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Shannon Parish Newsletter

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Office hours: Tuesdays & Wednesdays 9.30am-5.30pm (lunch hour 12.30pm-1.30pm), Thursdays 9am-1pm

Sunday Masses: 8.45 at Airport Oratory 9am, 11am at Mary Immaculate Church 10am, 12.15pm at SS John & Paul Church

Weekday Masses: 9.30am at Mary Immaculate 10am at Skycourt Adoration Chapel 7pm at SS John & Paul **Saturday** 12 noon at Mary Immaculate, 6.30pm at SS John & Paul

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LIVE STREAMING FROM SS JOHN & PAUL CHURCH

5th Sunday of Easter Sunday 14th May 2017

Last Sunday's Offerings: €2,483

We extend our Prayers & Sympathy:



To Kathleen Hughes, Tola Park on the death of her sister Mary Brodie, Kilfenora, who was buried last weekend. To Paddy Keohane, Tola Park on the death of his brother Liam Keohane.

Months Mind Mass

Saturday next at 6.30pm for Michael O'Donovan, Ballycasey Hill.

First Anniversary Masses

This Saturday at 6.30pm for Kathleen Corbett, Cul na Greine. This Saturday at 6.30pm for Ro Doyle, Lios Darog. Sunday next at 11am for Mary McDonald, Corrib Drive. Sunday next at 12.15pm for Michael Downes, Lios na Ri, Ballycasey.

Lourdes Sick & Invalid Pilgrim Appeal

Our second collection at all Masses this weekend is appealing to your generosity to support and make possible for sick and some terminally ill people to travel to Lourdes next month, on the Diocesan Pilgrimage. The Diocese will be bringing over 60 sick pilgrims with a medical and caring team to support their needs. This is made possible because of the generosity of so many people to this appeal. Our thanks to individuals and organisations that sponsor or part sponsor a sick pilgrim to travel to Lourdes.

Trócaire: We make a final appeal for the return of Trócaire boxes and contributions. We hope to be able to forward our contributions to Trócaire by the end of the week.

Bereavement Committee Meeting this Monday evening at 7.30 in Cuan na nOg, SS John & Paul Church.

Blessing of Expectant Mothers



All couples expecting a baby in the coming weeks or months are invited to a special blessing for the gift of new life on Wednesday next 17th May, at 9pm in The Jubilee Chapel of Mary Immaculate Church. Please share this invitation with any expectant mother you may know.

May – Diocesan Safeguarding Month

The Diocese has published Child Friendly Safeguarding leaflets and posters. These are available in each Church and the Parish Office. The Church has a sacred obligation to ensure that children are welcomed, cherished and protected in a manner consistent with their central place in the life of the Church.

Mass in Lemenagh Cemetery

The annual Mass in Lemenagh Cemetery will be celebrated on Tuesday 30th May at 8pm.

Baptisms

We welcome into the Christian community:

*Sophie Kenc, Emma Majella O'Donoghue
Xander Kane Pelearco, Ruby Iwazkowska
Amelia Bridget McNulty, Amelia Grace Hayes
Tadhg Frank Michael O'Donnell,
Aoibhinn Kate Kenneally, Clodagh Clare Kirby
Nessa Mai Dawson, Antonia Olejniczak
Millie Joy Sherlock, John Thomas Harty
Mark Patrick Mulqueen, Jolan Patrick Harold
Anthony Patrick Hourihan, Bernard James McDonagh
who were Baptised recently.*

A Date for your Diary: Bishop Fintan will celebrate our Golden Jubilee of our Parish at a special Mass to be celebrated in the grounds of Wolfe Tones on Saturday 24th June at 6.30pm. (More details later).



Young people receiving Confirmation who would like to join the Pioneer Group, please contact Seamus McEvoy on 086 0762900.

CONFIRMATION 2017



On Friday next, we welcome Bishop Fintan Monahan on his first visit to the Parish to confirm children. 122 children from all our six Primary Schools will receive the Sacrament in three different ceremonies:

Friday at 4pm in SS John & Paul Church for St. Aidan's School

Saturday at 10.30am in SS John & Paul Church for St. Conaire's School

Saturday at 2.30pm in Mary Immaculate Church for St. Senan's, St. Tola's, Gael Scoil Donncha Rua & St. John's Schools.

We congratulate the children and thank their teachers and Faith Friends Leaders who journey with them at this time.

Helping the Children of Ghana

We thank the children who made First Holy Communion in recent weeks for sharing some of the generosity they received with the children of Ghana, Africa, who are suffering at the present time due to lack of food and excessive heat. The children who will be Confirmed next weekend are invited also to share some of the generosity they receive with the children of Ghana.

Flowers of the Rarest

*Bring flowers of the rarest bring blossoms the fairest,
From gardens and woodlands and hillside and dale,
Our full hearts are swelling, our glad voices telling
the praise of the loveliest flower of the vale.*



*O Mary we crown thee with blossoms today,
Queen of the Angels and Queen of the May.
O Mary we crown thee with blossoms today,
Queen of the Angels and Queen of the May.*



*Their lady they name thee, their mistress proclaim thee
Oh, grant that thy children on earth be as true.
As long as the bowers are radiant with flowers,
As long as the azure shall keep its bright blue.*