

Paróiste na Dromoda
Parish Newsletter
Saturday, 30th January / Sunday, 31st January, 2021
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St. Finian's Church & Our Lady of the Valley Church

Offertory Collection for last week was €1752.00.
Fr. Gerard thanks those who have handed in the priest's
Christmas dues. Thank you for your generosity.

Cleaning the Churches for February:

- **Cillin Liath:** Mary O'Sullivan & Cáit Uí Conaill.
- **St. Finian's:** Bridie Moran, Margaret Galvin & Eileen Murphy.

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Masses will be live streamed.
Mass Intentions from Monday, 1st
February to Sunday, 7th February,
2021.

Monday, 1st February

- 10.00am: Mass in St. Finian's for the repose of the souls of Mary Cronin & Margaret Duffy (nee Kerins).

Tuesday, 2nd February

- 10.00am: Mass in St. Finian's for the repose of the souls of Tony Sheehan and Emma McManus.

Wednesday, 3rd February

- 12.00noon: Mass in St. Finian's for the repose of the souls of Debbie McAndrew & Mary Nicol.

Thursday, 4th February

- No Mass.

Friday, 5th February

- 10.00am: Mass in St. Finian's for the repose of the souls of Eileen Harty & Jeane Horgan.

Saturday, 6th February

- +7.30pm: Vigil Mass in St. Finian's for the repose of the souls of Donal & Bridie O'Shea, Octive.

Sunday, 7th February

- +10.00am: Months Mind Mass in St. Finian's for the repose of the soul of Peggy Sugrue and the repose of the soul of John (Gilder) O'Sullivan.

We remember in our prayers, Angela Lyth (UK) daughter of the late John Maguire and Christy Stenson (Clare) who both died this week.

Church is open daily for private prayer.

❖ Let someone know you are thinking of them by sending them "I lit a candle for you" card which are available in the church near the shrines.

Please keep yourself updated on the ongoing restriction changes.

Statement from Bishop Ray

We express our closeness in prayer and support for those with the Covid-19 virus and those impacted in any way by it in what are very difficult circumstances. We are mindful especially of those seriously ill in hospital, those who have died, and family and loved ones.

We want to highlight some points that we consider important in relation to the implementation of public health guidelines in the context of bereavements and funerals. We do so for the benefit of all concerned – mourners, undertakers, neighbours and friends as well as priests and public authorities, that we might have a common understanding of good practice around funerals aimed at keeping people safe from the virus. It is vital we take all precautions to prevent the further spread of Covid-19. In offering this guidance we recognise and appreciate that the vast majority of Catholics carefully observe the public health guidelines.

1. Public health guidelines are clear: attendance at funerals is to be restricted to 10.
2. As recommended in our statement last March, there should be no removal to the church the evening before.
3. People not attending the funeral liturgy should avoid congregating immediately outside the church building or around the hearse. For the sake of the great majority trying to keep to the public health guidelines, we ask people, difficult as it is, not to approach the bereaved in the church grounds or cemetery to sympathize.
4. As per the public health guidelines regarding social and family gatherings, there should be no wakes or large gatherings for prayers in the house of the deceased nor gatherings in cemeteries.
5. Support for the bereaved can be expressed through social media as an alternative to attending the funeral. Often it is possible to link to a local church for a funeral ceremony via a webcam/Facebook Live. We invite people to pray for the deceased and family of the deceased in their own homes at the time of the funeral Mass.

Bishop Ray Browne, Diocese of Kerry, 26th January 2021

NOTICES:

- **St. Finian's N.S. Admissions for Sept 2021:** Names are now being taken for Enrolments for Sept 2021. See School website to download forms or contact the school by email on stfiniansns@hotmail.com.
- Thank you to everyone who has contacted the Presbytery so far regarding the request for information on the Children's Burial Grounds or Ceallúnaigh(p) in the Dromod/Waterville area. **We are working on the information received and will contact you in the near future.**
- **Recovery Haven Kerry.** We want to reassure you that we are still here for you. While taking every precaution advised, we are here to offer emotional support and practical help to those affected by cancer, their families or carers. So, if you or someone you know is in need of support contact us on 066-7192122.



