

# NEWSLETTER

## Parish of Aughaninshin Church of the Irish Martyrs



### THE DEEP END • DESIRE

In Titian's painting *Noli Me Tangere* (1511-15), the risen Jesus veers just inches away from Mary's touch. She may, in a second, fall to the ground. In the eternal now of the painting, however, she remains just inches away. Mary desires touch to make sense of sight but must learn to let go in order know her rabbi more deeply. A resuscitated Jesus could only ever be a phantom, a zombie even. The risen Jesus remains present no longer as the mistaken gardener but in the bodies of others, in the touch of the community that form his body.

In today's readings Paul and John both speak of desire. Paul urges the Ephesians to abandon old desires and illusions while John's Jesus tells his followers that their desire is misplaced. They are looking for food that rots but he is offering himself as bread from heaven. Paul asks his readers to desire Christ, to unite themselves to his body. Likewise, in the Gospel, Jesus offers his body. This is no attempt to flee the world. Instead, Christian faith invites us to live as the body of Christ and, in so doing, experience his presence in the bodies of others.

Paul Clogher

### Times of Masses & Services

#### Mass Times

##### Sunday Masses

Saturday Evening	6.30pm
Sunday Morning	9.30am & 11.30am

##### Weekday Masses

Monday to Saturday	9.30am
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#### Confessions

After Saturday evening Mass or on request

#### Baptisms

1st & 3rd Sunday of the month at 12.30pm  
2nd & 4th Saturday of the month at 4pm

Parents who wish to have their child baptised must give at least 2 weeks notice and will be visited by members of the Baptism Preparation Team to assist you in your preparation for the Sacrament.

*No times outside of the above  
are available for Baptisms.*

#### Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesdays after 9.30am Mass until 9pm  
1st Saturday from 7.30pm to 9.30am Sunday

**FIRST  
FRIDAY**

Fr. Brian & Fr. James will visit the sick & housebound at the usual times on Friday, 7th August.

If you, or some one you know, would like to be included on this list please contact the Parish Office.

# This Week's Notices

## PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES

Director: Fr. J. Gillespie. 23rd to 28th August. From Knock (bus extra). 5 nights full board €699 per person sharing. For further details and to book please contact K. McKeague 9121551.

## YOUTH 2000 SUMMER FESTIVAL

### CISTERCIAN COLLEGE, ROSCREA, CO. TIPPERARY

From Thursday, 13th to Sunday, 16th August. For young people aged 16-35. An opportunity not to be missed to experience the Catholic faith and meet many new people, with over 1,000 young people from all corners of Ireland attending last year. The festival is donation only. Free buses available from all around the country. For more info and to book online visit [www.youth2000.ie](http://www.youth2000.ie) or call 01-6753690.

## RAPHOE DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK

This pilgrimage to Knock Shrine will take place on Saturday, 15th August led by Rev. Philip Boyce, DD, O.C.D., Bishop of Raphoe. Mass in Basilica at 3pm. Anointing of the sick and special blessing of the sick during Mass. Confessions from 11am. More information [www.knock-shrine.ie](http://www.knock-shrine.ie).

## BALLYRAINE FOOTBALL CLUB

Registration will be held in Arena 7 next Tuesday, 4th August from 7.30pm to 8.30pm.

## LOURDES PILGRIMAGE

Pilgrimage to Lourdes from 28<sup>th</sup> Aug to 2<sup>nd</sup> Sept 2015 – 5 Nights in Lourdes, Hotel Paradis. Cost €719pps includes insurance. Single room supplement €150. Led by Fr Patrick Hughes and Fr James Sweeney. Enquiries to Parish Office Bruckless 074 9737015. Pilgrimage organiser, Pilgrimages Abroad, Lauri Duffy Travel to whom all monies must be paid, License no. 052 PH Tel: 016359300. There are only 7 seats left on this pilgrimage. Immediate booking required.

## KNOCK COUNSELLING CENTRE

Provides a confidential Drop – In listening service for pilgrims and visitors to Our Lady's Shrine of Knock on weekends from April to October. The Centre is open Saturdays and Sundays, 11am to 5pm, offering people the opportunity to discuss personal issues and difficulties in a caring environment. For further information call 094 9375032 or visit [www.knock-shrine.ie/counselling](http://www.knock-shrine.ie/counselling) or just call into the Centre – no appointment needed. A donation is appreciated towards the provision of this service.

## HSE RETIRED GROUP NIGHT OUT

Dinner and Dance in Rosapenna Hotel, Downings on Sunday, 16th August at 6.30pm. To book please contact Kathleen 9121551 or Breed 9122605 or Charlie 9126696 by Thursday, 13th August.

## BACK TO SCHOOL BARGAINS & BRIC A BRAC

Sale on in the Old Boy's School, Letterkenny on 22nd August from 10.30am to 12.30pm. In aid of Mary's Meals.



This weekend we welcome

Jake James Devlin  
Aoife Kathleen Doherty &  
Nuala Catherine Lynch

into God's Community

*[Jesus said,]*

*“Do not work for food that spoils; instead, work for the food that lasts for eternal life.”*

*John 6:27*

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