



**Sunday Masses:**

**SS John & Paul (Webcam):** Friday 7pm;  
Saturday 6:30 pm; Sunday 10 am and 12:15 pm  
**Mary Immaculate Church** - Saturday 12 noon;  
Sunday 9 am and 11 am

**Weekday Masses Streamed on Webcam:**

10 am Mon-Fri Mary Immaculate  
7 pm SS John & Paul Church (Webcam)

**SHANNON PARISH NEWSLETTER**

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**E a s t e r S u n d a y**

**Sympathies** To the family of Anne Drysdale, to the family of Liam Maher, to the family of Loren Sasman, to the family of Mary Moran, to the family of Joan Gibbons. May they rise with Christ this Easter Day.

**Month's Mind Mass** for Raymond Smyth will be celebrated next Saturday April 23<sup>rd</sup> at 12noon in Mary Immaculate Church

**First Anniversary Masses**

Easter Monday at 10am in Mary Immaculate Church for Eddie Jones. Next Saturday April 23<sup>rd</sup> at 12noon for Sadie Smyth.

**Anniversaries:**

Michael Morrissey

**Support Your Parish**

As well as the usual way to donate to your parish you can also use our new method of using the QR code (here) which is also placed at the doors and shrines of our Church's, Adoration Chapel Notice Board, and Parish Office. It's another easy way for you to support your parish using your smart phone.



**Parish Office Hours for Easter**

Parish Office will re-open on Easter Tuesday April 19<sup>th</sup> for normal office hours from 10am-1pm and 2-5pm

**Eucharistic Adoration for Easter**

Adoration Chapel will re-open Easter Tuesday April 19<sup>th</sup>. There is NO Eucharistic Adoration in SS John and Paul Church on Easter Sunday.

**Easter Water**

You are invited to take home your Easter water after all Easter Masses. Easter water is a reminder of our Baptism and new life with the Risen Lord. We have 2,500 bottles of water which will be blessed at our Easter Vigils and available for you to take home.

**Last Sundays Collection:**

Last Sunday's collection €2040. Ukraine Appeal €8515. We thank you for your great support on a weekly basis, and also to parishioners who have donated sanctuary lamps for various intentions. If you like to donate a box, the donation is €25 and the box lasts 4 months. Donations can be left in sacristy or office.

**Priests' Easter Collection 2022**

At all Easter Masses the Priests' Easter Collection will take place. This is one of four collections in the year in support of your priests. We thank you

**Ukrainian Easter**

On Sunday April 24<sup>th</sup> at 10am in SS John and Paul Church we will gather with our Ukrainian friends to celebrate Easter. All are welcome.

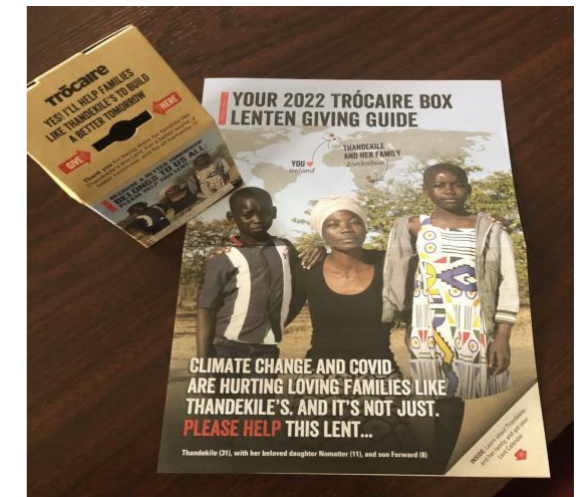


**First Communion and Confirmation 2022**

After the Easter break we are looking forward to celebrating First Communion and Confirmation with our young people. On the weekend of April 29<sup>th</sup>/30<sup>th</sup> we will celebrate St. Aidan's Confirmation, Gaelscoil First Communion and Confirmation in a joint ceremony, and St Tola's First Communion. We wish all our families every blessing.



**Annual Appeal for Trocaire will be taken up at both ceremonies at 3pm and 6pm on Good Friday. Please return your Trocaire box to the Church as soon as possible.**



**Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes**

**June 28<sup>th</sup>-July 3<sup>rd</sup>**

**Departing Shannon Airport. Cost €739-€759 depending on your hotel.**

**Further details from Joe Walsh Tours or Fr Tom in Ennis 087-2349816**

**DIOCESE OF KILLALOE**

**PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 2022**  
Under the leadership of the Bishop of Killaloe Most Reverend Fintan Monahan

**28 JUNE & 2 OCTOBER 2022 | 5 NIGHTS**

**PILGRIMAGE HIGHLIGHTS**  
Mass at the Grotto  
Anointing of the Sick  
Torchlight Procession  
Blessed Sacrament Procession  
International Mass

**INCLUDING**  
- Fully escorted pilgrimage  
- Led by Spiritual Director  
- Return flights Shannon to Lourdes  
- 5 nights in Hotel La Solitude or Agena  
- Breakfast, lunch and dinner each day  
- 20kg check-in bag per person  
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**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON**

