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Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> August 2021

## 18<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### Feast Days This Week.

**Wednesday:** St. John Mary Vianney, priest, patron of priests, 1786 – 1859. He served as a priest in the village of Ars, France. People flocked to him for the Sacrament of Penance.

**Friday:** The Transfiguration. Jesus brought Peter, James and John up a mountain for an epiphany during which they saw Elijah and Moses speak with Jesus.

**NI Executive Restrictions:** Congregations are welcome at public worship. Social distancing, sanitising and other mitigations will be in place. Ushers will see you to a seat.

- Funerals & Weddings: St. Tierney's Church holds about 100 people, i.e. quarter capacity.
- Attendance at Baptism is not restricted. A pew to each family bubble.
- Though revised health guidance on July 26<sup>th</sup> permits the non-wearing of masks, adults are requested to continue wearing a mask in the church for the foreseeable future.

### Masses & Intentions in St. Tierney's for the Coming Week:

**Sun 1<sup>st</sup> August:** 10.30a.m: Ethna, Sean & John Connolly, Mullaghconnolly.

**Tues 3<sup>rd</sup> Aug:** 9.30a.m:

**Wed 4<sup>th</sup> Aug:** 9.30a.m:

**Thurs 5<sup>th</sup> Aug:** 9.30a.m: Anthony Mohan Sr., & Anthony Mohan Jr., St. Patrick's Park.

**Fri 6<sup>th</sup> Aug:** Adoration 6pm.

Mass 7pm: Mary Ellen & Patrick Connolly, Fr. Pat Connolly (1<sup>st</sup> Ann.) & Annie & The Connolly Family, Cordoola. Bessie, Frank & Francie McCabe, Drummerheave, Patrick, Ellen, Gerard, Charlie, Brendan and Angela McGuirk

Lyn & Jamie McMorran & the Devlin Family, Drumshancorrick.  
**Sun 8<sup>th</sup> Aug:** 10.30a.m:

### St. Mary's Church, Magherarney: Congregation is limited 50.

**Sat 31<sup>st</sup> July:** Vigil 6pm: Michael & Kathleen McEniff & John Maguire, Clonamunchin.

**Mon 2<sup>nd</sup> Aug:** 10.00a.m:

**Wed 4<sup>th</sup> Aug:** 10.00a.m:

**Fri 6<sup>th</sup> Aug:** 10.00a.m:

**Sat 7<sup>th</sup> Aug:** Vigil 6pm: Bernard & Rosaleen Toal, and the Toal Family, Magherarney House.

The Graham Family, Gransha

### St. Mary's Church.

Capacity at weekday and weekend Masses is limited to no more than 50.

**Baptisms:** Baptisms celebrated in St. Tierney's Church only until further notice. Numbers attending in compliance with indoor and outdoor gatherings in the Republic of Ireland.

**Funerals:** Attendance at funerals limited to less than 50 including church personnel, undertakers, singer, and musician.

**Weddings:** Attendances for weddings increased from 50 to 100 from 5<sup>th</sup> August. However, it may not be possible to seat 100 socially distanced in St. Mary's Church.

**Live Streaming:** Please note St. Tierney's Church and St. Mary's Church are monitored by live-streaming cameras.

### RIP:

- **Martina McCluskey**, Drumully, daughter of Mary and Eamon (RIP), sister of Enda & Aileen.
- **Adam McCormick**, Threemilehouse, great grandson of Maura McKenna, Drummans, Scotstown.  
*May the angels lead them into paradise.*

### Parish Cemeteries, St. Tierney's & St. Mary's:

If you have burial ground by arrangement with a previous parish priest in either cemetery that is unmarked, please mark it, and alert the Parish Priest to it. Otherwise, it may be used, (Parish Priest).

**Church Collections** (envelopes and loose plate) from 11<sup>th</sup> July to 25<sup>th</sup> July: *Upkeep of the Parish* (blue envelope) £759.91 & €1,715.06, *First Sunday* (white) £369.00 & €562.20, *Church Maintenance* (green) £334.74 & €485, and *Cemetery Sunday* (yellow) £227.00 &

€260.00. Totals £1,690.65 & €3,022.26. Standing Orders not included. Thanks to all contributors.

