

July Services

Date/Day	Readings	Time/Place		
1st/2nd July 3rd Sunday after Trinity	Wisdom 1:13-15 & 2:23-24 Psalm 30 2 Corinthians 8:7-15 St Mark 5:21-43	Saturday, 8.00pm Borris-in-Ossory Eucharist	Sunday, 10.30am Lacca Eucharist	Sunday, 12.00am Mountrath Morning Prayer and Baptism
8th/9th July 4th Sunday after Trinity	Ezekiel 2:1-5 Psalm 123 2 Corinthians 12:2-10 St Mark 6:1-13	Saturday, 8.00pm Seir Kieran Evening Prayer	Sunday, 10.00am Annatrim Morning Prayer	Sunday, 11.30am Roskelton Eucharist
15th/16th July 5th Sunday after Trinity	Amos 7:7-15 Psalm 85:8-13 Ephesians 1:3-14 St Mark 6:14-29	Saturday, 8.00pm Borris-in-Ossory Evening Prayer	Sunday, 10.30am Lacca Morning Prayer	Sunday, 11.30am Mountrath Eucharist
22nd July Feast of St Mary Magdalene	Song of Solomon 3:1-4 Psalm 42:1-10 2 Corinthians 5:14-18 St John 20:1-2 & 11-18	Saturday, 8.00pm Seir Kieran Eucharist		
23rd July 6th Sunday after Trinity	Jeremiah 23:1-6 Psalm 23 Ephesians 1:15-28 St Mark 6:30-34 & 53-56		Sunday, 10.00am Annatrim Eucharist	Sunday, 11.30am Roskelton Morning Prayer
25th July Tuesday Feast of Saint James the Apostle	Jeremiah 45:1-5 Psalm 126 Acts 11:27-12:2 St Matthew 20:20-28	11.00am Mountrath Eucharist		
30th July 7th Sunday after Trinity	2 Kings 4:42-44 Psalm 145:10-19 Ephesians 3:14-21 St John 6:1-21	1.00pm Seir Kieran Eucharist United Service & Summer Picnic		

Morning Prayer/Evening Prayer: the Old Testament and Gospel readings are read by a lector or lectors.
Eucharist: the Old Testament and the Epistle are read by a lector or lectors.

Parish Diary - July

June 30th-July 4th....Summer Madness
 June 30th.....Clononagh National School Bag-Pack, Tesco (4.00pm-9.00pm)
 1st Saturday.....Clononagh National School Bag-Pack, Tesco (11.00am-6.00pm)
 3rd Monday.....Clononagh National School, Painting Detail (7.30pm)
 19th Wednesday.....**Closing date for August 2006 Newsletter items!**
 30th Sunday.....United Service & Summer Picnic, Seir Kieran, (1.00pm)
 30th Sunday.....Puppet Team at Corbally Service and Fun Day
 August 5th.....Puppet Team at Shinrone Fun Day
 August 5th-7th.....Killermogh Flower Festival, Durrow (11.00am-6.00pm)
 August 21st-25th.....Holiday Club

Table Tennis practice every second Friday at 7.30pm in the Parochial Hall.
Badminton practice every Tuesday and Thursday at 8.30pm in the Parochial Hall.

Sunday School for Juniors & Seniors, St. Peter's Church, Mountrath (during Sunday service, except United and Family services).



Clononagh Group of Parishes - July 2006

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Rector's Notes

Holy Baptism

We warmly welcome into the Body of Christ, Glenn Alex Joseph, son of Thelma and William Whitten, who was baptised at Seir Kieran in Clareen, on Sunday the 28th of May.

Our sympathy-

to the family and friends of John Abbott of Shannon Street, Mountrath, who died on Sunday the 11th of June in Portlaoise Hospital.

to the family and friends of Mary Byrne of Redcastle, Mountrath, who died on Sunday the 11th of June. They will both be sorely missed.

Get well wishes to Sylvia Stotesbury Lawlor who is recovering after a spell in hospital.

Congratulations to Robert and James Harvey on their success at the county Fleadh in Clonaslee. They have qualified for the Leinster Fleadh in Carlow on the 8th and 9th of July. Robert achieved 8 firsts and 2 second places on Flute, Whistle, Piccolo, Whistling and Liltling; James achieved 8 firsts and 1 second place medal on Banjo, Mandolin, Mandola, Tin Whistle and Liltling.

Also, congratulations to Jenna Holmes on achieving the Languages Award in Patrician College, Ballyfin.

Girls Friendly Society

Congratulations to two young parishioners who won prizes at the annual Girls Friendly Society prize giving service at St Canice's Cathedral on Sunday the 21st of May last.

Katy Hayes (5-7 years)- *Hand Craft*, 1st in Cashel and Ossory Diocese & Highly Commended in All Ireland

Elizabeth Parkinson (5-7 years)- *Hand Craft*, Highly commended in Cashel & Ossory Diocese

National School Service

The Diocesan National School Service took place in St Peter's Church, Mountrath, on the 9th of June last. How pleasant it was to have a packed church for a service other than a wedding or a funeral. A big thank you to Robert Lawson, a student reader from the Church of Ireland Theological College, who travelled all the way down from Dublin, to preach the sermon. It was wonderful to sit back and listen to somebody else for a change!

