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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. Francis Xavier 089 4494090**



**Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> December 2019**

**First Sunday of Advent**

**Last Sunday's Collection: €2,473**



**We extend our Prayers & Sympathy:**

To the families of Ollie McPadden, Cluain Airne who was buried on Tuesday and Linda O'Connell (nee Keane), Caragh Park, who was buried on Wednesday.

*May their gentle souls rest in God's peace.*

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

Baby Michael Cummins, Eddie Galvin, Bill Jones, Owen & Margaret Rankin, Bruce Savage, Theresa Regan Bell, Eileen & Leo Malone, Monica Cavanagh recently deceased, Pauric, Tony & Nellie Sweeney.

*We acknowledge all those anniversaries at this time which are not listed.*

**Months Mind Mass**

Next Sunday at 12.15pm for Albert Dowie.

**First Anniversary Masses**

Next Sunday at 9am for Joseph Collins.  
Next Sunday at 11am for Helen O'Loughlin.

**Lectio Divina (Sacred Reading of Scriptures)** continues each Wednesday of Advent in The Jubilee Chapel of Mary Immaculate Church at 10am following the Rosary.



**The Advent/Jesse/Giving Tree**

In both Churches this Advent, we will have our trees. Non-perishable (in date) food which can be shared with those in need is very welcome.

**St. Senan's National School Christmas Market 4.30pm-9pm Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> Dec. Don't miss it!**

**Masses for Monday December 9<sup>th</sup> in Tradaree Pastoral area.**

*Feast of the Immaculate Conception*

**Shannon Parish:** 9am, 11am in Mary Immaculate. 12.15pm and 7pm Monday evening in SS John & Paul Church.

**Newmarket on Fergus Parish:** 9am Carrigerry, 11am Newmarket on Fergus, 6pm Wells Church.

**Sixmilebridge Parish**

10am Kilmurry, 11am & 7pm Sixmilebridge.

*Normal Adoration will take place on that day. Please note there is no Mass on Sunday evening.*

**Join us for Mercy on The Mall**

Friday December 6<sup>th</sup> at Skycourt from 1 to 5pm, Priests available for Confession, continuing a great tradition of offering Confessions, a chat or a blessing as you go about your Christmas shopping!

**Goradiche Christmas Gift Tokens** in lieu of Christmas gifts now available. All proceeds go to the Orphanage (our Jubilee 2000 Project). A minimum of €10 is requested for each card. Available in the Sacristy or Parish Office.



**Wedding Congratulations** to Jessica Phelan & Eric Organ & to Jessica Simmonds & Evan Mallowney who were recently married. We wish both couples happiness in their married lives.

**Carrigoran Health & Wellness Centre:** Sunday December 1<sup>st</sup> Fundraising event. Choirs, mini indoor market etc. Admission €10, doors open 4.30pm.

**Samaritans Ennis** are currently recruiting new listening volunteers. For details, please log on to volunteer.samaritans.org, phone/text 085 1763491 or email samaritansrecruitmentennis@gmail.com.

*2020 missals available for the modest price of €7 which contain all the Readings for the coming year from Church Sacristies and Parish office.*



**Goradiche 2020:** Next year, we will celebrate the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the close relationship we enjoy with Goradiche, Belarus. Throughout those years, parishioners have visited the families and brought with them the generosity of our parishioners. **Our parishioners have been very generous in their support and this weekend at all Masses we are offering you the opportunity to support the Goradiche Project as we approach 2020, by means of a retiring collection at the door as you leave Mass. The second collection this weekend will NOT take place.** Parishioners who have their tax envelope may mark 'Goradiche' on their envelope. We look forward to hearing the personal testimonies of those who have visited Goradiche at all Masses this weekend.

**Shannon Active Retirement:** Christmas Lunch Wednesday Dec 11th. Tickets: 086 1553603. HSE Seminar in "Keeping Healthy" at The Oakwood, Tues Dec 3<sup>rd</sup> at 10.30am. Free tea/coffee/scones. All welcome!

*Session of music and song in Wolfe Tones GAA on Wednesday 4th December at 9.30pm. All welcome!*

We welcome the **Shannon Gospel Choir** who will take part in the 6.30pm Mass next Saturday evening.

*For the next few Sundays leading up to Christmas, we are going to continue to have a small shop presence in SS John & Paul Church to offer parishioners the opportunity to purchase some religious items, Christmas Mass bouquets and Christmas card boxes. We will also sell tickets for a hamper that was gifted to us and all proceeds will go towards sending a young person to Lourdes.*

**Do visit our life-sized Christmas Crib in front of the Adoration Chapel in this season of Advent in preparation for Christmas.**

