Clones Parish gratefully acknowledges a donation of €100 made towards the cost of painting Sacred Heart Church.

Clones Men's Shed will hold their Annual General Meeting on 21st February in Lower Fermanagh Street, Clones.

**Monaghan Institute** invites you to attend "A Survival Guide for Leaving Cert Students & Parents" on Thursday 8th March, 2018 at 6.pm. This free information session will be led by Brian Mooney, The Irish Times Education Expert, and forms part of the College Open Day that runs from 11am to 7pm. All Leaving Cert students and parents are encouraged to attend.

**Child Safeguarding and Digital Media Awareness and CPD Information Night** with Wayne Denner on Wednesday 21st February at 8.15pm in St. Kevin's College, Lisnaskea. Refreshments served at 7.45pm.

**Want to run or jog?** Clones Athletic Club is delighted to announce the commencement of another programme of the *Absolutes* - running for the absolute beginners - on Tuesday 20th February at The Peacelink, Clones. Come along at 7pm for our first new session from 7.30-8.30pm that night. This is a 9-week programme that takes you from absolute zero to being able to run 5km with confidence and it really works!

**Radio Maria Ireland** is an Irish-run Catholic Talk-Radio Station. Prayer, catechesis, uplifting music, talks, interviews and testimonies – all commercial free. Listen via FREE App "RADIO MARIA IRELAND", streaming on <a href="https://www.radiomaria.ie">www.radiomaria.ie</a> or via PHONE – get live radio feed by calling 01 437 3277 (no extra charges apply). Please join our growing faith family!

**Audacious Theatre Company** invite you to QQI Level 5 Per forming Arts open event on 8th March between 4:30-8pm. Next year's programme begins in September 2018 and they are currently recruiting for the next batch of local wannabe performers who are keen to learn and gain a qualification. Go along and find out about the programme from the learners themselves. Audacious Theatre Company are the current learners on the programme which is run by Teach na nDaoine, funded by CMETB and based at the Garage Theatre.

**St. Joseph's Hall Bingo** every Friday night at 9.00pm. Jackpots 6,700 & 8,100

 Aghadrumsee GFC Lotto: No Winner.
 (5, 13, 17, 25) Jackpot £4,850.

 Clones GAA Lotto:
 No winner.
 (5, 6, 12, 22) Jackpot €11,700.

 Currin GFC Lotto:
 No Winner
 (3, 4, 10, 16) Jackpot €6,100.

#### **Lenten Grace before Meals**

We bless you, Lord and we praise you, for you have given us this meal to share, provided by the earth and prepared by human hands.

Help us remember those who cannot eat because of poverty or sickness. Let the brief hunger we feel this Lent make us hunger even more for justice.

May this meal strengthen us to do your will. Blessed be God forever.

(All: Blessed be God forever.)



# **Parish of Clones**

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

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18th February 2018

First Week of Lent

# **Masses and Intentions for the Week**

		First Sunday of Lent
Vigil	7.00pm	Philomena Hughes, Tiernahinch
Sun 18th	9.00am	Gavin Family, Clinagore
	10.30am	Tony, Edward & Elizabeth O'Hara, Corraghy
		Owen & Annie Beggan & Dec'd Relatives, Mullanvaum
	12.00pm	Simon Rafferty, Clonmackin (Month's Memory)
Mon 19th	7.30am	
	10.00am	Charlie McDonagh, Millbrook
Tue 20th	7.30am	
	10.00am	James Hughes, Millbrook
Wed 21st	7.30am &	
Thurs 22nd		The Chair of St. Peter, Apostle
	7.30am	People of the Parish
	10.00am	Patsy, Molly, Malcolm, Michael & Mary Daly, Cherry Park
Fri 23rd	10.00am	
	7.00pm	Terence, Elizabeth & Bernard Flanagan & Dec'd, Carnmore Mick McCabe & Dec'd Relatives, Coolnamarrow
Sat 24th	10.00am	Mary Murray & Dec'd Relatives, Legnakelly
		Second Sunday of Lent
(Vigil)	7.00pm	Eamon & Patricia Hamill, Newtownbutler Road
		Paddy & Mamie Murphy, O'Neill Park
		Cissy Smith & Susan Berry, Lisnaroe
Sun 25th	9.00am	Bernard, Brigid & Seamus Rafferty, Annaghraw
	10.30am	Hugh Pat, Mary Ellen & Frank Flanagan, Carnmore
	12.00pm	Pauline Kelly, Carn Gardens (Month's Memory) & Mary Kelly, Lower Millbrook

Priests of the Parish
Fr. Dick Mohan. Fr Cathal Deery.
To speak to the priest on duty, please phone 085 8176203

**Weekend Masses** 

Saturday 7.00pm Sacred Heart, Clones Sunday 9.00am St. Alphonsus, Connons

10.30am St. Macartan's, Aghadrumsee

12.00pm 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) Friday in St. Macartan's Church, Aghadrumsee, at 7.00pm

#### SACRAMENTS AND MINISTRIES

**Baptisms** are celebrated in Sacred Heart Church on the second Saturday of each month at 4.00pm & on the fourth Sunday at 1.00pm. In St. Macartan's Church, Baptisms are on the third Sunday at 1.30pm.