**I have risen, and I am with you still, alleluia.  
You have laid your hand upon me, alleluia.  
Too wonderful for me, this knowledge, alleluia,  
alleluia.**

**PENITENTIAL ACT**

You raise the dead to life in the Spirit:  
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**  
You bring pardon and peace to the sinner:  
Christ have mercy. **Christ have mercy.**  
You bring light to those in darkness:  
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**  
May almighty God have mercy on us,  
forgive us our sins,  
and bring us to everlasting life. **Amen.**

**THE GLORIA**

**Glory to God in the highest,  
and on earth peace to people of good will.  
We praise you, we bless you,  
we adore you, we glorify you,  
we give you thanks for your great glory,  
Lord God, heavenly King,  
O God, almighty Father.  
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,  
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father  
you take away the sins of the world:  
have mercy on us;  
you take away the sins of the world,  
receive our prayer; you are seated  
at the right hand of the Father  
have mercy on us;  
For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

**OPENING PRAYER**

O God, who on this day, through your Only Begotten Son, have conquered death and unlocked for us the path to eternity, grant, we pray, that we who keep the solemnity of the Lord's Resurrection may, through the renewal brought by your Spirit, rise up in the light of life.

**LITURGY OF THE WORD**

**FIRST READING Acts 10:34. 37-43**

**A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.**  
Peter addressed Cornelius and his household: 'You must have heard about the recent happenings in Judaea; about Jesus of Nazareth and how he began in Galilee, after John had been preaching baptism. God had anointed him with the Holy Spirit and with power, and because God was with him, Jesus went about doing good and curing all who had fallen into the power of the devil. Now I, and those with me, can witness to everything he did throughout the countryside of Judaea and in Jerusalem itself: and also to the fact that they killed him by hanging him on a tree, yet three days afterwards God raised him to life and allowed him to be seen, not by the whole people but only by certain witnesses God had chosen beforehand. Now we are those witnesses - we have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from

the dead - and he has ordered us to proclaim this to his people and to tell them that God has appointed him to judge everyone, alive or dead. It is to him that all the prophets bear this witness: that all who believe in Jesus will have their sins forgiven through his name.'

**The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.**

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps.117:1-2.16-17.22-23**

**R. This day was made by the Lord;  
we rejoice and are glad.**

1. Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, for his love has no end.  
Let the sons of Israel say:  
'His love has no end.' (R)
2. The Lord's right hand has triumphed; his right hand raised me up.  
I shall not die, I shall live and recount his deeds. (R)
3. The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone.  
This is the work of the Lord, a marvel in our eyes. (R)

**SECOND READING Colossians 3:1-4**

**A reading from the letter of St. Paul's to the Colossians**  
Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand. Let your thoughts be on heavenly things, not on the things that are on the earth, because you have died, and now the life you have is hidden with Christ in God. But when Christ is revealed - and he is your life - you too will be revealed in all your glory with him.

**The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

**Alleluia, alleluia! Christ, our passover has been sacrificed; let us celebrate the feast then, in the Lord. Alleluia!**

**GOSPEL John 20: 1-9**

**A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John.**  
It was very early on the first day of the week and still dark, when Mary of Magdala came to the tomb. She saw that the stone had been moved away from the tomb and came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved. 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb' she said, 'and we don't know where they have put him.'

So Peter set out with the other disciple to go to the tomb. They ran together, but the other disciple, running faster than Peter, reached the tomb first; he bent down and saw the linen cloths lying on the ground, but did not go in. Simon Peter who was following now came up, went right into the tomb, saw the linen cloths on the ground, and also the cloth that had been over his head; this was not with the linen cloths but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple who had reached the tomb first also went in; he saw and he believed. Till this moment they had failed to understand the teaching of scripture, that he must rise from the dead.

**The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

**RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL PROMISES**

*Dear brothers and sisters, through the Paschal Mystery we have been buried with Christ in Baptism, so that we may walk with him in newness of life. And so, now that our Lenten observance is concluded, let us renew the promises of Holy Baptism, by which we once renounced Satan and his works and promised to serve God in the holy Catholic Church. And so I ask you:*  
P. Do you renounce Satan? **C. I do.**  
P. And all his works? **C. I do.**  
P. And all his empty show? **C. I do.**  
P. Do you believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth? **C. I do.**  
P. Do you believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, Our Lord, who was born of the Virgin Mary, suffered death and was buried, rose again from the dead and is seated at the right hand of the Father? **C.**

**I do.**  
P. Do you believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting? **C. I do.**  
P. And may almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us new birth by water and the Holy Spirit and bestowed on us forgiveness of our sins, keep us by his grace, in Christ Jesus our Lord, for eternal life. Amen.

