

Services for September 2007				
Day / Date	Lectionary	Time and Place		
1 <sup>st</sup> /2 <sup>nd</sup> 13 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity Green	<i>Sirach 10:12-18</i> <i>Psalms 112</i> <i>Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16</i> <i>St Luke 14:1, 7-14</i>	Saturday <b>Borris-in-Ossory</b> Confirmation Service 8p.m.	Sunday <b>Lacca</b> Eucharist Preacher: Rev'd Paul Hoey 10a.m.	Sunday <b>Mountrath</b> Eucharist Preacher: Rev'd Paul Hoey 11.30a.m.
8 <sup>th</sup> Green	<b>Harvest Lectionary C</b> <i>Deuteronomy 26:1-11</i> <i>Psalms 100</i> <i>Philippians 4:4-9</i> <i>St John 6:25-35</i>	Saturday <b>Roskelton</b> Harvest Thanksgiving 8p.m.		
9 <sup>th</sup> 14 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity Hard Gospel Sunday Green	<i>Isaiah 58:6-12</i> <i>Psalms 15</i> <i>2 Corinthians 5:14-21</i> <i>St Luke 10:25-37</i>	Sunday <b>Mountrath</b> Eucharist 9a.m.	Sunday <b>Annatrim</b> Eucharist 10a.m.	Sunday <b>Seir Kieran</b> Morning Prayer 12.00
Sunday 16 <sup>th</sup> 15 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity Green	<i>Exodus 32:7-14</i> <i>Psalms 51:1-11</i> <i>1 Timothy 1:12-17</i> <i>St Luke 15:1-10</i>	Sunday <b>Borris-in-Ossory</b> Eucharist 10a.m.	Sunday at <b>Mountrath</b> Clonenagh National School Opening Service All Welcome! 11.30a.m.	Sunday <b>Lacca</b> Harvest Thanksgiving <b>Harvest Lectionary</b> as Sat 8 <sup>th</sup> and Sun 30 <sup>th</sup> 3p.m.
21 <sup>st</sup> <b>Feast of St. Matthew</b> Red	<i>Proverbs 3:13-18</i> <i>Psalms 119:65-72</i> <i>2 Corinthians 4:1-6</i> <i>St Matthew 19:16-30</i>	Friday <b>St Peter's, Mountrath</b> Eucharist 9.30a.m.		
22 <sup>nd</sup> /23 <sup>rd</sup> 15 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity Green	<i>Amos 8:4-7</i> <i>Psalms 113</i> <i>1 Timothy 2:1-7</i> <i>St Luke 16:1-13</i>	Saturday <b>Seir Kieran</b> Eucharist 8p.m.	Sunday <b>Mountrath</b> Eucharist 9a.m.	Sunday <b>Annatrim</b> Morning Prayer 10a.m.
30 <sup>th</sup> 17 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity 5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday United Service	<b>Harvest Lectionary C</b> <i>Deuteronomy 26:1-11</i> <i>Psalms 100</i> <i>Philippians 4:4-9</i> <i>St John 6:25-35</i>	Sunday <b>Borris-in-Ossory</b> Harvest Thanksgiving 8p.m.		
<b>Morning/Evening Prayer:</b> All three readings are read by a lector or lectors None of the MP/EP readings finish with the words "This is the Word of the Lord." <b>Eucharist:</b> The Old Testament and Epistle are read by a lector or lectors.				
<b>Mid week services in St Peter's, Mountrath,</b> are at <b>9.30a.m.</b> <b>Morning Prayer:</b> Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday <b>Eucharist:</b> Wednesdays and Saint's Days.				

### Parish Diary - September

13th Thursday.....Clonenagh Badminton AGM, Parochial Hall (8.30pm)  
 19th Wednesday.....**Closing date for October Newsletter items!**  
 24th Monday.....MU&YW meeting, Parochial Hall, following opening service (8.00pm)  
 October 5th&19th.....Table Tennis, Junior Practice, Parochial Hall (7.30 -9.30pm)  
 October 26th.....Clonenagh N.S. Fundraising, Floral Demonstration, Parochial Hall

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



## Clonenagh Group of Parishes - September 2007

Annatrim, Borris-in-Ossory, Lacca, Mountrath, Roskelton, Seir Kieran.

