Third Sunday Of Easter:

PARISH OF POBAL

18th April 2021.

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

Fr. John Halton, Parochial House, Tempo. Tel. 895 41344. **Priest:** Cradien 9.30am.

Sunday Masses: Tempo: 11.00am,

Weekday Masses: Tempo: Tuesday 10.00am, Friday 7.00pm. Cradien: Thursday 9.30am

Eucharistic Ministers: Tempo: Sunday 25th April – Siobhan McManus & Maire McKeagney.

Cradien; Sunday 25th April – Eugene Campbell.

Anniversaries: Tempo: Fri 23rd April (7.00pm) – Johnny McNally, Edenmore Crescent.

Benny Bogue, Lower Doon. (1st Anniversary)

Tommie, Annie & Sean Farry, Clarnagh

Kate Farry, Killaculla.

Baptisms: We welcome into the Community of Faith - Bobby Jack Brennan, Riverside View, Tempo, who was baptised on Saturday 10th April 2021, and Thomas Patrick Dunne, Coolcran, Tempo, who was baptised on Sunday 11th of April 2021 in the Church of The Immaculate Conception, Tempo. May their home be filled with love, prayer, happiness and joy!

The Irish Church will have a Synod within five years. A Synod is an Assembly of the church in Ireland. A group of Bishops have been working on this possibility for some time. This Assembly will include bishops, priests, and laity. The assembly is being called so that we may grow in Faith. It is not called to change the doctrines of the church, but to help us grow in our understanding of the doctrines of the church. The assembly will include lay people from every Parish, and Diocese in the country. It will involve a great deal of work for all of us.1: As a country we will find out how healthy we are as a church today.2: Then we will find out where we want to be in a number of years, 3: and lastly we will discern how we will get there in a few years. It will involve young people, middle aged people and senior people. It will involve meetings, discussions, lectures, and discernment. Decisions will not be decided by majority rule, but will be sought through discernment. In the realm of matters of Faith the process of discernment is very important for all progress will be sought through the help of the Holy Spirit. Discernment means quiet reflection, while we allow the Holy Spirit work within us. Reflection rather than argument will be uppermost in all our coming together. An immense work is required before we begin the assembly proper. The preparatory work will include prayer, for only through prayer can the Holy Spirit inspire us. One of the great issues to be dealt with will be the decline of Faith in the last fifty years. In that time the transformation has been great, and the secularisation of society has been great, bringing with it a major decline in the practice of the faith, and a decline in the number of vocations to the priesthood and religious life. Another obvious issue which is very important is the contribution of women in the church. Their role in the church to date has been extremely important, and as we listen, and share with them their leadership role will become more obvious. As leaders in the domestic church they have much to offer to the universal Church which must be honoured and accepted. I would like you to talk about the synod among your neighbours, and ask questions about it.

DIOCESAN SERVICE OF LIGHT FOR CONFIRMATION: WEDNESDAY 21st APRIL at 7.30pm. Bishop Duffy will lead a Service of Light for all the Confirmation candidates across the diocese and their families and school communities on this Wednesday 21st April 2021 at 7.30pm in St Macartan's Cathedral Monaghan via www.clogherdiocese.ie, and the Diocese of Clogher Facebook page. Every candidate and family, including the wider parish community is invited to take in this online. The Hearts on Fire resources for confirmation are available on www.clogherdiocese,ie/heartsonfire.

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.