

St. Macartan's GAC thank all those who contributed to last Sunday's Tea Party; a wonderful team, who baked, made sandwiches and set up the hall. Huge thanks to all those who sold tickets over the past year for the development draw and congratulations to Fr. Lorcán Lynch who won the top prize.

St. Joseph's Hall Bingo every Friday night at 9.00pm. Jackpots €10,800 & €6,200. (Special Christmas Bingo on Friday 21st December, extra prizes to be won)

Aghadrumsee GFC Lotto: No Winner (3, 7, 16, 27) Jackpot £7,000.  
 Clones GFC Lotto: No Winner (8, 9, 13, 15) Jackpot €9,800.  
 Currin GFC Lotto: No Winner (7, 16, 20, 25) Jackpot €10,500.

### Think Pink

*Today is GAUDETE Sunday. Gaudete means 'Rejoice'. We light the pink Advent Candle and perhaps we should THINK PINK for St. Paul says to us: "Brothers and sisters, rejoice always!" These final days of preparation for the celebration of Jesus' birth are sacred.*


*There is much darkness around us in society and in our Church. Advent expresses the complexity of the world, the yearning for the light. We could easily become cynical but today we are asked to REJOICE, to be thankful for those who come as witnesses for Christ whether they be the Mother Teresa's of this world or (in the words of Margaret Slif) "the teacher who helps a child solve a problem; the teenager who stops to share a word and a sandwich with a homeless person; the activist who insists on justice for the asylum seeker: they are all reflecting the glory of the Lord".*

*Today we remember that we are all called. We remember the great things the Lord has done and continues to do for us. We remember how our goodness and compassion can bring the Light of Christ to others.*

#### Sacrament of Confirmation 2019

Parents who wish to have their children confirmed next year are invited to commit themselves to preparing for the Sacrament with their children and to complete the request form which they will receive from the school. The date of Confirmation is Saturday 18th May 2019.

The priest on duty can be contacted through the Parish Office.  
 Parish Mobile (Emergency Number): 085 817 6203

	<b>Parish of Clones</b> Sacred Heart, Clones St Alphonsus, Connons St Macartan's, Aghadrumsee	<b>16th December 2018</b>
	Parish Office: 9.30am—1.00pm and 2.00pm—4.00pm (Monday—Friday) Telephone: 047 51048 Email: clonesparish@eircom.net Website: www.clonesparish.com	<b>Third Week of Advent</b>

### Masses and Intentions for the Week

		<b>Third Sunday of Advent</b> Gaudete Sunday
(Vigil)	7.30pm	Patrick Wilson, Belfast; Jimmy & Eileen Kernaghan, McCurtain Street; Evelyn McCabe, O'Neill Park; James & Rosena Sweeney, Gortnawinney
Sunday 16th	9.00am	People of the Parish
	10.00am	Mary O'Hara, Cortrasna & Joe Rooney, Greagholia
	11.30am	Paddy Quigley, Newtownbutler Road (Month's Memory); Eileen Rafferty, Clonmackin (First Anniversary)
Mon 17th	10.00am	James & Rose Keenan, Fermanagh Street
Tue 18th	10.00am	
Wed 19th	10.00am	
Thurs 20th	10.00am	Larry McGonnell, O'Neill Park
Fri 21st	10.00am	
	7.00pm	No Mass
Sat 22nd	10.00am	Liam McMahan, Cara Street; Orla Peake, Mullinamoy
		<b>Fourth Sunday of Advent</b>
(Vigil)	7.30pm	Peter Murphy, Cherry Park; Benny McDermott, Cherry Park
Sun 23rd	10.00am	Patricia Toye, Kilgarrett; Eugene Mulligan, Killyliffer & Donagh
	11.30am	Leo Toye, Legar Hill (Month's Memory); Liam Slowey, Carraveetra (First Anniversary)

Congratulations to Fr. Larry on being appointed  
 Bishop of Clogher. We wish him well and promise him our  
 prayers and our support

### Weekend Masses

**Saturday 7.30pm Sacred Heart, Clones**  
**Sunday 9.00am St. Alphonsus, Connors, 1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays**  
*(St. Mary's, Ture, on 2nd & 4th Sundays and Church Holidays)*  
**10.00am St. Macartan's, Aghadrumsee**  
**11.30am Sacred Heart, Clones**

**Masses during the Week: Monday—Saturday in Sacred Heart Church at 10.00am**  
 (On days of funerals in Clones, Mass will be at 11.00am)

### SACRAMENTS AND MINISTRIES

**Baptisms** are celebrated in Sacred Heart Church on the second Saturday of each month at 4.00pm and in St. Macartan's Church on the third Sunday at 1.00pm.

