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**Church of the Assumption Moyvane - Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> to Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> May- Radio**

Sat 1 <sup>st</sup>	7.30pm	Conor King, Douglas, Cork (Rec Dec)
Sun 2 <sup>nd</sup>	11.00am	Tom O'Flaherty, The Village (Anni) & his nephew Michael Andrew Beazley, Ballybunion.
Tues 4 <sup>th</sup>	7.30pm	Denis O'Connor, Glin (Anni)
Wed 5 <sup>th</sup>	7.30pm	Patrick Feury, Glin (Anni) & deceased of the Feury family
Thurs 6 <sup>th</sup>	7.30pm	Jerry & Jenny O'Carroll, Woodgrove & their son Christopher (Anni)
Fri 7 <sup>th</sup>	7.30pm	Tom McCarthy, Kilbaha (Months Mind)
Sat 8 <sup>th</sup>	7.30pm	Sinead Halkett, Listowel (Anni)
Sun 9 <sup>th</sup>	11.00am	Siobhán Shanahan (née Brosnan), Adare & Ballybunion (Rec Dec)



**Church of Corpus Christi Knockanure - Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> to Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> May - Tannoy**

Sun 2 <sup>nd</sup>	9.30am	Pádraig McMahon, Lisanskeea (Anni)
Sun 9 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Mary Rose Kennelly & Norah Kelly (née Kennelly), Gortdromagouna (A)

**PRIEST ON DUTY THIS SUNDAY:** Fr. Pat Crean-Lynch ☎ 087/6709491. Emergencies only.

**OFFERTORY, SHRINES & DUES:** Offertory €1,412; Shrines Moyvane €197; Shrines Knockanure €95.85; Dues €195. Very many thanks.

**PRAYERS & SYMPATHY:** To Joe Kearney & family on the death of his loving wife Angela whose funeral took place in Moyvane on Monday. To Anne O'Carroll & family on the death of her loving husband Pat whose funeral will take place at 12noon this Saturday in Knockanure. To Eddie & Julia Stack & family on the very untimely death of Eddie's grandnephew Conor King, Douglas Cork whose funeral took place during the week in Cork. To Kathleen & John Chris Cunningham & family on the death of Kathleen's aunt Sr. Bridget Windle, l/o Upper Aughrim who died recently and whose funeral took place in Dublin. To Marie Mulvihill Glenalappa on the death of her brother Patrick Dalton, Athea. May Angela, Pat, Conor, Sr. Bridget & Patrick rest in peace.

### **NOTICE**

**NIARON LTD:** ESB Jointing works have commenced just outside Moyvane village on the way to Knockanure and have commenced just outside Moyvane village in the direction of Tarbert, south of Moyvane river. We would like to thank the local community for their patience during these works and apologise for any inconvenience caused.

### **WHAT IT MEANS TO BE A DISCIPLE**

This weekend's Gospel offers us an image of what it means to be a disciple of Jesus. The word literally means one who is learning, a good attitude to have throughout life. The way to learn from others is by observing what they do by trying to capture some of the spirit which animates them - in short, by being with them. Now this is precisely what the image of the vine and the branches intends to convey namely that it is by keeping company with Jesus, who is forever present in the Church, that we develop and grow as His followers.

### **BETTER WORLD**

The awful murders continue with greater frequency in our beloved country. Our prayers go to all involved. Many, many moons ago the poet Edgar A Guest pined the following lines. I think they are powerful and challenging entitled 'How to build a better world?' and it goes as follows:



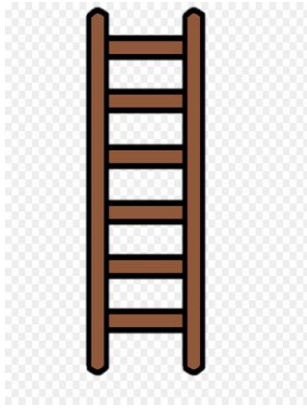
"Well, not by chart or plan,  
Unless we start to teach the boy.  
To be a better man.  
For all our dreams of nobler things,  
Will meet the same old fate,  
Unless we turn to Jesus and do away with hate."

### **THANK GOD FOR ANGELA MERKEL**

Warm applause and appreciation was afforded to Angela Merkel as Germany applauded her for six minutes in appreciation of her spectacular leadership and defence of humanity. Thank God for her Christian leadership.

## THE LADDER OF SUCCESS

We all like to climb the ladder, which ladder though?  
The ladder of success for the Christian is as follows:



100% - I DID  
90% - I WILL  
80% - I CAN  
70% - I THINK I CAN  
60% - I MIGHT  
50% - I THINK I MIGHT  
40% - WHAT IS IT?  
30% - I WISH I COULD  
20% - I DIDN'T KNOW HOW  
10% - I CAN'T  
0% - I WON'T

## FORGIVEN! - THAT'S FINAL

What a blessing, privilege and joy to have Confessions in the car park of Moyvane Church. Again, this Sunday I will be available to celebrate this lovely Sacrament with anyone who wishes to avail of it. Don't be fearful, I will help you but more importantly Jesus will forgive you. Here is a lovely story about forgiveness. When the books of a certain Scotch Doctor were examined after his death, it was found that a number of accounts were crossed out with the note; 'Forgiven - too poor to pay'. However, his wife wasn't a happy camper and decided that all those accounts must be paid and proceeded to sue for the money. The Judge asked only one question, "Is this your husband's hand-writing?" When she replied that it was he said: "Then there is no tribunal in the land that can obtain this money when he has written the word 'FORGIVEN'". When Jesus lovingly and generously forgives us we are blessed with new and exciting beginnings. From 2pm to 5pm this Sunday afternoon in the car park, forgiveness awaits you.

## THE MOST DIFFICULT QUESTION EVER

On Monday April 19<sup>th</sup> in my now customary 7.15pm 'gathering introduction' to our 7.30pm Mass on 99.9FM, I posed a question - "If you had to choose between being DEAF or BLIND, would you rather lose your sight or your hearing? No one responded, so I don't know how you would choose! Whether to give up seeing the faces of loved ones, a rainbow or the joyful splash of a new pair of curtains and grope your way through a life of darkness: or to lose forever the sounds we take so much for granted.....voices, music, laughter, the song of birds, the beautiful sound of running water. A few days ago, Fr. Bill rang me from London, he is Chaplain to the deaf and blind. We had a lovely chat and we got around to speaking about his work.

I confessed that the greatest fear I have in life is 'losing my eyesight'. In a recent survey forty men and women who were both deaf and blind were asked if they would rather see or hear again. To his surprise, no fewer than 39 of them said without a moment's hesitation, that they considered deafness to be the greater handicap and they would willingly remain blind if they could only hear again. Fr. Bill wondered why this should be. All 39 gave much the same answer - that while blindness cuts you off from things, deafness cut you off from people. This weekend, for those of us blessed with both sight and hearing, let us be grateful for such wonderful gifts and let us use them wisely for building up God's Kingdom.

## A MESSAGE FROM THE ANGELS

Nearly all families, including my own, have little Angels in heaven. Christy Kenneally pinned this letter from the Angels to their parents. "I did not die young, I lived my span of life within your body and within your love.

There are many who have lived long lives  
and have not been loved as me.

If you would honour me then speak my name  
and number me among your family.

If you would honour me, then strive to live in love,  
for in that love I live.

Never, ever doubt that we will meet again, until that day,  
I will grow with God working as a little Angel and wait for you".

## Prayer to the Guardian Angel

Angel of God,  
my guardian dear,  
to whom God's love  
commits me here,  
ever this day,  
be at my side  
to light and guard,  
to rule and guide.  
AMEN.

