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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

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

Sunday 22nd March 2020

Dé Domhnach 22ú Márta

Fourth Sunday of Lent (Laetare Sunday)

Mother's Day



We extend our Prayers & Sympathy:

To the family of Christy McLoughney, Tullyvarraga Crescent who was buried on Thursday. To the family of Don Sweeney, Gleann na Smol, whose cremation took place on Thursday.

May they both rest in the gentle peace of Christ

Just to re-iterate arrangements in our Parish in the light of coronavirus:

All daily and Sunday Masses are suspended until March 29th.

The Priests of the Parish will offer private Masses for your intentions on the webcam and Parish Radio from SS John & Paul Church with no congregation present. There will be no celebrations in Mary Immaculate Church. It is also hoped that these Masses will be broadcast live on our Facebook post.

Funerals are permitted, but only with only with family members and very close relatives present to the maximum of 100 people.

The Adoration Chapel will remain open from 9am to 6pm from Monday to Friday for personal prayer but there will be no Eucharistic Adoration or Mass up to March 29th.

Both our Churches will remain open also for people to visit for prayer, light a candle, reflection or indeed to pray the stations of the Cross and the Rosary.

Baptisms: Parents who have booked Baptisms in the next few weeks may go ahead or reschedule if you wish. Please contact the Parish Office if you wish to reschedule. We will not be taking further bookings for baptisms until the present situation has cleared up.

First Communions and Confirmations Presently both Sacraments will be celebrated on the days that they are scheduled. If we are instructed otherwise, we will reschedule the dates, but I want to reassure families and our children that we will be celebrating their special day in due course. Fr. Arnie.

All anniversaries that are affected by the suspension will be rescheduled at a future date.

It is so difficult for families and Grandparents right now in the present climate who are, for safety reasons, keeping a distance from their grandchildren. We are thinking of you and praying with you in this difficult time. Keep in contact by various means and re-assure your grandchild that you are well and safe. Encourage them to say simple little prayers and that all will be well.

The Parish Office will remain open as normal for general Parish business and we are here to support and help you in any way we can. Phone, email or drop in!

MOTHER'S DAY PRAYER



To the Mothers Who Are...

To the Mothers who are struggling, to those filled with great joy...

To the Mothers who are remembering children who have died, and pregnancies that miscarried...

To the Mothers who decided other parents were the best choice for their babies...

To the Mothers who adopted those children and loved them greatly...

To those experiencing frustration or desperation in infertility...

To those who knew they never wanted children and the ways they have contributed to our shared world...

To those who mothered colleagues' children, neighbourhood children and anyone who needed it...

To those remembering Mothers who are no longer with us...

Today is a day to honour the unyielding love and care for others we call 'Motherhood'.

Happy Mother's Day!



Let's be kind and good to each other. Let's remain calm! Our Church's and Adoration Chapel will remain open as normal. I invite you to visit and say a

pray for each other and our nation, or to light a candle.

May God bless you, our parish and our country at this time. Fr. Arnie.