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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

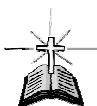
Sunday Masses: 8.45 at Airport Oratory 9am, 11am at Mary Immaculate Church 10am, 12.15pm at SS John & Paul Church

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

SUNDAY 4th December 2011 - YEAR OF MARK

Last Sunday's Offerings: €2639

Goradiche Orphanage: €50



Our Prayers and Sympathy to:

The family of John McCarthy, 11 Tullyvarraga Crescent, whose funeral took place last Monday.

First Anniversary Mass

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

FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Thursday 8th December - A Holyday of Obligation

Mass times

Wednesday at 6.30pm - SS John & Paul Church

Thursday at 8.45am - Airport Oratory

9am & 12.15pm - SS John & Paul Church

11am & 7.30pm - Mary Immaculate Church.

Lectio Divina (The Sacred Reading of Scriptures)

The Advent sessions of Lectio Divina continues in Jubilee Chapel of Mary Imm Church on Tues - 10am to 11am.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul - THANK YOU!

Your generosity is greatly appreciated as a result of the Skycourt Collection last week. Sincere thanks to all!

St. Caimin's C.S presents 'UTV's Schools Stars in Ye'r Eyes'

on Thursday 15th Dec at 7.30pm in St. Caimin's School. €10 per ticket. All proceeds go to the Bone Marrow for Leukaemia Trust. Tickets from the school or at the door on the night. Fun time for all!

Thinking of taking the Pledge for Advent?

Prepare for Christmas and abstain from intoxicating drink until 25th December. Contact any of the Priests for details.

Shannon Pioneer Total Abstinence Council - meeting in SS John & Paul Church Tuesday 6th Dec 7.30pm. New members always welcome!

Readers/Eucharistic Ministers

Please call to the Sacristy to collect new Rosters.



Christmas Penitential Service

The Franciscan Friars will lead our Cluster Christmas Penitential Service in SS John & Paul Church on Wednesday Dec 21st at 7pm.

Milford Hospice Christmas Tree

The official ceremony to mark the illumination of the Milford Hospice Tree will take place at Milford Care Centre on Sunday next 11th Dec at 6pm. Milford Hospice warmly invites all to join them for this special occasion.

Confirmation Preparation Mass

Sunday next at 10am Mass for St. Aidan's School.

Matt Talbot Novena concludes!

The Novena concluded on Tuesday last. A word of thanks to the many people who help make it the success that it is and the value and support it gives and offers the many who are suffering from addictions.

Adoration Chapel

Thursday next 8th December is the Feast of The Immaculate Conception and the 2nd Anniversary of the opening and dedication of the Adoration Chapel in Skycourt. Adoration takes place each day from 10am-9pm Monday to Friday. Would you consider giving one hour to sit and watch with The Lord? Guaranteed to be the best hour of your week! Ask the 200 people who do so already!



Craft Fair - Shannon Library - 1st to 10th December

Knits, jewellery, cards, crochet, art, cakes and many more. Open during normal Library hours.

St. Joseph's Young Priests' Society

Monthly meeting takes place after 7pm Mass on Monday.



The Advent/Jesse/ Giving Tree

Once again, in both Churches this Advent, we will have our Advent/Jesse/Giving Tree. Gifts of non-perishable (in date) food which can be shared with those in need will be very welcome. Thank you!

Boards of Management

All of our Primary Schools welcomed new Management Boards as they began their four year term on Thursday 1st December. Each Board of Management comprises 2 patrons nominees, 2 elected parents, one elected teacher, the Principal and 2 community representatives. The Patron - Bishop Kieran - appoints the Chairperson:

Chairperson St. Senan's - PJ Fitzpatrick

Chairperson St. Conaire's - Martin Moore

Chairperson St. Tola's - Sr. Ena Quinlan

Chairperson St. Aidan's - Criona Horgan

Chairperson Gael Scoil Donncha Rua - Tony McMahon

We thank all Board members for their willingness to serve.

Gordache Gift Tokens

Goradiche Gift Tokens in lieu of Christmas gifts are available for Christmas. All proceeds go towards the Orphanage (our Jubilee 2000 Project). For the past 12 years, volunteers from our Parish have developed links and contacts with the Orphanage. A minimum of €10 is expected for each gift token, available in the Sacristy or from the Parish Office.



Christmas Carol Service

Wednesday 14th December at 7.30pm, the Choirs from the Parish of Shannon, Newmarket-on-Fergus and Sixmilebridge, along with the School Choirs of St. Conaire's & St. Tola's, will gather in the Parish Church, Newmarket-on-Fergus for Christmas carols. Everyone welcome!