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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

Sunday 15th April 2018 3rd Sunday of Easter

Last Sunday's Offerings: €2,515

We acknowledge €200 donation to Lourdes Invalid Fund.



We Extend our Prayers & Sympathy to:

The families of: Patsy Cahill, 5 Finian Park who was buried on Tuesday. Robert Conway, Newmarket-on-Fergus, buried on Wednesday. Sheila Donovan, 68 Tullyvarraga Crescent, buried on Thursday. John McCarthy, 101 Cluain Airne, buried on Friday.

Months Mind Masses

This Saturday at 6.30pm for Margaret Mulqueen, Cluain Airne. This Sunday at 11am for Eoin O'Sullivan, Lattin, Co. Tipperary & late of Tradaree Court. Sunday next at 11am for Gerry Hanley, Corrib Drive.

Priests' Easter collection

We thank Parishioners who contributed to this first collection of the year for the Priests' of the Parish. Any remaining contributions can be left in during the week.

Trócaire

Thank you for your contributions to Trócaire. We ask that any Trócaire boxes you see in homes that you be so kind as to return them to your local Primary School or Church. The hardest part of the Trócaire Lenten Campaign each year is getting the Trócaire box from the kitchen table to the Church!

Blood Donation Clinic

On Wednesday next from 5pm to 8pm in Bunratty Castle Hotel.



First Communion Preparation Mass

For St. Aidan's and Gael Scoil Doncha Rua on Sunday next at 10am Mass.

9.30am Mass

Please note that due to confirmation at 11am in Mary Immaculate Church on Wednesday, the 9.30am Mass that day is cancelled. 10am Mass in the Adoration Chapel as normal.

CONFIRMATION



We welcome Bishop Fintan Monahan to the Parish on Tuesday and Wednesday as he confirms pupils in all our six Primary Schools.

On Tuesday at 11am in SS John & Paul Church, the children from St. Conaire's will receive the Sacrament.

On Wednesday at 11am in Mary Immaculate Church, the children from St. Senan's, St. Tola's, Gael Scoil Donncha Rua & St. John's will receive the Sacrament.

At 3pm on Wednesday afternoon, the children from St. Aidan's will be confirmed in SS John & Paul Church.

We congratulate the children and we thank their teachers, school staff and Faith Friends who have prepared and accompanied the children in recent years, but especially in the past few months.

Helping the children of Kenya



Each year, we invite children who receive Confirmation and First Holy Communion to share some of the generosity they receive on the occasion with children from a developing country who lack the basic essentials that we take so much for granted.

This year, our project is with the children of Kenya in Africa who are cared for by the Sisters of Mercy from our Diocese. We are grateful to the Apostolic workers who help us with this project each year. It is in giving that we receive and it is in sharing that we are blessed.

On Friday August 24th at the World Meeting of Families Congress, the Munster Province (which includes Killaloe Diocese) are invited to form a combined provincial choir to sing at 2 major liturgies (9am Morning Prayer in the Simmons Court RDS, and 4pm Eucharist in the RDS Arena). If your choir would like to participate please contact Derek Mahady directly at music@worldmeeting2018.ie All choirs are encouraged to participate on this day focused on the theme of HOPE!

Stain Glass Window

As part of the Golden Jubilee Celebrations for our Parish, a stain glass window of St. John Paul on the occasion of his visit to Shannon on 1st October 1979 was commissioned for SS John & Paul Church.

The commission was based on the original photograph of Pope John Paul leaving Shannon Airport as captured by the late Padraig O'Reilly from Fergus Drive, who died last October. The work was carried out by Art Glass, who are based in Derry and the window was installed in the Church in the past week.

On Tuesday next, during his visit to the Parish for Confirmation, Bishop Fintan will dedicate the window to St. John Paul. We welcome donations and contributions towards the window and we are most grateful for contributions of €500, €200 and €50 from parishioners. We also wish to acknowledge €707 received from the Polish, Ukraine, Estonia & Russian communities at the recent Blessing of Food for Easter, for this project.



Shannon Spring Clean: Time to look around and see what needs to be done to enhance and care for our town! Shannon Tidy Towns are having a clean-up day on Saturday April 21st at 10.30am. Meeting points will be: Drumgeely Shopping Centre, Town Hall & SS John & Paul Church. Bags & gloves provided. Come out and do your part to make Shannon a clean, litter-free town we can all be proud of!