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

**Weekday Masses:** 9.15am at Mary Immaculate 10am at Skycourt Adoration Chapel 7pm at SS John & Paul (Thurs/Friday) **Saturday** 12 noon at Mary Immaculate, 6.30pm at SS John & Paul

You can find shannon parish on facebook ... and on Twitter too! Live streaming from SS John & Paul Church

**Priest on call this week (outside of Office Hours) – Fr. Francis 089 4494090**

## Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2020

1ú Márta 2020

First Sunday of Lent

Last Sunday's collection: €1,914

Parish Faith Formation Appeal: €1,580

Diocesan Administration (January 26<sup>th</sup>): €2,075



### *We extend our Prayers & Sympathy:*

To the family of Andrea Jordan (nee Cripps), Lios Darog, who was buried last Saturday. To Teddy Long, Carrig Donn, on the death of his father Joe Long, Birr, Co. Offaly.

*May they rest in the gentle peace of Christ.*

### **We pray for the following whose anniversaries are celebrated this week:**

Mick Dennehy, Genevive O'Sullivan-Harmon, Charlie Connolly, Frank Kenny, George Quinn, Billy Barkley, Baby Kaylah Marie Murphy, Michael & Mary Phelan, Frank Carew.

### **First Anniversary Mass**

Next Thursday at 7pm for Nicole Scullion.

Next Sunday at 11am for Joan Lynch.

**Women's World Day of Prayer:** Everyone (men and women) are invited to Women's World Day of Prayer 2020, on Sunday 8th March at 3pm in The Jubilee Chapel of Mary Immaculate Church. The theme is "Rise – Take Your Mat and Walk". All welcome to this Ecumenical Service.

**Baptismal Parents Meeting** will take place next Thursday evening after the evening Mass at 7.30pm in SS John & Paul Church. We look forward to meeting the families of those preparing for Baptism in the coming weeks.

### **Temporary Pledge for Lent in association with the Pioneers.**

During the season of Lent, many people take on different tasks of giving up something, mostly for spiritual reasons. People give up things like cigarettes, alcohol, sweets or use their social media less. For others, they take on daily Mass or pray more. We also have the tradition of the Trocaire campaign where we help those in need. One of the more important aspects of Lent which has died away in recent years is taking on a temporary pledge for Lent. Many people choose this during the season to stay away from drink. So why not take the short-term pledge? You are welcome to contact the Parish Office if you feel you would like to take on this commitment for the season.



**If you would like a free spiritual app to journey with during Lent, why not check out Pray-as-you-go.org from the Jesuits. It's a lovely way to pray a little more during Lent!**

**ARISE – Young Adult 18+ National Event** takes place in Knock Shrine on March 7th. Inspirational speakers, music, celebration, fun, and a great chance to meet with other young adults. 10am to 4.30pm on March 7th, Cost €10. For more details, contact Joanne O' Brien, Director of Youth Ministry, Killaloe Diocese. 0858749207 or email: [jobrien@killaloe-diocese.ie](mailto:jobrien@killaloe-diocese.ie)

**Club na Sionna session of music and song** in Wolfe Tones GAA on Wednesday 4th March. All welcome.

**Our Religious items shop which was a popular feature during the November Novena, will be open for the weekend Masses during Lent in SS John & Paul Church. It will also offer Easter Mass Bouquets. Do come and have a look!**

### **Confirmation Programme**

A short programme to accompany the boys and girls preparing for Confirmation will begin this Wednesday from 7-8pm in St. Senan's School for all Schools. The programme will run for two nights on Wednesday March 4<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> and we thank the Parish leaders who will accompany the boys and girls in reflection and conversation. Thank you to St. Senan's School and Principal Sally O'Neill for hosting the gathering.



### **LENT 2020 IN SHANNON Lenten Masses**

#### **Three Daily Masses**

9.15am – Mary Immaculate Church

10am – Adoration Chapel

7pm – SS John & Paul Church

There are 3 daily Masses for the weekdays of Lent and we encourage you to avail of them as part of your Lenten commitment. We especially encourage you to avail of the evening Mass from Monday to Friday at 7pm.

#### **Lectio Divina**

#### **(Reading the Words of Scripture)**

Lectio Divina will take place on the Wednesdays during Lent in Mary Immaculate Church at 10am.

#### **Stations of the Cross**

Every Friday of Lent after 7pm Mass.

#### **TRÓCAIRE - Overseas development Agency of the Catholic Church in Ireland:**

*Your kind donation to Trócaire this Lent assists all the children and families worldwide who are in dire need of support and resources. Please do what you can to help those in need with your Trocaire box.*

