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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 – Willkommen – Benvenuto – Bienvenido – Witajcie – Bemvindo – Welkom – Velkomin – Vitejte – Croeso - Valkommen – Tervetuloa – Ibiانا

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 31st January 2010

4th Sunday – Year of Luke
Catholic Schools Week

Last Sunday's Offering: €2,872
Annual Parish subscription: €400
Adoration Chapel Appeal: €500

Haiti Appeal: €20,205

Thank you for your great generosity and a special word of thanks to the pupils and staff of St. Patrick's Comprehensive School for their donation of €600 towards the appeal.

Sympathy

To Virgilio Paz, 47 Tullyglass Court on the death of his sister Marie Lourdes Paz who died in the Philippines. To Mick Tuohy, 1 Boyne Park, on the death of his sister Mary Cullinan, Barefield and late of Newmarket on Fergus, who was buried on Wednesday.

Months Mind Masses

Thursday at 7pm for Terence O'Kane.
Sunday next at 12.15pm for Kathleen Smart, 44 Cronan Park.

Diocesan Needs Appeal

The second Collection at all Masses this weekend is an appeal from Bishop Walsh for support in helping him finance the work of the Diocese at local and National level.

Samaritans – Ennis & Clare Branch – Volunteers needed!

Ennis & Clare Samaritans are having a second open night on

Monday 1st Feb at The Old Ground Hotel, Ennis,

*Do you feel you have what it takes to become a Volunteer?
Are you a good listener, compassionate, open-minded,
non-judgemental and prepared to commit to helping provide round
the clock support for people who may be going through
a difficult time in their lives? Interested?
Come along Monday evening and find out more.*

Shannon Gospel Choir

The local Gospel Choir will participate at the 6.30pm Mass in SS John & Paul Church on Saturday evening next February 6th.

St. Joseph's Young Priests Society

Meeting will be held this Monday 1st Feb after 7pm Mass at SS John & Paul Church.



THIS WEEK...

Monday 1st February – The Feast of St. Bridget, Patroness of Ireland. We thank our Schools who continue the tradition of making St. Bridget's Crosses for this day.

Tuesday 2nd February – Candlemas Day

Feast of the Presentation of Jesus in The Temple, known as Candlemas Day. The blessing of candles for home and Church use takes place at all our Masses on this day.

Wednesday 3rd February – Feast of St. Blaise

The blessing of throats will take place after all Masses this day.

Friday – 4th February – First Friday of February. 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.

Solas - Suicide Support Group will take place on Saturday 6th February from 11.00am. - 12.00pm at CIOC, Connolly House, Unit 7A, Elevation Park, Clonroad, Ennis, (Roundabout opposite turn-off to Tesco). This support group is for family, friends and co-workers whose lives have been touched by suicide, either recently or in the past. It is totally confidential and free of charge. For further information, contact Johanna Treacy at 086 0829907.



Wedding Congratulations

To Sean Cleary, 30 Purcell Park and Evelyn Griffin, Donoughmore, Limerick, who were married in Knockea Church, Ballyneety, on Saturday.

The Alliance of the Two Hearts

Fri 5th February & Sat 6th February at SS John & Paul Church, from 7pm to 3am. First Fri Mass at 7pm. First Sat Mass at 12 midnight.

Shannon Pioneer Total Abstinence Association

Meeting will take place on Tuesday 2nd February at 7.30pm at SS John & Paul Church. All Pioneers most welcome to attend.

Sacramental Preparation



On Sunday next, the children from St. Conaire's, St. Tola's and Gael Scoil will participate at First Holy Communion Preparation Masses at the 10am and 11am Masses.







Mary Immaculate Church

Volunteers are needed to help clean the Church either once a week or a fortnight. Twenty minutes is all that is asked for! If you can help, please contact Mary the Sacristan, or any of the Priests.

Catholic Schools Week January 31st – February 6th

WHAT IS A CATHOLIC SCHOOL?

The Catholic School:

-  Offers quite a distinctive vision of life and corresponding philosophy of education based on the Gospel of Jesus Christ.
-  Strives to create a learning environment where every child is encouraged and enabled to develop to their full and unique potential as human beings, made in the image and likeness of God.
-  Seeks to form pupils who will unselfishly use their gifts for the common good and are committed to work for a more just and caring society.
-  Is a welcoming and inclusive community that is respectful and tolerant of all religious traditions and beliefs.
-  Works in partnership with parents and the Parish community to keep the light of faith received at Baptism burning brightly.
-  Provides opportunities for worship through prayer and the celebration of liturgy and the sacraments.