Extract from Irish Bishops' Conference 9th June 2020

As we look forward in joy and hope to the re-opening of our churches for the celebration of Mass and the Sacraments we offer this Framework Document to the dioceses and parishes in Ireland. The purpose of this document is to assist priests and people in their own preparations and to help ensure that the re-opening of our churches for public worship happen in a safe and measured way. We realise that, given the rich variety of our church buildings and communities, the Framework Document will need to be adapted to suit differing situation on the ground. However as our document states "In all circumstances the safety and health of people, ministers and priests must be paramount".

The Framework has been developed in the light of extensive consultation across the dioceses of Ireland and we are very grateful to all who contributed thoughts, comments and suggestions. The document also takes cognisance of the most up-to-date health advice and associated regulations and obligations.

At the end of the month we hope to slowly and cautiously resume public worship in our churches, knowing that it can only happen in a limited way. We will still need patience, perseverance and self-sacrifice. The prescriptions contained in the Framework Document will only be effective if we have the generous support of volunteers who will help to plan and implement the transition back to full parish life and the celebration of the sacraments. In this regard we appeal to younger members of our parishes. Their energy, creativity and enthusiasm are gifts that our communities need now more than ever, since some of our older generation may be unable to offer their normal help in current circumstances.

We are also very conscious of the demands that this transition will place upon our priests, many of whom may still need to remain shielded from the virus. Together with the support of laity, priests have risen to the challenges presented by the recent restrictions, often in innovative and creative ways, and with great generosity of spirit showing their enduring commitment to the communities they serve. We hope that the return of communal worship will give new heart to our priests and parishes and that, in spite of the inevitable limitations to our celebrations, we may all be confirmed in faith and in our ministry.

The resumption of public worship should not mean simply going back to where we were before, We have been through testing times, but these months have opened up new possibilities for the future mission of the Church. This crisis has much to say about ourselves as a community of faith, about our identity and our way forward. We earnestly hope that what we have learned—as individuals, in the domestic churches of our family homes, and as ministers of Charity, Word and Sacrament—will enrich the life of our Church and increase the joy of our celebrations as the doors of our churches open slowly once more.

Full document available on www.clogherdiocese.ie



Parish of Clones

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

Parish Office by phone or email only 10.00am—5.00pm (Monday—Friday) Telephone: 047 51048 Email: clonesparish@eircom.net Website: www.clonesparish.com 14th June 2020

Eleventh Week in Ordinary Time

All Masses in Sacred Heart Church are broadcast on the Parish website

Masses and Intentions for the Week

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

(Corpus Christi)

Sat 13th Vigil 7.30pm Gerard (Gerry) McMahon, Carn Heights, 1st Anniv;

Rose & Peter Connolly, Roslea Terrace

Mon 15th No Mass Masses are available on the internet

Tue 16th No Mass from Roslea, Monaghan, Wed 17th No Mass Lisnaksea, Newtownbutler &

Thurs 18th No Mass many other websites.

Fri 19th 10.00am The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sat 20th Vigil 7.30pm Christina Hughes (Frist Anniversary) &

James Hughes, Millbrook;

Mickey Boyle & Ellie Mullarkey, Follum;

John, Annie, Sean, Tony & Marie Coogan, Analore Street;

Phyllis & Noel Greenan

& McCallion/Greenan Family, Clonkeencole;

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

Clones Parish Office is closed but you can communicate via email or phone from 10.00am until 5.00pm each weekday.

Anointing of the Sick: There will be no house calls (including First Friday calls) at this time. Priests will phone and pray with the sick or housebound.

Baptisms: Baptisms and Marriages - Please contact the Parish Office for up to date information.

Confessions: Individual Confessions are not now possible. People are reminded of the longstanding pastoral practice, when penitent's access to the Sacrament of Reconciliation is restricted, that they can be assured that their sins are forgiven if they make an act of contrition with a firm resolve to approach the Sacrament of Reconciliation after the stay at home orders are lifted. Pope Francis has spoken on this in recent days and it is in line with the Catechism of the Catholic Church.

Baptism: We welcome into our Christian faith community Leo James McKenna

An Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus,

I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love You above all things,
and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace You as if You were already there
and unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from you.

Amen

There will be no Masses in Sacred Heart Church on Monday 15th, Tuesday 16th, Wednesday 17th and Thursday 18th June.

Masses are available via the internet from Roslea, Newtownbutler, Monaghan, Lisnaskea and many other websites.

LOURDES2CLOGHER VIRTUAL PILGRIMAGE 2020: Due to Covid-19 we have not been able to have our annual diocesan pilgrimage to Lourdes this year. But we are planning a virtual pilgrimage online - Lourdes2Clogher - for the same dates, 3rd – until 8th July. This virtual pilgrimage will be hosted on the Diocese of Clogher Facebook Page and on the Clogher Lourdes website and the liturgies and other devotions will be broadcast from various churches and locations across the diocese. More details of the programme coming soon.

Lough Derg June Online Retreat Days. During the month of June, Lough Derg is offering opportunities to have an experience of retreat and pilgrimage from wherever you are. Online Retreat Days continue on 18th June.

Lough Derg Three Day Pilgrimage. From 27th until 29th June people can do the Three Day Pilgrimage from afar, along with Prior La Flynn and a small Lough Derg team. Services will be broadcast from St. Mary's Church in Pettigo; this is the nearest church with a webcam to allow a live link in support of those who choose to do the pilgrimage. The pilgrimage will follow the traditional format, with a few practical adjustments. Evening of Prayer of the Church will be recited instead of evening Mass on Saturday and Sunday evenings. Mass will be celebrated at 6.30am on Sunday morning only. For full details or to register for this historic event phone (0353) 71 9861518, go to www.loughderg.live or email info@loughderg.org

Monaghan Branch of Alzheimer's Drumkill & Carrickmacross are hosting a "Virtual Big Breakfast" on 21st June 2020. The Alzheimer Society of Ireland is the national leader in understanding and providing dementia-specific supports and services throughout Ireland. The Monaghan Branch provide a local day-care service which unfortunately has had to close temporarily due to COVID-19. However, they have started a new home respite service and, in order to continue providing this, they would appreciate your support. You can donate at:

https://gf.me/u/x7tg3g Phone 086 380 7152 for further details on how to get involved. ASI also have a national helpline 1800341 341, which offers information and support to anyone affected by dementia.