

**Women's World Day of Prayer** brings together women of various races, cultures and churches in fellowship and understanding. Each year the theme is developed by women of a different country, this year it is "Rise! Take your Mat and Walk" from the women of Zimbabwe. The Prayer Service takes place on Friday 6th March at 8.00pm in the Cassandra Hand Centre. Everyone welcome; refreshments served.

**Monaghan Public Participation Network (PPN)** want to hear from the public and groups/organisations across County Monaghan on what they think makes each town and village special and what help is needed to improve them for future generations. A workshop to start this important conversation takes place on Wednesday 4th March in the Old Post Office, Clones. Registration at 6.30pm; workshop commences at 7.00pm. All the data collected will be collated into a Community Wellbeing Vision Statement which will help influence future policy such as Local Economic Community.

**International Eucharistic Congress.** Join Bishop Kevin Doran on the Irish National Pilgrimage to the 52<sup>nd</sup> International Eucharistic Congress, Budapest, from 12<sup>th</sup> until 21<sup>st</sup> September 2020. A Eucharistic Congress is a gathering of people every four years which aims to promote an awareness of the central place of the Eucharist in the life and mission of the Catholic Church; to help improve the understanding and celebration of the liturgy and to draw attention to the social dimension of the Eucharist. Be part of this unique event and re-live the atmosphere of the recent International Eucharistic Congress and World Meeting of Families held in Ireland; cost €1,050 per person sharing. For more information see [www.catholicbishops.ie](http://www.catholicbishops.ie)

**Information Evening** for those interested in the Combilift Traineeship will be held in Combilift, Monaghan, on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> March at 7.00pm. There are no course fees for the Traineeship and students are supported by a financial bursary from Combilift in addition to the provision of a Tool Kit for the duration of the course. Over 80% of graduates who completed the Traineeship in the last 5 years have obtained employment with Combilift. Further information is available from [www.combilift.com/training](http://www.combilift.com/training)

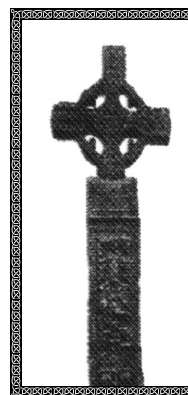
**St. Joseph's Hall Bingo** Friday 6th March at 9.00pm. Jackpots €6,800 & €12,400. (subject to no winner on Friday 28th Feb)

**Aghadrumsee GFC Lotto:** No winner (2, 22, 23, 26) Jackpot £10,150.

**Currin GFC Lotto:** No winner (3, 6, 7, 18) Jackpot now €7,500.

### Confirmation Pledge

Lord God, for love of You,  
and through concern for my family,  
my friends and my future happiness,  
and out of my wish to serve Christ more generously  
I promise with your help,  
to abstain from alcoholic drink  
until I am at least 18 years of age and  
to keep off illicit drugs for life.



## Parish of Clones

Sacred Heart, Clones  
St Alphonsus, Conons  
St Macartan's, Aghadrumsee

**Parish Office: 9.30am—1.00pm and  
2.00pm—4.00pm (Monday—Friday)**

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**1st March  
2020**

**First Week  
of  
Lent**

### Masses and Intentions for the Week

#### First Sunday of Lent

Vigil	7.30pm	Jeffrey Douglas, O'Neill Park; Gerard Finn, Cherry Park
Sun 1st	9.00am	Barney, Brigid & Seamus Rafferty, Annaghrav; Vincent McCaffrey, Drumgramph
	10.00am	Hugh Pat, Mary Ellen & Frank Flanagan, Carnmore; Jimmy Carey, Tattynagolan
	11.30am	Margaret Murphy, Abbey Street (Month's Memory)
Mon 2nd	7.30am 10.00am	
Tue 3rd	7.30am 10.00am	
Wed 4th	7.30am 10.00am	Teresa & Jim Healy, Clonboy
Thurs 5th	7.30am 10.00am	Teresa McCabe & Sherry Family, Analore Road
Fri 6th	10.00am 7.00pm	
Sat 7th	10.00am	Stan & Peggy Kerr & Joan & Pater Duffy, The Diamond; Eamonn Magennis, Clonmore & James & Bridget Harlin, Ardee & Clones

#### Second Sunday of Lent

Vigil	7.30pm	Michael O'Connor, Clonkeencole
Sun 8th	10.00am	Jim, Kathleen & Aidan Leonard, Killyliffer; Eileen Crudden, Rossbrick
	11.30am	People of the Parish

**Parish Mobile (in case of emergency): 085 817 6203.**

CORONAVIRUS COVID-2019

**Clogher Diocese along with the HSE have issued guidance for religious services with regard to COVID-19: Holy water fonts are not to be used; and, while this current situation continues, Holy Communion should be received in the hand and NOT on the tongue. Full guidance notes are available on the parish website.**

(Door handles, hand rails, taps and pews have been cleaned with detergent and will continue to be cleaned before and after services).