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### Rector's Notes

#### Confirmation

We look forward to Bishop Michael Burrows joining us in St Mark's Church, Borris-in-Ossory on Saturday the 1st of September at 8p.m., when he will confirm Tara Knowles, Craig Knowles, Maggi Knowles and Elaine Holmes.

#### Harvest

We will not celebrate Harvest in every one of our six churches this year, as the numbers who have attended in the past, would not give the good Lord any idea that a celebration was taking place at all. So this year, we will celebrate in three of our churches and they are:

#### St Matthew's, Roskelton

Saturday 8th September at 8p.m.

Preacher: The Rev'd Lady Stella Durand

Guest: Fr James Kelly

#### Lacca

Sunday 16th September at 3p.m.

Preacher: The Rev'd Patrick Harvey

Guest: Fr John Lalor

#### St Mark's, Borris-in-Ossory

Sunday 30th September at 8p.m.

Preacher: The Rev'd Marie Rowley Brooke

Guest: Fr Jackie Robinson

#### Weekday Readings for September

(P = Psalm)

3 Jeremiah 2:23-37, P 62, Luke 4 16-30

4 Jeremiah 3:1-14, P 66, Luke 4:31-37

5 Colossians 1:1-8, P 69, Luke 4:38-44

6 Jeremiah 15:10-21, P 72, Luke 5:1-11

7 Jeremiah 16:15-25, P 69, Luke 4:38-44

10 Jeremiah 18:12-23, P 79, Luke 6:6-11

11 Jeremiah 19:1-15, P 83, Luke 6:12-19

12 Colossians 3:1-11, P 87, Luke 6:20-26

13 Jeremiah 13:20-27, P 89:19-52,

Luke 6:20-26

14 Jeremiah 4:13-21, P 95, Luke 6:43-49

17 Jeremiah 5:1-17, P 101, Luke 7:1-10

18 Jeremiah 5:18-31, P 104, Luke 7:11-17

19 1 Timothy 3:14-16, P 105:23-45,

Luke 7:31-35

20 Jeremiah 12:14-13:11, P 105:23-45,

Luke 7:31-35

21 Proverbs 3:13-18, P 119:65-72,

Matthew 9:9-13

24 Jeremiah 9:12-26, P 114, Luke 8:19-31

25 Jeremiah 10:1-16, P 118, Luke 8:19-31

26 Ezra 9:5-9, P 48, Luke 9:1-6

27 Jeremiah 23:9-22, P 119:73-96,

Luke 9 :7-9

28 Jeremiah 23:23-32, P 119 121-144,

Luke 9:18-22

#### Clonenagh National School

Welcome back to all the students and staff after a somewhat wet summer! Let's hope we get an Indian summer and get some sun before the winter comes in. Ms Michelle Stone takes over as acting principal this term as Mr Kevin O'Mahony has moved on to another school. We wish Mr O'Mahony and his family every blessing for the future. We will have a temporary teacher to assist Ms Stone until such time as the new principal is appointed. At the time of going to press, we are unable to let you know who this teacher is, as the appointment process has not yet been completed.

The opening service for Clonenagh National School will be in St Peter's Church on Sunday the 16th of September at 11.30a.m.

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## The Railway Children

A big thank you to our wonderful hard working committee who worked their socks off, to get the exhibition in aid of the Railway Children of Tanzania (Street Children) off the ground.

The whole event was very successful and the art and crafts and flowers were impressive. I am pleased to say that so far, at the time of going to press, we have made €3,300 and when we add the moneys made by Joan Bennett's walk, we will have an even fatter cheque to give to the Bishop on the 29th of August.

I am very grateful to Senator David Norris for coming down to us and opening the exhibition. It was as usual, a pleasure to have him with us.

Thanks to all those who donated money to this worthy cause and to those who bought items at the exhibition.

**Congratulations** to Robert and James Harvey on their recent success in the Leinster Fleadh.

Robert won first prize in the under 18s flute, flute slow airs and whistling, and he got second in under 18s tin whistle, and tin whistle slow airs.

James won first prize in the 15 to 18 Banjo and mandolin and he got a second in 15 to 18 mandola.

At the World Fleadh, the brothers swept the boards again with James being the new world champion on banjo and Robert won second prize on flute. Well done!

