt of Pat Whelan, Barnaculla.  
Sincere sympathy to the Whelan family and relations.

**Tynagh Abbey Duniry GAA Lotto:** Numbers drawn were 4, 18, 21, 31. No Jackpot winner. One match three. Next draw Mon 8<sup>th</sup> March. Jackpot €4,600.

**Galway Sports' Partnership:** are running a step challenge programme for every resident of Galway city and county. To register contact Louise at Email: lburke@galwaycoco.ie Phone: 087 6126415.

## Two of the Statements issued this week from the Bishops of the Six Western Dioceses, which includes Clonfert Diocese.

**1. Sacraments of First Communion and Confirmation:** In so far as the Government plan currently offers no clarity about when we might expect to return to public Sacramental life in the church, we find it difficult to have any confidence that the Sacraments of First Communion and Confirmation can be celebrated before the end of the present school year. As of now, we have decided to defer the Sacrament of Confirmation for the 2021 class until the Autumn, and we encourage our parishes to consider doing the same in relation to First Holy Communion. Should the circumstances change for the better, this decision can be revisited in each diocese. In the meantime, we encourage young people and their parents to continue with the preparation. We have provided online resources to support what is being done through the Religious Education programme with the teachers in the schools.

**1. Serving the Common Good and Supporting Restrictions:** As Church leaders, we have consistently supported the public health restrictions on the grounds that they serve the common good. The state has a particular responsibility for the common good. On that basis, the Church teaches that Catholics must obey the law unless it is manifestly unjust or immoral. That does not mean that we cannot or should not speak out when we believe that something seems unfair or could be done better. We have consistently made representations, not only for the timely reopening of the public pastoral life of the Church, but also for better protection for elderly residents in nursing homes, for equity in the delivery of critical care in our hospitals and for a fair distribution of vaccines both in our own society and in the wider world.

**Tynagh & Killeen First Holy Communion 2020:** A date will be arranged for our 2020 First Holy Communion when congregations are allowed to return by the government to church. Short but reasonable notice will be given.

**Short Reflection:** The more you give the more you get. The more you laugh, the less you fret. The more you do unselfishly, the more you live abundantly. The more of everything you share, the more you will always have to spare. The more you love, the more you will find that life is good and friends are kind. For only what we give away, enriches us from day to day.

**Thought:** All fortune belongs to those who have a contented mind.