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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

Fáilte - Welcome - Witamy - Bienvenue - Willkomen - Benvenuto - Bienvenido - Witajcie - Bemvindo - Welkom - Velkomin - Vitejte - Croeso - Valkommen - Tervetuloa - Ibiana

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 2ND JANUARY 2011

Second Sunday after Christmas

Last Sunday's Offering: €2016

Goradiche Orphanage: €400

FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY

Thursday 6th January 2011

A Holy Day of Obligation

Vigil Mass on Wednesday at 6.30pm in SS John & Paul Church

Masses on Thursday

8.45am - Airport Oratory

9am, 12.15pm - SS John & Paul Church

11am, 7.30pm - Mary Immaculate Church

MASS TIMESS THIS WEEK:

Monday to Friday:

12 noon in Mary Immaculate Church

7pm in SS John & Paul Church

Friday 7th January is the First Friday. There will be an additional Mass at 8am in The Convent Oratory. The sick and housebound will be attended to at home with the sacraments. If you know of any housebound Parishioner who would like to receive the sacraments, please let one of the Priests know during the week.



Our Prayers & Sympathy to go:

Liam Hogan, Ard Caoin Court, Ballycasey, on the death of his mother Josephine Hogan, Galbally, Co. Limerick, who was buried on Thursday.

Months Mind Mass

Saturday at 6.30pm for Teresa McAllen, 134 Finian Park.

Sunday at 12.15pm for Kathleen Smart, Cronan Park.

Adoration Chapel

Re-opens for Adoration only on Tuesday at 10am. No Mass in the Chapel this week.

Shannon Parish Office

Closed this week - re-opening on Tuesday 11th January.

The Alliance of The Two Hearts.

Devotions will take place on Friday 7th January & Saturday 8th in SS John & Paul Church, from 7pm to 3am.

Wedding Congratulations



To Emer Magee, Tullyvarraga Hill and Sean Boyce, Newmarket-on-Fergus, who were married in SS John & Paul Church on Monday. To Daithi O'Connell, Tullyglass Court and Olive Kelly, Newmarket-on-Fergus who were married in St. Conaire's Church, Carrigerry on Tuesday. To Lisa Webb, Fearnog, and Ian Fitzgerald, Cluain Airne, who were married in Mary Immaculate Church on Friday. To Ronan Hehir, Tullyglass Court and Maeve Berry, Westport, who were married in St. Mary's Church, Westport, on New Year's Day.

PARISH STATISTICS

	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Baptisms	122	137	144	124	150	115
Marriages	19	15	19	19	23	11
Deaths	55	44	56	57	54	48

These figures only take account of Baptisms, Marriages and Deaths that have taken place in the Parish. It does not take account of Parishioners who were married or buried outside of the Parish of Shannon.

Of the 51 couples who married from the Parish last year, 40 chose a Church outside of Shannon, 11 were married in our Parish Churches; 3 in Mary Immaculate Church, and 8 in SS John & Paul Church.

Silver Jubilee

This weekend we welcome and congratulate Fr. Bennet Tierney L.C. on the Silver Jubilee of his ordination. Son of Nancy Tierney, 3 Coill Mhara, Fr. Bennet, a member of the Legionaries of Christ, was ordained a priest on Christmas Eve 1985. Over the past 25 years of priesthood he has ministered in Spain, Mexico, Rome, America, Brazil, Ghana, and Germany and is presently based in Austria.

Fr. Bennet will celebrate the 12.15pm Mass in SS John & Paul Church this Sunday. We wish him many more years of service in the vineyard of the Lord. Ad Multos Annos

Shannon CCE/Club na Sionna

Welcome in the New Year with a session of music, song & craic in the Old Bar, Wolfe Tones GAA on Wednesday 5th January at 9.30pm. Music by The Kirbys & Friends. All welcome!

Mass for All Nations

Our annual Mass for the people of All Nations will take place at the 10am Mass on Sunday next 9th January. Please invite neighbours, friends and colleagues from other Countries who have come to live with us in Shannon. Very much a Mass of welcome for everybody!

Blessing of Babies



All babies baptised in our Parish in the past year are invited to a Special Blessing for their first year of life on Sunday 9th January at 3pm in SS John & Paul Church. As these children begin to walk, crawl and teethe, we want to ask God's Blessing on their infant years.

Burren Sub Aqua Club

Opening night Wednesday 5th January at 8pm in The Shamrock Hotel, Lahinch, and try a dive in Lahinch Pool afterwards. More details from Maura Brooks at 086 8180044.

A Prayer for New Year

May God make your year a happy one!

*Not by shielding you from all sorrows and pain,
but by strengthening you to bear it, as it comes.*

*Not by making your path easy,
but by making you strong enough to travel any path,*

*Not by taking hardships from you,
but by taking fear from your heart.*

*Not by granting you unbroken sunshine,
but by keeping your face bright, even in the shadows,*

*Not by making your life always pleasant,
but by showing you when people and their causes*

need you most,

*and by making you anxious to be there to help.
God's love, peace, hope and joy to your for the year ahead!*