



Clonenagh Group of Parishes - June 2012

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

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From the Rector:

Course: The Rector is attending a two day course at the Centre for Studies in Rural Ministry at Harwarden in North Wales on 29th and 30th May, flying out early on Tuesday morning and back late on Wednesday evening. Telephone calls will reach him as usual.

School Fête: Clonenagh National School holds its summer fête on Sunday, 17th June at 2.00 pm. There will be great value bargains to be had; lots of goodies to eat; and important and necessary money will be raised for school funds.

Summer series: Our midweek services in Borris-in-Ossory resume on Wednesday, 20th June. Between June and mid-September, we are going to have a thirteen week look at the Bible, going through it section by section. The plan we hope to follow is: 20th June - Introduction
27th June - The Law (Genesis to Deuteronomy) 4th July - History (Joshua to Esther) 11th July - Wisdom (Job to Song of Solomon) 18th July - Major Prophets (Isaiah to Daniel) 25th July - Minor Prophets 1 (Hosea to Micah) 1st August - Minor Prophets 2 (Nahum to Malachi) 8th August - The Gospels (Saint Matthew to Saint John) 15th

Confirmation service: Our confirmation service takes place on Sunday, 10th June 2012 at 3.30 pm at Mountrath Church. Prayers are asked for the five candidates from our parishes who will be confirmed by the bishop that afternoon - Dylan, Jayne, Laetitia, Ross and Wesley.

Mothers' Union: Clonenagh Mothers' Union have stretched the month of May in order to have their 'Mums in May' evening on Wednesday, 13th June at 7.00 pm. There will be a walk followed by tea at the Parochial Hall in Mountrath.

June Services 2012

First Sunday (3rd)	Isaiah 6: 1-8 Psalm 29 Romans 8: 12-17 John 3: 1-17	Roskelton 9.30am Morning Prayer	Seir Kieran 9.30am Morning Prayer	Lacca 10.30am Holy Communion	Borris-in-Ossory 11.00am Morning Prayer	Mountrath 11.30am Holy Communion
Second Sunday (10th)	1 Samuel 8: 4-20 Psalm 138 2 Corinthians 4: 13 - 5: 1 Mark 3: 20-35	Seir Kieran 9.30am Holy Communion		Annatrim 11.00am Holy Communion	Mountrath 3.30pm Confirmation Service	
Third Sunday (17th)	1 Samuel 15: 34 -16: 13 Psalm 20 2 Corinthians 5: 6 -17 Mark 4: 26 -34	Seir Kieran 9.30am Morning Prayer	Roskelton 9.30am Holy Communion	Lacca 10.30am Morning Prayer	Borris-in-Ossory 11.00am Holy Communion	Mountrath 11.30am Morning Prayer
Fourth Sunday (24th)	1 Samuel 17: 1a, 4-11, 19-23, 32-49 Psalm 9: 9-20 2 Corinthians 6: 1-13 Mark 4: 35-41	Seir Kieran 9.30am Morning Prayer		Annatrim 11.00am Morning Prayer		Mountrath 11.30am Holy Communion

Parish Diary - June

May 27th.....Parish Barbecue/Fun Day, Rectory grounds (2.00pm)
13th Wednesday...MU&YW walk, talk & relax evening (Parochial Hall (7.00pm)
17th Sunday.....Clonenagh N.S. Fête (2.00pm)
20th Wednesday..Closing date for July 2012 Newsletter items!

Items for inclusion in the July 2012 Newsletter need to be with the editor by WEDNESDAY June 20th AT THE LATEST, so that the Newsletter can be assembled, printed, and distributed in time for the 4th Sunday, June 24th.

PLEASE make a reasonable effort to make your item as ready for publication as possible, particularly with regard to punctuation, paragraphs, spelling, and the **NON**-use of contractions and 'text-speak'. Most importantly, please ensure that you spell names correctly.

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

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

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August – The Acts of the Apostles
22nd August – Saint Paul's Letters to the Churches (Romans – 2 Thessalonians)
29th August – Saint Paul's Letters to Individuals (1 Timothy – Philemon)
5th September - General Letters (Saint James to Saint Jude)
12th September – The Revelation to Saint John.

We shall be welcoming Bishop Michael as our speaker on the Gospels on Wednesday, 8th August. Please do put the dates into your diary and do plan to be present for each evening of the series.

End of Year Service: Clonenagh National School hold their end of year service in Saint Peter's Church, Mountrath on Thursday, 28th June

Saint Peter's Day: There will be Holy Communion for Saint Peter's Day in Mountrath on Friday, 29th June at 8 pm.

Baptism: Colin Shirley of Kee-lough Glebe was welcomed into Christ's Church through the sacrament of Holy Baptism at Offerlane Church on Sunday, 13th May.

Wedding: Good wishes to Samantha Kavanagh of Derrymore, Mountrath and Jonathan McNamara of Ballyhaunis, Co Mayo, who were married at Saint Matthew's Church, Roskelton on Monday, 7th May 2012.

Funeral: Family and friends of Colin Gladwin of Old Church Avenue, Mountrath bade farewell to him at a funeral ceremony at Newlands Cross on Monday, 14th May. Having spent years filled with life, surrounded by love, Colin had borne with dignity the illness he had suffered since moving from England. We remember his wife Barbara and the family in their time of sadness.

Western Front Visit: The Rector will be away from Wednesday, 6th June until Saturday, 9th June with the bishop and others from the diocese visiting the battlefields of Flanders in Belgium and of the Somme in France. On Thursday, 7th June, the 95th anniversary of the battle of Messines, we shall remember Martin Jestin of Borris-in-Ossory who died on the first morning of that battle. The Rector will have his phone with him and emergency calls should, in the first instance, be made to him at 087 240 5753.

~lan Poulton

Parish Notes:

DON'T FORGET the Barbecue/ Fun Day in the Rectory grounds on Sunday May 27th, commencing at 2pm.



Mothers' Union & Young Wives have been busy for the month of May, hosting the Senior Citizen's lunch on Wednesday 9th in the Parochial Hall. Many thanks to all who helped make this a success as it was enjoyed by all who attended. The Festival Service was held in Bunclody on Wednesday 16th when the rector, Canon Ian Poulton was commissioned as chaplain and also preached at the service; he gave a most inspiring address and the branch would like to congratulate him, wishing him all the very best in his role.

On Wednesday 13th June the branch will mark the 125th anniversary of Mothers' Union in Ireland by hosting a walk, talk and relax evening in the Parochial Hall starting at 7pm. ALL AGE GROUPS are welcome and please bring a Hi-Vis jacket if you would like to join in the walk. Non-walkers can relax over an arm chair quiz, donations towards MU projects in the diocese. Your support will be greatly appreciated.

Rathdowney branch invite anyone interested in joining them on their tour to the chocolate factory and Rathwood Garden Centre, Tullow Co. Carlow on Saturday 7th July, for more details contact Irene 0505 46311 or Sandra 087 8107084.

Clareen Traditional Weekend

Friday 8th – Sunday 10th June 2012 at GAA Grounds, Clareen.

Friday 8th, 9pm: Launch of CD, Storytelling, Craic and Dance.

Saturday 9th: 2-6pm: Sean-nós Dancing Workshop. Admission: €10

Sunday 10th, 1.30-6pm: Field Day and Auction.

Proceeds from the weekend are being divided between National Council for The Blind of Ireland and local charities.