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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

Sunday 21st March 2010

Fifth Sunday of Lent

Last Sunday's Collection: €3,018

Our Prayers & Sympathy go to:



The Histon family, Corrib Drive, on the death of Pauline who died on Wednesday. Funeral Mass at 2pm in Shanagolden this Sunday. To Anne Bridgeman-Jackson, 2 Gleann na Smol on the death of her brother Brendan O'Sullivan, London. To Dave O'Brien, 16 Tullyvarraga Crescent on the death of his brother John O'Brien, London. To Joan O'Connell, Tullyglass Court on the death of her brother Flan McMahon, who died in England. To Maureen O'Shea, Tullyglass Court Lower on the death of her brother Sean Griffin, Dingle, Co. Kerry. The death occurred in Clonmel last weekend of Johanna Walsh, sister of the late Nono O'Brien, Collins Park.

Months Mind Masses

Saturday next at 6.30pm for Michael Dillon, Finian Park and Bridget McDaid, Cronan Grove. Sunday next at 11am for Rose Tambling, Boyne Park.



Welcome to The Franciscan Friars

This weekend, we welcome Fr's Liam, Joe and Feargus who are preaching at all our Masses, inviting us to join with the people of Newmarket-on-Fergus for a Reconciliation Service on this Monday evening at 7pm in SS John & Paul Church. (Please note there will be no Mass). The Friars will lead the Reconciliation Service and will be available for individual Confession. This is an ideal opportunity to prepare for Holy Week and Easter.

Pastoral Council

The bi-monthly meeting will take place on Wednesday at 8pm in SS John & Paul Presbytery. Please note change of venue.

Polish Mass

The next Polish Mass will be celebrated on Saturday next at 8pm in SS John & Paul Church.

The ACIES Ceremony (consecration to Our Lady) for active and auxiliary members of the Legion of Mary will take place in Ennis Cathedral after the 7.30pm Mass on Thursday, 25th March. All are welcome.



HOLY WEEK

weekend, we begin the Liturgy of Holy Week, with the singing of the Palm at all Masses on Palm Sunday.

A Special Enriching Weekend

Give your husband or wife a special gift of an enriching weekend away with you on the 16-18 April in the Lake Hotel, Killarney. A weekend with a difference, that will help deepen your commitment to one another and enrich the joys you share together, whether you are recently married or many years married. Visit www.marriageencounter.ie or phone Anne 021 4381511 or Bernadette 064 6644319.

Trocaire Lenten Appeal



The annual collection for Trocaire to help the poor of the world will be taken up as a second Collection at all Masses next weekend (Palm Sunday). This annual Appeal during lent give us an opportunity to put into practice the great Lenten call of almsgiving and charity. Trocaire is an Irish word meaning "Mercy". Your contribution to Trocaire shows great mercy to the poor and needy.

Mary Immaculate Renovations – Update

Work is progressing in Mary Immaculate Church and it is hoped to have the Church ready for occupation on Holy Thursday April 1st. Daily Mass continues in the Convent Oratory this week and next Sunday Masses (Palm Sunday) in SS John & Paul Church are: 9am, 10am, 11am and 12.15pm. We regret any inconvenience the present renovation work is causing and we thank you for your patience.

Masses for Lent

9am & 7pm – SS John & Paul 9.30am – Convent Oratory

10am & 1pm (lunchtime Mass) - Skycourt Adoration Chapel.

Stations of The Cross

During Lent, the Stations will be prayed after the 9.30am Mass on Fridays and after the 7pm Mass on Wednesdays.

Mary Immaculate College offering MA in Christian Leadership in Education

This two year programme, commencing in June 2010, will lead to a professional qualification with a strong theology component for those working as school principals, members of boards of management and members of the school trusts. See http://www.mic.ul.ie/theology/images/MA%20CL.pdf or contact Admissions Office at 061 204348 and 204929, or email admissions@mic.ul.ie Applications close April 23rd.

Shannon Athletics Club

AGM in the Oakwood Arms Hotel on Wednesday at 8pm.

Could you turn your hand to becoming a Priest?

Does your current Job fit you? Why not look beyond the norm? Come along to a Vocations open day on April 17th in Mount St. Joseph Abbey, Roscrea, and spend some time with like minded men to explore new possibilities for your future? To book or for further information contact Fr. Iggy McCormack at Telephone no. 086-2777139 ignaid@hotmail.com The Diocese at present has 4 students studying for priesthood. One of them Ger Jones from Killaloe Parish will be ordained to the Diaconate on Easter Monday at the Irish College in Rome by Bishop Willie Walsh. We ask all the people of the Diocese to continue to pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood and religious life.



Thought for the Week

Be kinder than necessary, because everyone you meet is fighting some kind of battle!