**Anointing of the Sick:** Priests are available to celebrate the Sacrament with anyone who is seriously ill.

**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.

**Christenings:** We welcome into our Christian faith community

Eva Louise Cassidy Clodagh Bríd Beggan

**Death**: We pray for John Crudden, Loughgar

St. Alphonsus

Minister of the Eucharist 25th Feb: Ann Hackett
Gift Bearers 25th Feb: Rafferty Family

St. Macartan's

Minister of the Eucharist 25th Feb: Naoisa Faux
Reader 25th Feb: John Mohan
Gift Bearers 25th Feb: Flanagan Family

#### Sacred Heart Church

#### Ministers of the Eucharist 24th & 25th Feb:

Vigil Saturday Elaine Kelly, Elizabeth McDonald, Gerard Leonard 12.00pm Sunday Clare Shiels, Shelagh Crudden, Dearbhla McDonald

Altar Society: Maureen Connolly, Kathleen McPhillips, Anna May Greenan

## **World Meeting of Families National Collection**

In order to help defray the costs associated with Ireland hosting the World Meeting of Families next August, a National Collection will be taken up in all churches throughout the country next weekend - 24/25 February. You are invited to give as generously as you can. It is a huge honour for Ireland to be asked to host this world

event and to welcome Pope Francis.

**Schools in Clones Parish** 

St Comgall's

Gael Scoil Eois 52162

55329

St Tiarnach's 51398 Largy College 51132 **St Macartan's** 677 51100

## COMMUNITY NEWS, ACTIVITIES, EVENTS

Spring Events at Knock. The next 'Quiet Days for Busy People' day retreat will take place Saturday 24 February from 11am-3pm in the Prayer Guidance Centre. The retreat costs €30 and includes lunch at Knock House Hotel. To book your place, call (094) 93 75355 or to find out more about all of the upcoming events at Knock, log on to <a href="https://www.knockshrine.ie/upcoming-events">www.knockshrine.ie/upcoming-events</a>

**World Meeting of Families 2018.** Let's Talk Family is a Lenten programme to highlight the forthcoming World Meeting of Families in August. It consists of two sessions exploring family life: Night 1 at 8.00pm on Wednesday March 7th is entitled The Reality of Family Life Today and Night 2 at 8.00pm on Wednesday 21st is entitled The Christian Vision for the Family. The venue is the Cuil Darach.

Pope Francis' exhortation *The Joy of Love* will inform the discussions which will be presented by two Accord facilitators. Each session will last approximately an hour and will consist of vox-clips, discussion, reflection and refreshments. Everyone is welcome; everyone's voice matters.

**The Novena of Hope** at The Graan commences at 6.30pm on Saturday 3rd March and will run until Monday 12th March. Sunday services are at 9.00am, 10.30am, 12.00pm and 4.00pm. Weekdays at 12.30pm and 7.30pm. Exceptions are Wednesday 7th which is at 11.00am and 7.30pm and Saturday 10th March at 11.00am and 6.30pm. In addition there are services for the sick on Wednesday 7th and Saturday 10th at 2.30pm. Phone 028 66 322272 for further information.

**Towards Peace** is a spiritual support service designed for those who have experienced sexual, physical, emotional or spiritual abuse by Catholic Church personnel in Ireland. Support is also available for family members of abuse survivors. The vision of Towards Peace is to provide a safe supportive space, where people who have been affected by abuse in a Church context can be accompanied as they seek their own experience of spiritual peace, one step at a time. Towards Peace provides spiritual support through one-to-one spiritual direction sessions, with a qualified spiritual companion. Up to nine sessions are offered and there is no cost. For more information, please visit <a href="www.towardspeace.ie">www.towardspeace.ie</a>, phone 01 505 3028 or email <a href="towardspeace@iecon.ie">towardspeace@iecon.ie</a>

The Irish Cancer Society is looking for volunteers in the Louth, Cavan, Monaghan and Meath areas to drive patients to and from their treatments in Our Lady of Lourdes Hospital, Drogheda and the Dublin hospitals. Volunteer drivers will pick a patient up at the door of their home, drive them to the door of the hospital and then when finished treatment, pick them up and drop them home again. Drivers will use their own cars but all volunteer expenses are paid. For more information call Gail on 01 2310 566 or visit the Irish Cancer Society's website at <a href="https://www.cancer.ie">www.cancer.ie</a>