**Roslea Shamrocks Lotto:** There was no winner of the Cairde Seamroga Ros Liath lotto jackpot on Sunday 25th July. The numbers drawn were 1, 11, 13 and 25. Buster won the seller's prize and the five lucky dip winners were Cora Liz & Ben, Kevin McAloon Roslea, Damian Smyth Rellan, Holly Sweeney c/o Bernies and Gerard Bogue Main Stree. The winner of the £100 bonus was M+R Connolly Crockada. Next week's draw is for **£3,600. There is a £100 bonus up for grabs on 22<sup>nd</sup> August for all ten week envelopes and online entries!** Access the Klubfunder link on our social media pages! The cut off for online sales is 6.30pm each Sunday, all sales after 6.30pm go into the following week's draw.

**The Irish Catholic:** Published each Thursday and on sale in the parish churches for £2.20 & €2.50. Interesting articles on national and world Church affairs.

**Statement by the Northern Catholic Bishops on the direction of the Secretary of State to introduce abortion services to Northern Ireland:** The decision last week by the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, Brandon Lewis MP, to direct the NI Executive and Department of Health to make abortion services available in Northern Ireland by 21 March 2022, is gravely disquieting. It is the latest in a line of decisions by the current Westminster Government which we believe threaten the fragile balance of relationships at the heart of the Belfast (Good Friday) Agreement.

**Sadly, some of our local political parties seem content to welcome this unilateral move by Westminster on an issue which is of fundamental importance to local voters, while rightly challenging such unilateral impositions on other issues.**

*With many others, from a wide range of moral, philosophical and religious backgrounds, we have consistently held that the right to life of every person, irrespective of stage of development or ability, is the prior and essential right of all other human rights. Our shared search for peace is driven in no small part by our collective rejection of the brutality and demeaning of human dignity that occurs when the right to life is diminished in any way. Thankfully, we live in an age when sensitivity to the preciousness and fragility of all life on*

*our planet, even in its most microscopic forms, is better understood and appreciated. The failure to extend this sensitivity and care to our own fellow human beings in the womb, as well as to mothers in pregnancy will, we believe, one day be seen as a grave moral blindness on the part of this generation and a profound dereliction of our responsibility to uphold the most basic human right of all - the right to life.*

*In unilaterally imposing this direction on the local Northern Ireland Assembly to provide abortion services, it is as if the Westminster Government, and those local parties who have supported them, believe the answer to the issue of providing compassionate care for a woman and her unborn child in pregnancy can be framed simply and exclusively as a "healthcare issue". Absent from the discussion however are the thousands of unborn children, who have no legal protection and whose humanity is excluded from the political equation. It is for this reason that the argument for the protection of all human life can never be abandoned or referred to human rights experts alone. Westminster has imposed an unjust law. Christians, and all people of good will, can never stand silently by and fail to raise their voices at any attempt to ignore completely the fact that unborn children are human beings worthy of protection.*

*As our society prepares in coming months to engage in the ultimate expression of democratic participation - the election to our local Assembly - we encourage all Catholics, and those share our view on the inviolability of all human life, to reflect carefully on the issues raised by this succession of unilateral impositions by the Westminster Government. We encourage everyone who believes in the equal right to life and compassionate care for a mother and her unborn child to ask local candidates and political parties to explain their position on these interventions and on this most fundamental of all issues. **ENDS***

*This statement is issued in the names of Archbishop Eamon Martin, Archbishop of Armagh & Primate of All-Ireland and Apostolic Administrator of Dromore; Bishop Noel Treanor, Bishop of Down and Connor; Bishop Donal McKeown, Bishop of Derry; Bishop Larry Duffy, Bishop of Clogher; and, Bishop Michael Ruter Auxiliary Bishop of Armagh.*