

**Burrishoole Parish**  
**October 24th/25th 2020**  
**Fr Tod Nolan P.P. 098 42665**  
**Parish Office 098 41123**

**Open, Tue - Thu 11am-3pm,**  
**Book Masses, Baptisms & Marriages; get certs &**  
**Mass cards. Items for Newsletter by Thurs, 3pm.**  
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### **Trusting the Experts**

Every second year one of the major polling companies do a poll asking people which of the professions they trust the most. The Ipsos MRBI Veracity poll it is called. This year not surprisingly Nurses came out on top followed by local pharmacists! Sadly, Clergy/Priests came well down the list with just 54% of respondents saying they would generally trust them to tell the truth.

I couldn't help but think of that list recently as I lay on the broad of my back in the dentist's chair waiting to have a tooth removed! I have an irrational fear of dentists which probably goes back to a childhood of chewing toffees and a mouthful of dental fillings! As I sat there trying to smile through the small talk I desperately tried to convince myself that my dentist knew what he was doing and that whatever discomfort there might be it would be minimal. For some reason dentists don't appear on the list but as I sat there with mouth wide open I for one trusted my dentist 100%.

Trust is a strange thing. Polls like the one above indicate that as a community our sense of trust in each other continues to be eroded. Just over half of us would trust the ordinary person in the street. Yet during periods in our lives trust is necessary and comes easy. As children we trust our parents and our teachers, as adults we trust family and friends and as we grow older we trust those who care for us.

At other times, often at times of vulnerability and need, we trust people that we do not know, we trust experts. Doctors, nurses, pharmacists, scientists, NPHEt even appeared on the most recent list. We trust them because of their wisdom, their education, their experience and their reputation. We trust them because we have to trust them.

As I sat on that dentist's chair with mouth wide open waiting for my procedure to begin I wished I could have been anywhere else in the world! But I trusted my dentist; I trusted his advice that there was no alternative, I trusted his knowledge that he knew what to do and I trusted his skill that he would

do it causing me the least discomfort! Thankfully my trust wasn't misplaced.

Throughout this pandemic we have been asked to trust the experts. They have sought to protect and guide us. In an ever-changing environment they have kept us safe. Yes, perhaps mistakes were made, in hindsight some things might have been done differently. But in our time of need we rightly relied on the experts.

It is no longer down to the experts.. We know what needs to be done and we must trust each other to do it. We are now the experts

The next six weeks will be difficult, but we can and we will get through them. Let us trust ourselves and let us trust each other.

God Bless, Fr Tod

### **Remembering our Dead**

November is the month when we remember our dead in a special way. Beginning on Nov 1<sup>st</sup> a novena of Masses will be held to pray for our deceased relatives and friends.

Envelopes and lists for the names of the dead are available in each the parish churches. You are invited to call in during the week and leave your completed list in the basket provided. All envelopes will be gathered up next weekend and brought to the parish church where the novena of Masses will be celebrated. Please do not place any money in the envelope.

At 10am Mass on November 8<sup>th</sup> a Remembrance Mass will be celebrated for those from our parish who have died over the past year. If families would like to have parishioners who died outside of the parish during the past year included in the Mass they are invited to drop in names over the coming week.

### **Parish Volunteer Group**

We have a Parish Volunteer Group set up which is available to assist those who are cocooning or in self-isolation with collecting messages, prescriptions etc. If you need anything please call Fr Tod on 098 41123 or Guard Ronan O Grady on 086 8333535. We are here to help

### **Envelope Collection**

Thank you for your ongoing support of your parish. These are challenging times for many people. With Masses currently suspended Envelopes can be dropped in the letterboxes of either Parish house. Your generosity is deeply appreciated. If it is more convenient to hold on to the envelopes for a number of weeks please do so. Thank you

### **New Parish Office Opening Times**

In keeping with Level 5 restrictions the parish office will be closed to the public for the next number of weeks. The office will however be attended Tuesdays to Thursday from 11am – 3pm. Due to Covid restrictions you are requested to phone or email Mass intentions and certificate requests.

### **Mass Schedule and Intentions**

Covid Level 5 has meant that for the next six weeks we cannot gather for Mass in our Churches. All Masses are now celebrated without a congregation and will be available through Facebook Live and on Parish Radio. Families wishing to have their loved ones remembered at Mass can still do so. Saturday evening Mass will be celebrated for intentions booked for Shramore and Tiernaur churches and Sunday morning Mass will be celebrated for intentions booked for Newport and Mulranny churches.

### **Doherty's Mulranny making Deliveries**

Doherty's, Mulranny run a delivery service for those keeping safe at home. Ring the shop at 098 36109 or Róna at 087 656 3280 to avail of this service.

### **Senior Line Service for Older People**

If you are an older person and would like someone to talk to, particularly since Covid-19, consider phoning SeniorLine. We are Ireland's national confidential service for older people. We are open every day of the year from 10am-10pm. We are older people too, trained to listen and support. We would love to hear from you. Phone 1800 80 45 91

### **Murrivaugh Cemetery Collection**

The Annual Murrivaugh Cemetery Collection amounted to €1,090. This money will be spent on upgrading and maintaining the cemetery. This Summer the cemetery index map was updated and replaced at a cost of €300. Thank you to all who have contributed so generously.

### **Burrishoole Graveyard Collection**

The annual collection for the upkeep of Burrishoole Graveyard would normally have taken place last August at the Pattern Mass. Due to COVID restrictions the collection did not take place. This has not stopped the hard-working committee from being fully committed to maintaining the graveyard to its usual high standard but they rely on the proceeds of the collection to be able to cover the expenses associated with enhancement and upkeep.

The committee are launching an appeal to all households in the area whose loved ones are at rest in the graveyard to make a donation and enable them to keep up the good work. Contribution can be placed in an envelope and posted through the door of the parish office in Newport or passed to any of the following members of the committee: - Jimmy O'Malley, Pat Hughes, Christy Horan, Billy Chambers, Kevin O'Malley, Anthony Lenighan, Helen and Jack Keane.

The committee is very grateful to those who have already come forward and made a donation. They thank everyone for their continued support and generosity.

### **Eucharistic Adoration**

Eucharistic Adoration is currently suspended. Our churches remain open and you are invited to drop in at any time.

### **Weekday 10am Mass Intentions:**

**All Masses available on Facebook and on Parish Radio**

**Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday at 10am:**  
For those working on the frontline during the Pandemic.

### **Weekend Mass Intentions**

**All Masses available on Facebook and on Parish Radio**

**Saturday October 24<sup>th</sup> at 7pm:**

The People of the Parish

**Sunday October 25<sup>th</sup> at 10am:**

P.J. Donnelly, Tawnawoggaun (Months Mind)  
Mary & Paddy Clancy, Quay Road, Newport;  
Neil Chambers & his wife Maureen, Shramore & all deceased members of the Chambers & Rooney families. Ger Morrissey, Killererin

**Saturday October 31<sup>st</sup> at 7pm:**

The People of the Parish

**Sunday November 1<sup>st</sup> at 10am:**

Mamie Taylor (née O'Neill) Southampton & Lettermaghera (Months Mind); Michael & Rose McManamon, Graffy, George Reid, Quay Rd., Bernie Rumley, Rosturk