*The priest may sprinkle the people with the blessed water, while all sing:*

**I saw water flowing from the Temple, from its right-hand side, alleluia; and all to whom this water came were saved and shall say: Alleluia, alleluia.**

**LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST**

Pray brothers and sisters, .....  
**May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.**

**PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS**

Exultant with paschal gladness, O Lord, we offer the sacrifice by which your Church is wondrously reborn and nourished. Through Christ our Lord.

**AFTER THE CONSECRATION**

*The mystery of faith.*  
**Save us, Saviour of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free.**

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**focus on sunday**

**A day of hope: of flowers and candles, new colour and new light. A day of smiles and of friendship, new joy and new companionship in Christ. A day of hope for those who suffer and who are sad. A day which promises the victory of God's love over sin and death.**

*He is Risen*



Fake news was what they thought it was. News of a risen body after a tortuous death that everyone knew about. The apostles refused to believe the women. It would take time for the truth to sink in, and then their world was never the same again.

For this they needed to remember what Jesus had said, that he would be put to death and rise on the third day. He said it so often that we might think they would have remembered and believed. Faith takes time. Faith is built on memory of the past and Presence of Jesus in the now.

The Easter vigil and Mass is a grace-filled joyful occasion, marked with colour, music, ritual and prayer. We look on it as the highlight of the Church's year. It is remembered at every mass and at funerals and baptism with the lighting of the Easter candle.

The resurrection of Jesus grounds our faith: it is what brings us through the worst of life, and makes even better the joy of life. His risen body is not limited by earthly space and because of this Easter mystery we can always sense and know the presence of Jesus Christ in our lives.

Happy Easter!

'Easter in us', O Lord. (GM Hopkins).

*Donal Neary SJ (Editor, Sacred Heart Messenger)*

## **Holy Week Schedule 2022**

Palm Sunday – Normal Sunday Masses with Blessing of Palm Crosses

Holy Week Daily Masses – 10am and 7pm (Monday and Tuesday)

Spy Wednesday – 10am Mass, NO Evening Mass (Chrism Mass in the Cathedral at 7.30pm)

### **Holy Thursday**

No Morning Mass, Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7pm in SS John and Paul Church

Hour of Prayer at 9pm in Mary Immaculate Church

### **Good Friday**

Stations of the Cross at 12noon in Mary Immaculate Church

Celebration of the Passion at 3pm in Mary Immaculate Church

Celebration of the Passion at 6pm in SS John and Paul Church

(Annual Good Friday Appeal to support Trocaire will be taken up at the Good Friday Ceremonies)

### **Holy Saturday**

Blessing of Polish Food at 12noon in SS John and Paul Church

Confessions from 12-1pm in Both Church's

### **Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday Masses**

Easter Vigil at 7.30pm in SS John and Paul Church

Easter Vigil at 8.30pm in Mary Immaculate Church

Dawn Mass at 6am in Ilaunmanagh Cemetery

Easter Sunday Masses at 9am and 11am in Mary Immaculate Church, and

10am and 12.15pm in SS John and Paul Church

*(Priest's Easter Collection will be taken up at all Easter Masses)*

### **Easter Week Masses**

10am Monday to Friday in Mary Immaculate Church and 7pm Thursday in Mary Immaculate Church.

Sunday Masses continue on Friday at 7pm through to 12.15pm on Sunday

**(Confessions are available after all Ceremonies during Holy Week)**

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

It's with joy we write to you for Holy Week inviting you to join us to celebrate the events leading to the Passion, Death, and Resurrection of Jesus. For the first time following a two-year pause, we are delighted to be able to worship in public again. Worshipping in public and in our sacred places is central to what we are as believers – gathered around the Lord's table where we bring the story of our life, and in turn bring the story of Christ into our lives. A word of encouragement to you if you feel nervous about returning to Church, but we want to reassure you of our safety protocols, in addition to variety of ceremonies we have scheduled. We encourage you to join us with family and friends, and a special invite to our children and young people in particular.

Easter is the celebration of the Resurrection of the Jesus Christ. By means of his death of Good Friday we are given the key to the door to eternal life. Death could never and will never have the final say in our existence, because Christ has come to give us life, so we too can bring life to another. Life is always lived out in how we treat each other, showing respect, welcoming the stranger, supporting another. It's a lived gospel!

We arrive at Holy Week and Easter in a world that is not in a good place. War and evil is very much present as we as witnessed in the past while. Did we ever imagine we would be re-visiting the events of previous conflicts. War is a defeat for humanity because fundamentally it's man's inhumanity to man. We have a noble tradition of welcome into our parish since it's foundation in 1967. That welcome is now extended to our Ukrainian families and children and we thank you for embracing them into our community.

This Holy Week we take this opportunity to wish you continued blessings and good health. Do enjoy your Easter with family and friends. Do join us for our celebrations and we look forward to your company. May the Risen Lord bless us with life which comes from the Easter story so we can bring the same life of Christ to those we meet.

Go mbeannaí Dia duit an Cháisc seo! From Arnie, James, Francis, and Brendan

