

The Newsletter

July/August 2018

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Ven. Archdeacon J Murray with Mr Stanley Lalor and Mrs Moira Harvey (Offerlane church wardens) making a presentation to Fr John Lalor, Camross, on the Occasion of his Golden Jubilee, Sunday June 10th

Clonenagh Group of Parishes

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

Parish Notes

Congratulations to Derrick Wallace and Kathleen Troy on the birth of a baby girl, Saoirse Molly, born on May 22nd.

Congratulations too to proud Grandparents Vicky and Roy.

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

We are all looking forward to the **Institution** of **Rev Victor Andrew Fitzpatrick B.A.** which takes place on Friday August 24th at 8.00pm in St. Peter's Church. There will be refreshments served in the Parochial Hall after the service. Everyone is very welcome.

St. Peter's Day will be celebrated with a **Service of Holy Communion** on Thursday June 28th at 8.00pm in St. Peter's Church.

The **Fundraising Committee** would like to thank everyone who supported the **Annual Clonenagh Golf Classic** on Friday June 9th in spite of the heavy rain and thunder & lightening, and made it a great success. Thanks to sponsors, team members, those who gave raffle prizes, and everyone who contributed in any way.

Congratulations to all who won prizes on the day.

To date, the 2018 Golf Classic has raised €6,148.

A meeting of the **Select Vestry of Clonenagh Parish** will be held in the Parochial Hall at 8.30pm on Tuesday July 10th.

Anyone who has notes for the **Diocesan Magazine** should get them to Emily Jackson or Serena Senior by July 6th/ August 6th.

Thank you to all who participated in the Borris-in-Ossory "**All in the cooking**" quiz. The winners were: Mary Thompson, Borris in Ossory; Ross Handcock, Boherard, Ballacolla; and May Hamilton, Roscrea.

Borris-in-Ossory Parish are holding an **Afternoon Tea Party & Sale** in the home of Martin and Margaret Jestin on Saturday July 28th from 2:30pm. All welcome.

The Fellowship Service at **Lacca** will be held on Thursday 12th of July at 8.00pm. All are welcome.

The **Family Service** continues on the fourth Sunday 22nd July at 10.30am. The **Holiday Bible Club** Team will join us at this service, and it will be followed by tea and fun and games on the lawn.

The **Fifth Sunday Group Service** will be in Lacca on Sunday 29th July at 11.00am.

Don't forget "**Waste Watchers**" **Holiday Bible Club** in **Lacca** during the summer, 16th-20th July.

Closing date for applications is 16th July, if spaces are still available. Application forms can be obtained from Lacca Church, Moira Harvey or Joanne Shore.

Mother's Union invite members, friends, and all interested parishioners to **afternoon tea and viewing of Enda Thompson/Phelan's Gardens** at Laois Angling Centre, Coolrain, on Saturday July 21st at 3.00pm. Admission €9 for a tour of the gardens and tea.

Please contact Jean on 085 7074805 or Mabel on 086 2033720 by Wednesday July 18th.

Clonagh National School Fete was held on Sunday 17th June. The afternoon brightened up well after the morning rain, and there was a good crowd. There was fun for all the family, with penalty shots, cake stall, ice cream, fantastic burgers & hot dogs, and a welcome cup of tea in the Tea Tent with hostesses Sylvia & Emily.

At the end of the day, the school draw took place with lots of prizes.



Although it was Father's Day on Sunday, one father had a special treat



Smiles

A little girl became restless as the sermon dragged on and on. Finally, she leaned over to her mother and whispered, "Mammy, if we give him the money now, will he let us go?"

A Sunday school teacher asked the children just before she dismissed them to go to church, "And why is it necessary to be quiet in church?"

One replied, "Because people are sleeping."

A Sunday school teacher was discussing the Ten Commandments with her five and six year olds. After explaining the commandment to "honour thy father and thy mother," she asked, "Is there a commandment that teaches us how to treat our brothers and sisters?"

Without missing a beat one little boy answered, "Thou shall not kill."

At Sunday School they were teaching how God created everything, including human beings. Little Johnny seemed especially interested when he heard that Eve was created out of one of Adam's ribs. Later in the week his mother noticed him lying down as though he were ill, and said, "Johnny, what is the matter?"

Little Johnny responded, "I have pain in my side. I think I'm going to have a wife."

A boy was watching his father, the rector, write a sermon.

"How do you know what to say?" he asked.

"Why, God tells me."

"Oh, then why do you keep crossing things out?"

Attending a wedding for the first time, a little girl whispered to her mother, "Why is the bride dressed in white?"

"Because white is the colour of happiness and today is the happiest day of her life."

The child thought about this for a moment, then said "So why is the groom wearing black?"

A little boy was given a one Euro coin to put in the collection plate, but when the plate came around, he wouldn't put it in. After the end of the service though, when he went to shake the rector's hand, he took out the coin and handed it over. The rector asked him, "Why are you giving this money to me? Why didn't you put it in the collection plate?"

And the boy answered, "Because my mammy says you're the poorest rector we've ever had!"

A rector went out one Saturday to visit some parishioners. At one house, it was obvious that someone was home, but nobody came to the door even though he knocked several times. Finally, he took out his card, wrote out "Revelation 3:20" on the back of it, and put it in the letterbox.

Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and dine with him, and he with me. ~ Revelation 3:20

The next day, the card turned up in the collection plate. Below the rector's message was written the following notation:

I heard your voice in the garden, and I was afraid because I was naked; and I hid myself. ~ Genesis 3:10

Toddlers Trip to Roll 'n' Bowl



On Tuesday 19th June, the Toddlers and their parents had a lovely morning in the Roll 'n' Bowl play area. It was a great end to their season until September

Energy based healing practices have been around for thousands of years and the belief is that with certain techniques we have the power to tap into our inner strengths to soothe and heal ourselves. Try this simple technique for yourself and see what happens.

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FINGERHOLDS TO MANAGE EMOTIONS

The following practice is a simple way to work with emotions by holding each finger. Emotions and feelings are like waves of energy moving through the body and mind. Through each finger runs a channel or meridian of energy connected with an organ system and related emotions. With strong or overwhelming feelings, energy can become blocked or repressed, resulting in pain or congestion in the body. Holding each finger while breathing deeply can bring emotional and physical release and healing.

The fingerholds are a very helpful tool to use in daily life. In difficult or challenging situations when tears, anger or anxiety arise, the fingers may be held to bring peace, focus and calm so that the appropriate response or action may be taken. The practice may also be done for relaxation with music, or used before going to sleep to release the problems of the day and to bring deep peace to body and mind. The practice may be done on oneself or on another person.

FINGERHOLD PRACTICE:

Hold each finger with the opposite hand 2-5 minutes. You can work with either hand. Breathe in deeply; recognize and acknowledge the strong or disturbing feelings or emotions you hold inside yourself. Breathe out slowly and let go. Imagine the feelings draining out your finger into the earth. Breathe in a sense of harmony, strength and healing. And breathe out slowly, releasing past feelings and problems.

Often as you hold each finger, you can feel a pulsing sensation as the energy and feelings move and become balanced. You can hold the fingers of someone else who is angry or upset. The fingerholds are very helpful for young children who are crying or having a tantrum, or can be used with people who are very fearful, anxious, sick or dying.



Items for the September 2018 Newsletter need to be with the editor by **WEDNESDAY August 22nd AT THE LATEST**, so that the Newsletter can be assembled in time for the Fourth Sunday, August 26th.

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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*Adam Peavoy with his family & cousins at his christening
in St Jude's Church, Annatrim on May 12th*

Services & Readings

June

Thursday 28th St. Peter's Day		Mountrath 8.00pm Holy Communion
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July

Sunday 1st 5 th Sunday after Trinity	2 Samuel 1: 1, 17-27 Psalm 130 2 Corinthians 8: 7-15 Mark 5: 21-43	Roskelton 9.30am Holy Communion	Seir Kieran 9.30am Morning Prayer	Lacca 10.30am Holy Communion	Borris-in-Ossory 11.00am Morning Prayer	Mountrath 11.30am Holy Communion
Sunday 8th 6 th Sunday after Trinity	2 Samuel 5: 1-5, 9-10 Psalm 48 2 Corinthians 12: 2-10 Mark 6: 1-13	Annatrim 11.00am Morning Prayer		Mountrath 11.30am Morning Prayer		
Thursday 12th		Lacca 8.00pm Fellowship Service				
Sunday 15th 7 th Sunday after Trinity	2 Samuel 6: 1-5, 12b-19 Psalm 24 Ephesians 1: 3-14 Mark 6: 14-29	Roskelton 9.30am Holy Communion	Seir Kieran 9.30am Holy Communion	Lacca 10.30am Service of the Word	Borris-in-Ossory 11.00am Holy Communion	Mountrath 11.30am Holy Communion
Saturday/ Sunday 21st/22nd 8 th Sunday after Trinity	2 Samuel 7: 1-14a Psalm 89: 20-37 Ephesians 2: 11-22 Mark 6: 30-34, 53-56	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	
Sunday 29th 9 th Sunday after Trinity	2 Samuel 11: 1-15 Psalm 14 Ephesians 3: 14-21 John 6: 1-21	Lacca Sunday 11.00am Group Service				

August

Sunday 5th 10 th Sunday after Trinity	2 Samuel 11:26 - 12:13a Psalm 51: 1-13 Ephesians 4: 1-16 John 6: 24-35	Roskelton 9.30am Holy Communion	Seir Kieran 9.30am Morning Prayer	Lacca 10.30am Holy Communion	Borris-in-Ossory 11.00am Morning Prayer	Mountrath 11.30am Holy Communion
Sunday 12th 11 th Sunday after Trinity	2 Samuel 18: 5-9, 15, 31-33 Psalm 130 Ephesians 4: 25 - 5: 2 John 6: 35, 41-51	Annatrim 11.00am Morning Prayer		Mountrath 11.30am Morning Prayer		
Sunday 19th 12 th Sunday after Trinity	1 Kings 2: 10-12; 3: 3-14 Psalm 111 Ephesians 5: 15-20 John 6: 51-58	Roskelton 9.30am Holy Communion	Seir Kieran 9.30am Holy Communion	Lacca 10.30am Service of the Word	Borris-in-Ossory 11.00am Holy Communion	Mountrath 11.30am Holy Communion
Friday 24th		Mountrath 8.00pm Institution of Rev. Victor Fitzpatrick				
Sunday 26th 13 th Sunday after Trinity	1 Kings 8: 1,6,10-11, 22-30,41-43 Psalm 84 Ephesians 6: 10-20 John 6: 56-69	To Be Confirmed				