**Anointing of the Sick:** Priests are available to celebrate the Sacrament with anyone who is seriously ill. Contact the Parish Office or ring the Emergency Mobile.

**Confessions:** Saturday, after 10.00am Mass.

**Adoration:** Wednesday, 10.30am - 10.00pm, in Sacred Heart Church.  
 Friday, 9.30am - 6.30pm, in St. Macartan's Church.

**Death:** We pray for Ethna Butler, Dublin

**Christening:** We welcome into our Christian faith community Ryan Patrick McManus

#### St. Macartan's 23rd Dec

**Reader:** Geraldine Beggan  
**Minister of the Eucharist:** Samantha Boyle  
**Gift Bearers:** Toye & Mulligan Families

#### Sacred Heart Church 22nd & 23rd Dec:

**Readers:** Vigil Jim McMahan  
 11.30am Ann O'Harte

#### Ministers of the Eucharist:

Vigil Jonathan McManus, Mary Courtney  
 11.30am Shelagh Crudden, Teresa McMahan

**Altar Society:** Marie Collins, Bridget Cassidy, Mary Wilson

**The Sacrament of God's Mercy** will be celebrated  
 on Sunday 23rd December 2018 in  
 St. Tierney's Church, Roslea, at 4.00pm  
**Sacred Heart Church, Clones, at 5.00pm**  
 and Holy Cross, Lisnaskea, at 6.30pm.

### Schools in Clones Parish

**St Comgall's** 55329 **St Tiarnach's** 51398 **St Macartan's** 677 51100  
**Gael Scoil Eois** 52162 **Largy College** 51132

### COMMUNITY NEWS, ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

#### Christmas Mass Times

Monday 24th December	St. Mary's, Magherarney	6.00pm
	<b>St. Macartan's, Aghadrumsee</b>	<b>7.00pm</b>
	St. Mary's, Aghabog	7.00pm
	St. Tierney's, Roslea	8.00pm
	<b>Sacred Heart Church, Clones</b>	<b>9.00pm</b>
	Immaculate Conception, Scotshouse	9.00pm
	St. Livinus', Killeevan	9.00pm
Tuesday 25th December	<b>St. Alphonsus, Connors</b>	<b>10.00am</b>
	<b>St. Macartan's, Aghadrumsee</b>	<b>10.00am</b>
	St. Mary's, Ture	10.00am
	Immaculate Conception, Scotshouse	10.30am
	St. Tierney's, Roslea	10.30am
	<b>Sacred Heart Church, Clones</b>	<b>11.30am</b>
	St. Livinus', Killeevan	11.30am

**The Sick & Housebound**, and anyone temporarily indisposed, who wish to receive Holy Communion in their own home on Christmas Eve or Christmas Day should contact the Parish Office before Thursday so that arrangements can be made with Eucharistic Ministers.

**The Three Tenors** concert in Sacred Heart Church, Clones, this Sunday 16th starting sharp at 8.00pm and finishing at 10.00pm with a ten minute break at 9.00pm. Some tickets still available from Matthews Newsagent.

**St. Macartan's Primary School** Christmas Show on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> December. Doors open at 6.30pm, show begins at 7.00pm sharp; all welcome.

**Mary's Meals Annual Walk** around St. Tiernach's Park takes place on Sunday 16th December after 11.30am Mass.

**Clones Hens Shed Social Dance and Open-Mic Night** on Tuesday 18th December at 8.00pm in The Cuil Darach, Clones. Special guests 'The J J's'; admission is €3 and refreshments will be served.

**Largy College** Annual Christmas Show "Showtime" on Wednesday 19th December at 7.30pm; doors open 7.10pm.

**Connors Social Club** thank those who attended their recent Bazaar; they helped make it a wonderful success.