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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

SUNDAY 24th JULY 2011

17th Sunday – Year of Matthew
24th July 2011

Last Sunday's Offerings: €2,406

Our Prayers & Sympathy go to:



The family of Shelia Doran, 5 Ballycaseymore Hill who was buried last Monday. To Noreen Regan, 6 Ard na Mara on the death of her brother Jude O'Sullivan who died on holidays in Amsterdam. To John & Liam O'Sullivan, Foyle Park and Corrib

Drive on the death of their sister Bridie Dawson, Kilfinane, Co. Limerick, who died on Tuesday. To Michael Roughan, 8 Tradaree Court on the death of his mother Ann Roughan, Sixmilebridge, who was buried on Saturday.

Months Mind Mass

Sunday next at 10am for Brendan Tierney, Rossbracken.

First Anniversary Mass

Saturday next at 12 noon for Timmy Halpin, Dun an Oir.

Emergency Famine Appeal

This weekend, we have an opportunity to make a contribution to famine relief in Somalia, Kenya and Ethiopia. In the past week, our television screens have shown us the suffering of 13 million people in East Africa. These people are in need of life saving food and water. Many thanks to Parishioners who have already made donations for famine relief during the past week. The emergency second collection at all Masses this weekend will be forwarded to Trocaire. Many thanks in anticipation of your generosity.



Wedding Congratulations

To Stephen Austin and Lynda Aylmer, Dun na Ri, who were married in the Church of Mario Assunta Flavio, Amalfi, Italy, on Tuesday.

PILGRIMAGES

Reek Sunday, Croagh Patrick

Sunday next is the annual Pilgrimage day to climb Croagh Patrick in Co. Mayo. Mass is celebrated hourly on the summit from 7am until 3pm.

Lough Derg

The traditional three day Pilgrimage from Shannon Parish in association with Ennis Parish leaves on Monday 1st August, returning on Wednesday 3rd August. Bookings and details to Ennis Parish Office at 065 6824043.

Medjugorje

Direct from Shannon Airport for one week Saturday 10th September to 17th September direct from Shannon Airport. €669. Spiritual Director Fr. Tom. Details from Frances Sexton at 065 7087200.

Lourdes

Diocesan Autumn Pilgrimage from Sunday 2nd October until Friday 7th October. €650. Booking forms in Parish Office or from either Church.

Lough Derg

You may begin the tradition Three Day Pilgrimage on any day of the week from now until 13th August 2011.

Three Day Youth Pilgrimage: Friday 5th – Sunday 7th August. A reduced rate (on this date only) for youth aged between 16 and 21. €35. (Normal pilgrimage fee €55).

One Day Retreats, Quiet Days, Reflection Day, Family Day Retreat, Father & Son Retreat and Life's Journey Workshops on specific dates from 17th August to 20th September. Booking essential. For full details contact The Lough Derg Office, Pettigo, Co. Donegal. Tel 071 9861518. Email info@loughderg.or www.loughderg.org

Legal Clinic

The next free Legal Advice Clinic will be held this Monday 25th July at the Community Office, Unit 1, Business Centre, Shannon, from 5.15pm-5.45pm. Please attend at 5.15pm to ensure being seen by a solicitor. No appointment necessary.



Painting of SS John & Paul Church

Painting of the interior and exterior of SS John & Paul Church will begin this Monday 25th July. The work should not interfere with Ceremonies or with people visiting the Church during the day to pray. We do apologise for any inconvenience that may occur from time to time during the work. Mass as usual each evening at 7pm and at weekend at the usual times.

Youth 2000 invite you to their Summer festival in Clonmacnois, Co Offaly from 4th – 7th August. This is a lively 4-day Catholic festival for 16-35 year-olds with great music, workshops, prayer, concert, inspiring talks, games, and plenty of time for relaxing and meeting new people. The festival is donation-only with free buses from around the Country, just bring a sleeping bag. To book online and for information on free buses please visit www.youth2000.ie.

The Departures Lounge



I wait in the lounge of departure,
I know not the time of my flight,
I hope it's way off in the future,
but it could be I'm flying tonight.
The flight I await goes to Heaven,
I know that it's lovely up there,
for I've read their fine brochure, the Bible,
and I speak to them often in prayer.
It costs very little to go there,
you take nothing with you at all,
you pay by the way you behave every day,
and you wait for St. Peter to call.
As I wait for the start of my journey,
there's so many things I can see.
like someone in need of a word or a deed,
and I do what's expected of me.
So I wait in the lounge of departure,
never too sure when to fly,
but I hope when I do, there's a chance I meet you,
we can all pay the fare if we try!