**CLOGHER DIOCESE IN DIALOGUE – a journey into the future.**

Bishop Larry Duffy is inviting all parishes to take part in a conversation to consider how we, as Church, continue to sustain living parishes now and going into the future in Clogher Diocese. This conversation seeks understanding more than agreement; agreement will take time to achieve. Be assured, however, that this is the beginning of a conversation which will be listened to and will inform future planning. Meetings will be held during March to which you and fellow-parishioners are warmly invited. The meeting involving the parishes of Clones, Killeevan, Roslea, Newtownbutler and Lisnaskea will be held in The Cuil Darach on Thursday 5th March, beginning at 7.30pm and to conclude by 9.30pm.

**Dianchúrsa don scrudú béil/Oral Irish course.**

Tá Cumann Peile na Sáirséalaigh Cill Laobháin ag eagrú dianchúrsa fá choinne daltaí an 6ú bhliain. Killeevan GAA are organising an intensive course on Saturday 21st March to help 6<sup>th</sup> year students prepare for their Leaving Certificate Oral Irish exam. Anyone interested in attending should phone Brian on 0868078984 or email [bmacuaid@gmail.com](mailto:bmacuaid@gmail.com) Times etc will be confirmed should there be sufficient interest. #GAAGaeilge

**Irish Wheelchair Association** annual church-gate collection on Saturday 7th & Sunday 8th March 2020. Your support will be appreciated.

**ICA Monthly Meeting** on Monday March 2nd at 8.00pm. Supper served after meeting. New members welcome.

**The RSA's free 'Check it Fits' Service** will be checking child car seats in Fleming's SuperValu, Monaghan, on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March from 10.00am until 5.30pm.

**Clogher don Oige Lenten Homeless Backpack Project.** Firstly you will need a backpack, an old school bag in good condition would be suitable. Then you will need to fill it up—here are some ideas: Socks, Blanket, Toothbrush/paste, Re-useable Water Bottle, Snacks, Giftcards for Subway/Starbucks/Costa, Comb/Hairbrush, Earplugs, Plasters, Lipbalm, Wet Wipes, Deodorant, Nail Clippers, Torch, Notebook, Pens and Re-sealable Food Bags. If you are unable to put together a full back pack, but would like to support this project, donations of backpacks and items from the list will be accepted. Filled back packs and donations can be left into the Clogher don Oige offices in Monaghan or Enniskillen; phone 047 72784 to arrange drop-off.

**Charity Table Quiz** in Derrygannon Hall on Friday 6th March at 8.30pm, in aid of UCD Volunteers overseas work in Tanzania. Spot prizes and refreshments on the night.

**Weekend Masses**

**Saturday 7.30pm Sacred Heart, Clones**  
**Sunday 9.00am St. Alphonsus, Connon, 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**  
 (When there is a funeral in Clones, the Mass will be at **11.00am**)

**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.

**SACRAMENTS AND MINISTRIES**

**Deaths:** We pray for Dan Ahern, Blarney  
 Carmel Mulligan, Roslea  
 Michael McMahon, Roslea  
 Phil Hanna, Moans Cross

**St. Macartan's 8th March:**

**Reader** Yvonne Crudden  
**Eucharistic Minister** Ann Flanagan  
**Gift Bearers** Leonard & Crudden Families

**Sacred Heart Church, 7th & 8th March:**

**Readers** Vigil Mary Nicholl  
 11.30am Hugh McDonald

**Ministers of the 7th & 8th March:**

Vigil Bridget Bray, Deirdre Kelly, Dymrna Colgan  
 11.30am Teresa McMahon, Anna May Greenan, Claire Shiels

**Altar Society** Eileen Maguire, Elizabeth McDonald, Ann Farnan

**Sick & Housebound**

Group A: Magheraveely/Aghadrumsee area  
 Group B: Town area  
 Group C: Millbrook, Cherry Park, Clonboy,  
 Edenaforan, Carraveetra, & Largy Court

On **Friday 6th March**, Ministers will bring Communion to those in Group A. Fr. Kevin will attend those in Group B, Fr. Dick will attend those in Group C.