

Fr. Kevin McNamara, P.P. ☎ 089/4044816. Presbytery & Office ☎ 068/49308; Secretary: Jacqueline. Assumption Radio 99.9fm from Moyvane Church. Mass cards available in the Parish Office and Holly's. Parish Office: Mon & Thurs 10am - 12noon, Tues & Fri 10am - 1pm. Wed Closed.

Church of the Assumption Moyvane - Saturday 8th to Sunday 16th May - Radio

Sat 8 th	7.30pm	Sinead Halkett, Listowel (Anni)
Sun 9 th	11.00am	Siobhán Shanahan (née Brosnan), Adare & Ballybunion (Rec Dec)
Mon 10 th	7.30pm	Deceased of the Doran family, Asdee
Tues 11 th	7.30pm	Mary Barry, Tralee (Rec Dec)
Wed 12 th	7.30pm	Michael Buckley, New York & l/o Banaraha (Months Mind)
Thurs 13 th	7.30pm	Michael O'Brien, Ardfert (RIP)
Fri 14 th	7.30pm	Peggy Williams, Ballydonoghue (1 st Anni)
Sat 15 th	7.30pm	David Foley, Kilbaha (Anni) & deceased of the Foley & O'Connor families
Sun 16 th	11.00am	Anne Prendiville, Carrueragh (1 st Anni)

Church of Corpus Christi Knockanure - Sunday 9nd to Sunday 16th May - Tannoy

Sun 9 th	9.30am	Mary Rose Kennelly & Norah Kelly (née Kennelly), Gortdromagouna (A)
Sun 16 th	9.30am	Noreen & Pat Sweeney, Knockanure (Anni)

PRIEST ON DUTY THIS SUNDAY: Fr. Seán Hanafin ☎ 087/8341083. Emergencies only.

OFFERTORY, SHRINES & DUES: Offertory €2,054.70; Shrines Moyvane €210; Shrines Knockanure €38.40; Dues €280. Very many thanks.

ROSARY: I will pray the Rosary this Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 4pm on the Radio 99.9fm. Next weekend I will let you know if a small congregation can attend in the coming weeks.

RIGHT ATMOSPHERE

A group of Pilgrims walked along together singing all carrying a burden of some sort, yet all were cheerfully thinking more of the purpose of their journey than of its hardships. An Angel joined the group passing from one to another, threw into each of the burdens a couple of little seeds. Soon the seeds began to sprout until they became a pair of wings which carried the Pilgrim, burden and all, along the dusty road. Some hours later, a similar group was travelling the same road with downcast faces complaining of the heavy burdens they carried. The Angel passed again, but left them with no gift of wings. "Why do you not give them wings?" he was asked. "They look so downcast and gloomy, surely they need them more than the others?" "I have only the seeds", replied the Angel, "And they flourish only in cheerfulness and helpfulness, but will perish at once in that atmosphere of grumbling". Which pilgrim group are you in right now? - Cheerful or grumbling?

NEW COMMANDMENT OF LOVE

Years ago when weddings with large numbers were celebrated, a young Bride to be walked into a fabric shop and asked the proprietor if she had any kind of noisy, rustling material in white. The proprietor searched the inventory and finally found bolts of fabric that fitted the description. As she was cutting the fabric to the customers specification, the proprietor's curiosity got the best of her and she asked why the woman wanted such an unusual and noisy cloth. The young woman replied, "you see, I'm making a wedding dress and my fiancé is blind. When I walk down the aisle, I want him to know when I've arrived at the Altar, so he won't be embarrassed". Love, which finds all kinds of ways to express itself, is willing to sacrifice. What time limits do we place on our sacrifice for family members? For friends? For parishioners? For strangers?

NOTICES

NIARON LTD: ESB Jointing works continues in the same locations, Moyvane North (in front of Keane's) and just outside Moyvane village in the direction of Tarbert. Niaron would like to thank parishioners for their patience during these works and apologise for any inconvenience caused.