Clononagh National School decorated the church beautifully! It looked like the positive garden of Eden. The theme of the service being "Birds of the Bible", there was plant life and avian birds of every variety and to make it realistic, there were animals and reptiles too!

Thank you to all the children and



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staff of the school, for putting their wonderful imaginations to use in preparing the church for this special occasion. Thank you too, to Alison Chambers, Mary Allen and Linda Lalor who helped with the preparation and for returning to help clean up afterwards. We must not forget to thank Hawthorn Nurseries for trusting us with €100s worth of plants and small trees for the day!

Our collection at the service was for the Bishop's Appeal and it came to the grand total of €486. On behalf of those who will benefit from this money, we thank you.

Confirmation Class Trip to Dublin

On Friday the 22nd of June last, the Confirmation class of 2006 went to Dublin for the day.

First of all, what with five girls in the class, we had to do a little shopping on Grafton Street and its environs. Then we went on to the Irish Jewish Museum on Walworth Street, where the curator Raphael Sieve and friend, showed us around and took time and patience to explain things and answer our varied questions.

After lunch in the vaults of Dublin Castle, we visited the chapel and the oldest part of the castle and then off we went to the Chester Beatty Library, where we saw wonderful works of art from the Western, Islamic and East Asian worlds. We also visited the Sacred Traditions Gallery, dedicated the great religions of the world, such as Judaism, Christianity, Islam, Buddhism and Hinduism.

To conclude our Dublin visit, we enjoyed Choral Evensong at Christ Church Cathedral. The Cathedral staff were expecting us and the children and accompanying adults were welcomed very warmly at the door by Fred, a verger of long standing at the cathedral.

All in all, we had a very interest-

ing and happy day, thanks be to God.

Thank you also, to the class: Lisa Lalor, Samantha Hayes, Sarah Jane Allen, Sinéad Knowles and Yvonne Vanston, for being such wonderful students during your preparation for confirmation and to Linda Lalor, Mary Allen and David Knowles for giving of their time and sharing the day with us. A big thank you to David Knowles for driving the second car and risking following the rector through Dublin city centre.

~Rev'd Stella

If anyone is interested in purchasing a **New Revised Standard Bible** for an exceptionally good price of 16 euro contact Jennifer Lalor 05787 35962 (Bulk order received last month).

The Killermogh Union of Parishes is to present a **Flower Festival** entitled "Stepping through Time". It will be held in St Fintan's Church, Durrow, Co. Laois on Saturday 5th, Sunday 6th & Monday 7th August 2006, from 11.00am-6.00pm and there will be a special service on the Sunday at 7.00pm.

Group bookings are welcome ~ (057) 8739602 / (087) 6356715. Admission €10, Groups 10+ €7. Proceeds in aid of Parish Funds and the Durrow Community Council. Eva Holmes is Floral Art Advisor.

Clonenagh National School Fund-raising committee

We are delighted to report that several people took part in the **Flora Mini Marathon** in Dublin on the School's behalf. These included Linda Lalor, Michelle Stone, Yvonne Chambers, 'Marcella' (Mark) Chambers, 'Harriet' (Harry) Vanston, Alison Chambers, and Emily Dunne. Full details of the figure collected should be available

for the August Newsletter.

We would like to thank most sincerely everyone who took part and all those who made donations. Thanks also to the people who responded most generously to our brown envelope appeal sent with the last Newsletter.

Our next venture is a **bag-pack** in Tesco, Portlaoise to be held on Friday the 30th June from 4-9pm and on Saturday the 1st July from 11am-6pm. We are very lucky to be given this op-



portunity as there are waiting lists from organisations for bag packs. We need to be able to man ten registers on each day so it is imperative we get adequate help. If there is anyone who could give us some of their time on either day it would be greatly appreciated. Please contact the school for details of the schedule as soon as possible. (Please note this is only suitable for children from 6th class upwards.)

Competitors representing Clonenagh National School at the Flora Mini marathon in Dublin recently. Left to right: Alison Chambers, Linda Lalor, Michelle Stone, "Harriet" Vanston, Emily Dunne, "Marcella" Chambers, and Yvonne Chambers.

13 young people from the parish will be travelling to **Summer Madness** next week to enjoy fun activities, worship, BBQ and camping in good weather we hope!!

In July the **Puppet Team** have been asked to participate in Corbally service and fun day 30th July. On the 5th August they will be performing in Shinrone at a fun day. Some of the team are also attending other holiday clubs throughout the diocese. Please keep them in your prayers as they do this voluntary work.

The **Toddle Waddle** raised €105 for Barnardos. Well done to all who toddled and enjoyed the picnic afterwards.

Well done to all who sat **exams** over June. Time to sit back and enjoy the summer holidays.

Just a reminder about the **Holiday Club** which is on the 21st to 25th August 10-1pm daily. Some forms have already been returned but if anyone needs a form or more information please contact Linda on 086-1966166.

Items for inclusion in the August Newsletter need to be with the editor by the Wednesday (**19th July**) before the **fourth** Sunday AT THE LATEST, so that the newsletter can be assembled, printed, and distributed in time for the fourth Sunday (**23rd July**).

Ideally, items should be submitted by e-mail to- newsletter@clonenagh.com

Otherwise to- Ivor Clegg, Cloncourse, Mountrath, Co. Laois. 057-8621277 or 087-2522162

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