## Management of Burial Grounds

Quote from the Constitution of the Church of Ireland –

“The officiating member of the clergy and churchwardens shall have power to permit headstones, flat stones, railings, and vaults to be erected and made; and shall be entitled to charge such fees for the erection of the same, and for burial in such vaults, and in those already made, and in graves, respectively, as the select vestry shall appoint, with the consent of the diocesan council: Provided that no

inscriptions be allowed unless the same shall have been approved by the officiating member of the clergy, with an appeal to the ordinary.”

What this means, is that work in any of the grave yards in Clonenagh Group of Parishes, must first be approved by the rector and the churchwardens of the day. Once approved, the work may only begin when the rector has been notified of the time and date of the proposed work. The care of all burial grounds is vested in the Representative Church Body and they entrust the clergy and churchwardens to make sure these rules are kept, subject to the control of the Representative Body.

I thank those who have already followed the procedures as written and ask for compliance from those who plan to have work done on graves in the future.

## Domestic Abuse

Are you experiencing domestic abuse? If you are and need support and information, contact the Laois Support Service against Domestic Abuse in the Portlaoise Parish Centre. Phone: 057 8671100

Time: 9a.m. to 4.30p.m. Monday to Friday (Drop in or by appointment). Confidentiality assured.

## Christian Aid

Millions of people across Asia have been affected recently by some of the worst flooding in years. Christian Aid and partners are providing essential aid to those in need. Currently they are trying to raise €3 million to do this work. €220 could provide a rescue boat. €680 could feed 40 families for a week in Bihar, India.

If you would like to help, please send your donation to the Dublin office: Christian Aid Ireland, 17 Clanwilliam Terrace, Dublin 2. Phone: 01 6110801.

You can see updates on the work of Christian Aid on [www.christianaid.ie](http://www.christianaid.ie)

~Rev'd Stella

**Deepest sympathy** to Jillian Hayes on the death of her uncle in Cloughjordan.

**Our thoughts and prayers** are with Billy McDowell who is currently unwell.

**Congratulations** to Valerie and John Handcock who celebrated their 25th Wedding Anniversary on the 9th of August; to Henry & Tricia Roe on the birth of their baby boy on Monday 20th August; to John & Annette Roe on becoming grandparents for the first time in August; and to Mark Handcock on passing his Leaving Certificate.

## Holy Baptism

Jessica Elizabeth Cooper, daughter of Glenn & Simone, was baptised in St. Jude's Church Annatrim on Sunday 12th August.

**Lacca Harvest Thanksgiving and Dedication** to the memory of the late Eileen Holmes will take place on Sunday, 16th of September at 3.00p.m. Visiting preacher will be Canon Patrick Harvey.

**Mothers' Union & Young Wives** will hold their opening service in St. Peter's Church, Mountrath on 24th Sept at 8.00pm. This will be followed by a short meeting when the coming year's events will be discussed and planned. It is important that every member attends to set a good foundation of the branch in the coming important year. Mrs. Emily Jackson, Mrs. Margaret McKay and Mrs. Mabel Peavoy will be in charge of the supper.

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

Ideally, items should be submitted by e-mail to- [newsletter@clonenagh.com](mailto:newsletter@clonenagh.com)  
Otherwise to- Ivor Clegg, Cloncourse, Mountrath, Co. Laois. 057-8621277 or 087-2522162

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**Table Tennis** gets underway for '07/'08 season in October, Junior practice starts on Friday October 5th. It continues on October 19th, November 2nd, 16th, 30th, December 14th, January 4th, 18th, February 1st, 15th, 29th, March 14th and 28th, 7.30-9.00pm each evening. Further practice nights will be listed later.

Senior Table Tennis on each Friday evenings at 8.45pm (no Table Tennis on October 26th).

All players and beginners are welcome, further enquiries to 086-8684693.

## Clonenagh National School Fundraising Committee

The bag-pack organised in Tesco for the August bank Holiday Weekend was a huge success with a total of €2700.00 collected in coins and small notes.

The committee would like to thank most sincerely the parents/supporters who gave up their valuable time, yet again, to ensure this was tremendous success on behalf of the School.

Our next venture is scheduled for Friday 26th October 2007 in the Parochial hall, Mountrath. This will be a Floral Demonstration by the much acclaimed Eva Holmes Dip. Hort. & Dip. J.D.T. AOIFA. Full details to follow.

**Clonenagh Badminton AGM** will be held on Thursday 13th September at 8.30pm in the Parochial Hall. All are welcome and hopefully we will see some new faces for the coming season.