SCOIL CHORP CHRÍOST KNOCKANURE: have launched a major fundraiser. We need to extend our playground area; our outdoor space is limited. The school field is often too wet to play on and we are hoping to upgrade to an Astroturf surface this summer. We need to raise €15,000. Due to covid, we cannot have any fundraising activities. We have organised a GoFundMe page, accessible via the School Facebook page. We also need the support of our community. We **need** your support. Contributions can be made via the GoFundMe page or by cash or cheque. You can contact the school on 068-49130 if you require further information. Thank you in advance.

Mrs. Julienne Donegan, Principal.

THIS WEDNESDAY A LIGHT AND A PRAYER

The months of April and May, 1921 saw a lot of bloodshed in the Parish of Moyvane-Knockanure. This was, of course, during the Irish War of Independence. On Thursday, April 7, Mick Galvin, an IRA volunteer, was killed by British forces during an ambush at Kilmorna in Knockanure. On Thursday, April 14, 1921, Kilmorna House was raided by the local IRA. Kilmorna house was burned and Sir Arthur Vicars was shot. Then on May 12, Crown forces shot dead three unarmed members of the Flying Column, Paddy Dalton, Paddy Walsh and Jerry Lyons at Gortaglanna. Their comrade and fellow member of the Column, Con Dee made a miraculous escape from the scene. On Thursday May 26, Jack Sheehan was shot in Moinvionlach bog as he attempted to escape capture by the Crown forces. To commemorate these events, the North Kerry Republican Soldiers Memorial Committee are asking that each household light a candle on Wednesday, May 12, the centenary of the Gortaglanna tragedy, at 9pm. Fr. Kevin has very generously sponsored commemorative candles which can be collected by parishioners at all Masses this weekend.

Gabriel Fitzmaurice

GABRIEL'S BOOK LAUNCH

With freedom now to gather, maintaining social distancing and wearing masks, Gabriel Fitzmaurice will launch his latest book - '**Rhyming History: The Irish War of Independence and the Ballads of Atrocity in the Valley of Knockanure**' in the Seanchaí, the Kerry Writer's Museum on Saturday 15th May at 2pm. Feel free to join this historic launch which commemorates the centenary of the very tragic and sad events in Knockanure which occurred one hundred years ago this month.

BACK IN CHURCH WITH A CONGREGATION

It's good to be back with a congregation at Masses from this Monday 10th. I am weary with all the restrictions but I respect them. I encourage all of you to do likewise. Returning we will still have social distancing and will be guided by our volunteer stewards. It's important that you listen to them and be guided by them. If that procedure upsets or annoys you then it would be advisable to wait a little longer when there will be further lifting of restrictions. Despite the lethal danger of Covid-19 and its remarkable transmission capacities (just look at India these days), it is extraordinary that some Christians have failed to convince our society that we take our social obligations seriously. That we treasure the old and the vulnerable, that we believe that health is a holy thing, and that we know that death is sad and tragic. Practically all of you have been great and so supportive of all that is demanded of us during this difficult time. Let's keep this big effort going as we reopen on Monday. I ask you to keep the following in mind:

- **All Masses from 10th listed will have a congregation.**
- **For now weekday Masses are in Moyvane only.**
- **Weekend Masses - Vigil at 7.30pm Saturday (Moyvane)
Sunday 9.30am (Knockanure) 11am (Moyvane)**
- **Stewards will guide you to your seat and will lead you out after Mass.**
- **Masks will have to be worn and social distancing maintained.**
- **No gathering around Exits or Entrances.**
- **No congregating in the Car Parks after Mass.**
- **Any Mass you attend will fulfil your Sunday obligation.**
- **Baptisms can go ahead with just the immediate family - contact the Parish Office.**

Thanking you in advance for your support and understanding. May God continue to keep us all safe and well.

BANNER FLAG WEATHERS THE STORM

Mike Buckley is my weather advisor and directs me as to when we can put up flags and bunting, when we can cut the grass etc. On Monday morning last his strong advice was to take down all flags in both Churches. I agreed. In packing the flags away he said "Now we'll have to take down the Clare flag". I said "Mike we are not taking down the Clare flag". Mike protested and said "Fr. it won't be able to withstand the wind that is given down for today and you can see already how the pole is bending with the wind". I said "Mike the Clare flag is not for moving, leave it there". It weathered the storm! Is this a good sign for the Championship and League?? Up the Banner!!

