PARISH OF POBAL

Easter Sunday: 4th April 2021.

Website: pobalparish.com and Webcam - www.churchservices.tv/Tempo.

Priest: Fr. John Halton, Parochial House, Tempo. Tel. 895 41344.

Sunday Masses: Tempo: 11.00am, Cradien 9.30am.

Weekday Masses: Tempo: Tuesday 10.00am, Friday 7.00pm. Cradien: Thursday 9.30am Eucharistic Ministers: Tempo: Sunday 11th April – Eugene McGrade & Ann Marie Kelly.

Cradien; Sunday 11th April – Lorraine Moore.

Anniversaries: Cradien - Mass: Saturday 10th April @10.00am - M.M.M. Ignatius Murphy (Iggy)

<u>Baptism:</u> We welcome into the Community of Faith-Dara Patrick McDonald- Coolcan Road, Culcran, who was baptised in the Church of the Immaculate Conception on Saturday 27th March 2021. May his home be filled with love, prayer, joy and happiness?

On Line during Lent: Bishop Larry is very anxious that our lay people get more involved in our parishes. He has spoken about it many times since he became Bishop. Together with His diocesan Liturgical Team he is leading the way. Their three week course on the involvement of the laity was very successful, as each speaker made it very obvious that our call to ministry doesn't come from the Bishop, or from the priests but from Christ himself. The call to ministry comes through our Baptism. As bishop Larry told us, parish life is changing dramatically. The teacher in the school in Monaghan spoke very well on her ministry as a teacher of religion in her school. She was enthusiastic, joyful, serious and humorous. The young married man who spoke about his ministry with very young children during Mass was also very impressive. Ursula and her team took on this ministry here in the old Priests House, and did a great job until other commitments called her to other things. We compliment and thank her. Unfortunately no one came forward to replace her. Fr Chester spoke very well about the pastoral care of deceased people in the Parish. In Monaghan town the parish has already began to train lay people to get involved in a new ministry.—the ministry of funerals. He left us in no doubt that the number of parishes in the diocese who have no priest had become numerous. At this time, he said priests in the larger parishes were in danger of burn- out. He mentioned Enniskillen Parish, and Monaghan Parish where the numbers of Funerals was so high that priests were under pressure, yet both of these parishes have now become responsible for an extra Parish. Enniskillen has taken responsibility for our own parish of Pobal, and Monaghan have taken responsibility for Three- mile- House Parish. We don't have priests to come to these parishes. Therefore a number of lay people are in training now to take over some of the work of organising funerals in these parishes. This will become the norm in every parish. The lay people will be called upon to organise and help in organising funerals, visiting houses after a death, helping people prepare the liturgy, and meeting the remains if the body of the deceased person comes to the church on the night before the funeral. I know that many people will come forward to help- the bishop mentioned the local football club who would be glad to help. We know that we have many people who are already helping. I mention Grainne who celebrated the Stations of the Cross with us every Monday Night during Lent online. She also took part in the Diocesan Stations of the Cross. I also mention Maire who recited the Rosary every Thursday night online, and joined Grainne on the diocesan Stations of the Cross. I also mention Catherine who proclaimed the Word of God every Friday Night online during Lent. They are an encouragement to more to come along. (To be continued.)

Mass on Sundays: Advance notice of your intention to attend Sunday Mass must be given to the designated person to book your place. To book your place in Tempo Church Telephone 07501 084259 (Tues & Thurs 2-5pm) or 07718 821060 (Fri 7-9pm). The number to book your place in Cradien is 07866 174766 (Thurs & Fri 2-5pm). We can only have 50 people present at each ceremony and booking is required. The wearing of masks is mandatory in Churches.

Both Churches are now fully booked for Mass on Easter Sunday morning.

Readers: Tempo: Mary Moohan

Cradien: 4th – Aileen Cox, 11th – James Naan, 18th – Thomas Cox, 25th – Tony Cox.