

Services & Readings

February						
Sunday 4th <i>2nd Sunday before Lent</i>	<i>Proverbs 8: 1, 22-31 Psalm 104: 26-37 Colossians 1: 15-20 John 1: 1-14</i>	Seir Kieran 9.30am Morning Prayer	Roskelton 9.30am Holy Communion	Lacca 10.30am Holy Communion	Borris-in-Ossory 11.00am Morning Prayer	Mountrath 3.00pm Dedication Service
Sunday 11th <i>Sunday before Lent</i>	<i>2 Kings 2: 1-12 Psalm 50: 1-6 2 Corinthians 4: 3-6 Mark 9: 2-9</i>	Annatrim 11.00am GFS Enrolment		Mountrath 11.30am Morning Prayer		
Wednesday 14th <i>Ash Wednesday</i>	<i>Joel 2: 1-2, 12-17 Psalm 51: 1-18 2 Corinthians 5:20b-6:10 Matthew 6: 1-6, 16-21</i>	Mountrath 8.00pm Holy Communion				
Sunday 18th <i>1st Sunday in Lent</i>	<i>Genesis 9: 8-17 Psalm 25: 1-9 1 Peter 3: 18-22 Mark 1: 9-15</i>	Seir Kieran 9.30am Holy Communion	Roskelton 9.30am Holy Communion	Borris-in-Ossory 11.00am Holy Communion	Mountrath 11.30am Holy Communion	Lacca 4.00pm Service of the Word or Evening Prayer
Saturday/Sunday 24th/25th <i>2nd Sunday in Lent</i>	<i>Genesis 17: 1-7, 15-16 Psalm 22: 23-31 Romans 4: 13-25 Mark 8: 31-38</i>	Seir Kieran Saturday 8.00pm Evening Prayer	Lacca Sunday 10.30am Family Service	Annatrim Sunday 11.00am Holy Communion	Mountrath Sunday 11.30am Morning Prayer	
PLEASE NOTE: This timetable is PROVISIONAL and is subject to change Check on www.clonenagh.com for the most up to date information						

Parish Diary

January

30th Tuesday.....Fundraising Committee Meeting (*page 2*)

February

2nd Friday.....G.F.S. Meeting (*page 2*)

6th Tuesday.....Closing date for Diocesan Magazine Notes (*page 2*)

16th Friday.....G.F.S. Meeting (*page 2*)

21st Wednesday...Closing date for March 2018 Newsletter

26th Monday.....Closing date for Clonenagh N.S. enrolment (*page 2*)

Items for the March 2018 Newsletter need to be with the editor by **WEDNESDAY February 21st AT THE LATEST**, so that the Newsletter can be assembled in time for the Fourth Sunday, February 25th.
PLEASE make your item as ready for publication as possible, and please ensure that names are spelled 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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The Newsletter

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Children's Christmas Party at Lacca

On the 23rd of December the folk at Lacca held a Children's Christmas party.

There were 16 children and lots of helpers.

For a couple of hours the children enjoyed themselves so much, playing games and doing crafts and of course a delicious tea for all.

Clonenagh Group of Parishes

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

Parish Notes

Condolences to Mabel Peavoy on the death of her brother George Wallace in Canada, to the Lalor family on the death of Annie's sister Mrs. Cantwell, and to the Harvey family on the sudden death of Moira's niece Dorcas Corrigan.

Please keep in your **thoughts and prayers** all our fellow parishioners who are unwell at the moment.

Mountrath Mothers' Union had their meeting on Monday night, with guest speaker was Carol Stanley who spoke on her trip to India and showed slides which everybody enjoyed.

Clonagh National School enrolments for September 2018 take place now. Please contact the school on 057-8732516 or by email to school@clonagh.com and an application form will be sent to you. Closing date for receipt of application forms is Monday 26th February.

The **Service of Rededication** of the windows in St. Peters Church on Sunday February 4th 2018 at 3pm, will be conducted by The Most Rev. Michael Burrows.

Refreshments will be served in the Parochial Hall after the service, and contributions of tray bakes, cakes, buns, or scones would be gratefully appreciated.

Fundraising meeting in the Parochial Hall at 8:30pm on Tuesday night, January 30th, to make final arrangements for the Rededication Service .

GFS Enrolment Service will be held in Annatrim Church on Sunday 11th February at 11am. We look forward to having our Diocesan GFS Chaplain Revd Mairt Hanley officiating the Service.

GFS Meetings:

Friday 2nd February 19.15-20.45
Parochial Hall

Friday 16th February 19.15-20.45
Parochial Hall

Diocesan Magazine Notes: Anyone who has notes for the Diocesan Magazine should please get them to Emily Jackson or Serena Senior by 6th February.



Our first **Fellowship Service** for 2018 is on Thursday 8th February at 8pm followed by tea. All are welcome

The **Third Sunday Service** is on the 18th of February at Lacca at 4pm followed by tea. Everyone is welcome.

Our **Family Service** at Lacca continues on the 25th of February at 10.30a m.



In response to the article about Rev Amos in last month's Newsletter, thank you very sincerely to those who gave him a gift, he really appreciated it so much. ~Joan 086 2226629

HOW BECOMING ORGANISED HELPS

When you think about, anything to do with our wellbeing starts with getting organised. This is where decluttering comes in and the immense enjoyment that organisation can bring. Just being surrounded by so much stuff can cause a lot of anxiety. Living in a home where you can't find anything, where every surface has something on it, where drawers are broken and the contents of cupboards fall out on top of you, where everyone is chasing their tails and there are constant arguments around the possessions, cannot be good for your health.

Organisation is not going to take all your problems away. It's not going to make a child better or ease the stress of minding an elderly parent or make you feel less lonely. What it will do, though, is give you some breathing space; a little order in a world where you may feel there is none. It reduces the amount of cleaning you have to do; it saves you

money; it means that you don't have to nag so much; it enables you to find what you need when you need it; it means that you know where you're going and when, and what you're doing. There's just space. Physical, emotional, mental space.

Incorporating some organisation into your lifestyle will help return you to a state of comfort. The level of organisation you need or wish to achieve depends on your goals and your time. Decluttering is the necessary evil you have to go through in order to create space. After that there is the art of organisation which is the fun bit if you can stick with the process. Stick with it long enough and it'll truly get under your skin and it will simply become something you do and you'll love it. So start today. It doesn't have to be the whole house. It could be papers, a wardrobe, kitchen cupboard, and photos, whatever you choose. Declutter and enjoy the feeling it evokes.

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