Prayer of St. Joseph

To you, O blessed Joseph, do we come in our afflictions, and having implored the help of your most holy Spouse, we confidently invoke your patronage also.

Through that charity which bound you to the Immaculate Virgin Mother of God and through the paternal love with which you embraced the Child Jesus, we humbly beg you graciously to regard the inheritance which Jesus Christ has purchased by his Blood, and with your power and strength to aid us in our necessities.

O most watchful guardian of the Holy Family, defend the chosen children of Jesus Christ; O most loving father, ward off from us every contagion of error and corrupting influence; O our most mighty protector, be kind to us and from heaven assist us in our struggle with the power of darkness.

As once you rescued the Child Jesus from deadly peril, so now protect God's Holy Church from the snares of the enemy and from all adversity; shield, too, each one of us by your constant protection, so that, supported by your example and your aid, we may be able to live piously, to die in holiness, and to obtain eternal happiness in heaven. Amen

COVID-19 Kerry Support

- Freephone Service: 1800-807-009
 - Text "Support" followed by your name to 50555
 - Email: covidsupport@kerrycoco.ie
- These services are available 8am-8pm, 7 days a week.

COVID-19 ALONE Support Line for Older People Tel: 0818-222-024

ALONE's national support line for older people, who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to the outbreak of COVID-19, is open Monday to Friday, 8am-8pm. Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice.

ACCORD Covid-19 Support Line

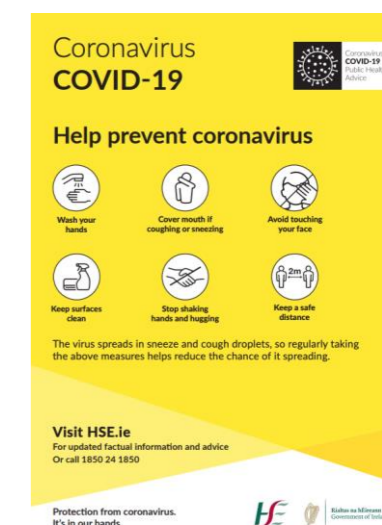
ACCORD is now offering over the phone counselling for couples, individuals and family members during this time. Call (01) 531-3331, Monday to Friday, 9am-8pm. All calls are charged at local rates.

Samaritans Freephone 116 123

The Samaritans are available 24/7 to offer non-judgemental emotional support to people experiencing difficulties or times of crisis in their lives.

Citizens Information During Covid-19

The Library, Caherciveen: Tel: 076-107-7780.



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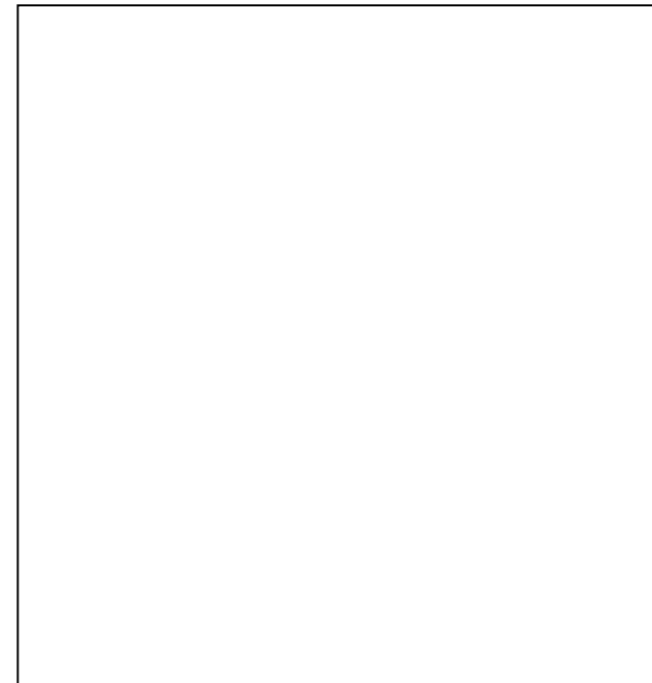
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