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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

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LIVE STREAMING FROM SS JOHN & PAUL CHURCH

## Sunday 21st January 2018 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday – Year B – Year of Mark

Last Sunday's offerings: €2,425



*We extend our Prayers & Sympathy to :*

To the families of: Jo O'Leary, 4 Fearnog, who was buried on Tuesday. Nancy Dowling, 3 Tradaree Court, who died on Wednesday.

### Months Mind Masses

Thursday at 7pm for Brian Collins, Dernish Lawn.  
Saturday at 6.30pm for Jimmy Donovan, Tullyvarraga Crescent.  
Sunday at 9am for Jim Barry, Cill Chais.

### Diocesan Administration Collection

The second Collection at all Masses in the Diocese next weekend is the annual appeal by Bishop Fintan to help him in the administration of the Diocese by supporting marriage preparation, catechetics, administration, & pastoral care in many varied ways.

### Training Session for Readers

Since last weekend, our new Roster for Readers and Eucharistic Ministers comes into operation. On this new Roster, we welcome some new Readers and Eucharistic Ministers and thank them for their generosity in giving of their time to this Ministry. We also thank the very many faithful Parishioners who carry out this Ministry for many years.

On this Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> January, we will have a short training session for all Readers of both Churches (both old and new) in SS John & Paul Church at 7.30pm. Our thanks to Denis Bates for facilitating this session.



**CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK**  
Begins next weekend  
January 28<sup>th</sup>.

More details in next week's Newsletter.



### Dates for First Holy Communion

Saturday April 28th at 11am for St Tola's in Mary Immaculate Church.  
Saturday April 28th at 11am for St. Conaire's and 1.30pm for Gaelscoil Donncha Rua. Both in SS John and Paul Church.  
Saturday May 5<sup>th</sup> at 12 noon for St. Senan's in Mary Immaculate Church.  
Saturday May 19th at 11am for St Aidan's in SS John and Paul Church.

### Confirmation Preparation Masses

Sunday next at 10am for St. Conaire's School and 11am for St. Senan's, St. Tola's, Gael Scoil Donncha Rua & St. John's Schools.

### PILGRIMAGES



#### Lourdes

Bishop Fintan will lead the 62<sup>nd</sup> Diocesan Pilgrimage from the Diocese of Killaloe to Lourdes which celebrates the 160<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the apparitions this year. This annual pilgrimage will fly direct from Shannon Airport on 26<sup>th</sup> June, returning on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> July. The all-inclusive cost is €695 for booking online directly with Joewalstours.ie or €705 for manual bookings.

#### Medugorje

23<sup>rd</sup> May for one week €679 and 12<sup>th</sup> September for one week €709. €50 discount before 1<sup>st</sup> February. €100 deposit required. Contact Jimmy & Kathleen Morris 362657 / 086 3271657

**Shannon Senior Citizens:** Annual dinner dance on Thursday, 25th January in the Oakwood Hotel at 6pm sharp. Tickets from 9/11 Purcell Park, Tel. No. 061-364144

The next Support Group meeting for people affected by Parkinson's Disease takes place at Carrigoran Health & Wellness Centre, Newmarket-on-Fergus at 10am on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> January. Full details from 087 415 8430. All welcome!

**WMOF:** The World Meeting of the Families 2018 will attract thousands of Irish and International pilgrims. Organising it and seeing it through will only be possible with the help of generous volunteers who will put their love and talents to service. Get involved now with this special event and find everything you need to know on [www.worldmeeting2018.ie/en/Get-Involved/Volunteer](http://www.worldmeeting2018.ie/en/Get-Involved/Volunteer)



**The Poor Clares in Galway** are hosting a Cloister day on Saturday, 27th January from 10am to 5pm. The day is designed to help young women between the ages of 21 and 40 to find out more about the Poor Clare way of life with a view to vocation discernment. To book a place contact: Sr. Faustina at [poorclaresgalwayvocations@gmail.com](mailto:poorclaresgalwayvocations@gmail.com)



**Primary School Registration Junior Infants:** Parents who intend sending their children to School this September and have not yet registered with the School of their choice, are requested to do so by the end of January, to ensure a place.

*Three quarter ways into January 2018 ....*



*As we journey through the year, no matter what it holds,  
There will be a light to lead us as each week unfolds.  
Through the wonder of the seasons and the beauty too,  
God will always walk beside us, guiding all we do.  
In the Springtime and the Winter  
As we travel 2018 on our way,  
God will plant new hope within us  
Growing day by day!*

Iris Hesselden