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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: 8.30am Airport Oratory, 9am & 11am at Mary Immaculate Church, 6.30pm (Saturday Vigil) at SS John & Paul Church, 10am & 12.15pm at SS John & Paul Church.

Weekday Masses: 9.15am in Mary Immaculate, 10am at Skycourt Oratory & 12 noon on Saturday in Mary Immaculate Church. 7pm at SS John & Paul (Thurs & Friday)

Priest on call this week (outside of Office Hours) – Fr. Arnie 087 8598710

Sunday 6th October 2019

Twenty Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time.

Day for Life

Last week's Sunday Collection: €2,398



We extend our Prayers & Sympathy:

To Ann Mullaney, Cronan Park & Carrigoran on the death of her sister Mary Kelly, England, recently deceased.
May she rest in God's peace.

We pray for the following whose anniversaries are celebrated around this time:

Tom Hession, Tom Quealy, Maeve O'Neill, Mai O'Shaughnessy, Austin Collins, John Sheedy, Jimmy Kenny, Geraldine Kissane, Joe Collins, John Justice, Liam O'Gorman and Liam's granddaughter baby Sophia Grace.

We acknowledge all those anniversaries which are not listed.

Priests' Autumn Collection

This Weekend October 5th & 6th.

Priests' Autumn Collection will be taken up at all Masses this weekend and we thank you for your kind generosity to the Priests of the Parish. Thanks also to the many envelopes distributors who distribute the envelopes to the houses in the Parish on our behalf. We are very grateful for their help and support. Envelopes also available in our Churches. Mile buiochas!

Next weekend, we look forward to welcoming Fr. Tom Fitzpatrick and Fr. Harry Bohan to Shannon who will be part of the rotation of Sunday Masses in the Tradaree Pastoral area.

Day for Life: The 2019 day for life is being celebrated this Sunday. The theme this year is domestic abuse and copies of the bishops' message are available at entrances to the Church. One in 4 women and one in 6 men experience domestic abuse in their lifetime. Almost 9 out of 10 women murdered in Ireland are killed by a man known to them. It is time to start talking and taking action. Find out more on www.dayforlife.org

Shannon November Novena – Don't forget!

November Novena will take place from Friday 1st to Sunday 10th November. We were blessed with a wonderful Novena last year which included a shop for religious items. We look forward to welcoming the speakers which will be published soon and having our shop in place once again. Save the date as we look forward to journeying together in the month of the Holy Souls.

Canonisation of Blessed John Henry Newman

To mark the canonisation of Blessed John Henry Newman in Rome, Killaloe Diocese will mark the occasion with the launch of a book, written by Bishop Fintan, on the new saint, on Wednesday October 9th at 8pm in the Canon Kennedy room in St Flannan's College. Staged readings on aspects of Newman. Choir from St Flannan's College. Refreshments served. All welcome.

Beginning Experience: Have you been recently lost a spouse/partner and would like help and support in coping? "Beginning Experience", Retreat Centre, Cork takes place Friday Nov 1st to Sunday Nov 3rd. Contact 087 9886480 for full details.

Annual Pioneer Dinner Dance Friday 11th Oct in West County Hotel. Mass celebrated at 8pm by Bishop Fintan, followed by meal/dancing. Tickets €25 from Pat Brosnan at 364453 or Pat Grue 362629.

Congratulations to Derek Clune who won Clare OPC Volunteer of the Year Award during the week at Woodstock Hotel, Ennis. He won the overall award for his contribution to Shannon Tidy Towns. Well done Derek and to very worthy nominees Joe & Pauline. Well deserved!

Shannon Active Retirement Association will meet Wednesday October 9th in The Oakwood Hotel at 11am sharp. New members welcome.

Upcoming important dates in our Pastoral area:

October 22nd - Joint meeting of Tradaree Pastoral area Pastoral Councils.

October 23rd - Ongoing formation for Shannon Pastoral Council.

November 1st - November Novena begins and concludes 10th November.

November 3rd - Cemetery Sunday with prayers in Lemenagh at 2.30pm and Illaunmanagh at 4pm.

Tidy Towns Competition: Results are in!

2019 results were announced this week and to the delight and joy of everybody in our town, Shannon were awarded a huge overall increase of 8 marks. This enormous increase indicates the appreciation of the National judges of all the hard work done during the year by our amazing volunteers. Indeed it was obvious to see the wonderful displays of extra pots, containers, hanging baskets & colourful flower beds enjoyed by not just by all of our Parishioners, but the many visitors who commented on the way our town looked during the Summer. Thank you Tidy Towns, to the fantastic band of volunteers and the clubs and associations who support you. You give us great pride in our town and Parish and you all deserve our appreciation and thanks for a wonderful job very well done!!! Bouquets to you all!