



**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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**M a y 8<sup>th</sup> 2022**  
**V o c a t i o n s S u n d a y**

**Sympathies** To the Walsh family on the death of Jerry (Der) Walsh, Tullyvarraga Crescent, who will be cremated this weekend.

**Month's Mind Mass** for Loren Sasman will be celebrated this Saturday May 7th at 6.30pm in SS John and Paul Church. For Anne Drysdale this Sunday May 8<sup>th</sup> at 12.15pm in SS John and Paul Church. For Mary Moran on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> of May at 10am in Mary Immaculate Church. For Baby Caroline Precious McDonagh next Friday 13<sup>th</sup> of May at 3.00pm in SS John and Paul Church.

**First Anniversary Masses** for Christina Hickey will be celebrated this Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> of May at 6.30pm in SS John and Paul Church. For Mark Clifford this Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> of May 12.15pm in SS John and Paul Church.

**Anniversaries:** Tony Goggin, Margaret and James Morris, May and Jimmy Ryan, John Kerry Burns, Bea O'Shea, Helen Griffin, Kathleen Corbett and Terence and Margaret Madigan

**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 to support your parish using your smart phone.



**Easter Water**

We have some remaining bottles of Easter water available. You are invited to collect your Easter water from our Church's. Easter water is a reminder of our Baptism and new life with the Risen Lord.

**Priests' Easter Collection 2022**

Thank you for supporting the Priest's Easter Collection. If you were away and didn't get the opportunity to support, you're welcome to do so.

**First Holy Communion and Confirmations 2022**

We congratulate the boys and girls of St. Conaire's and St. Aidan's Schools who received their First Holy Communion and to St. Tola's School who were Confirmed this weekend. Next weekend we will celebrate the Sacrament of First Communion for St. Senan's, and Confirmation for St. Conaire's. We wish all our pupils and families every blessing and we thank our schools for the great work in preparing for the sacraments.

**Red Cross Church Gate Collection**

The Irish Red Cross would like to thank the people of the Parish of Shannon for their kindness and generosity at our recent

collection. The sum of €875.00 was raised in support of the People of Co. Clare.

**Trocaire 2022**

We are asking everyone who has a Trocaire Box to return it to the Church's. This is our final call, and we thank you for your generosity!



**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 and Fr Tom, Ennis

**Last Weekend's Collection**

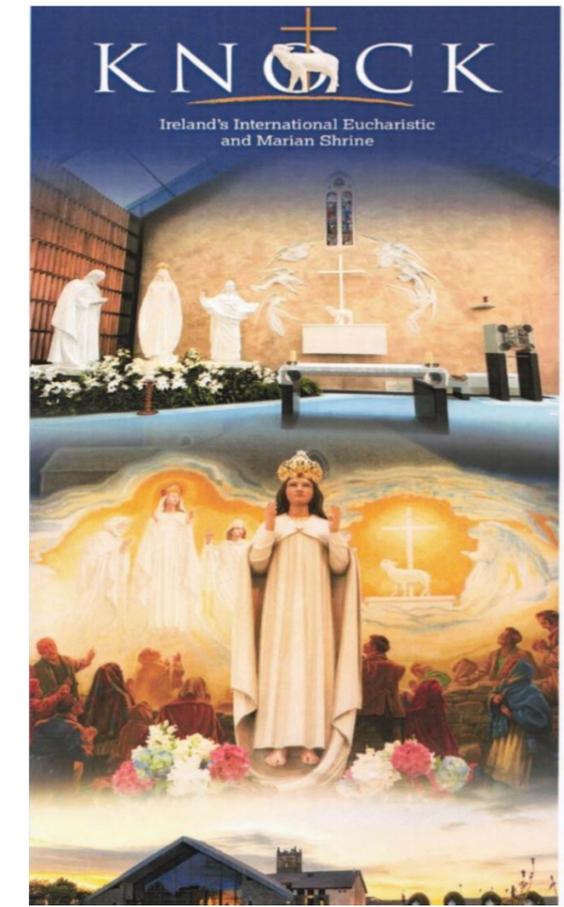
€3565 Parish collection and €800 for the Senior Citizens Club in honour of Tess Barry R.I.P. Parish donations included a backlog of envelopes that were accumulated over the past couple of weeks.

**Safeguarding Month of May**

During our safeguarding month the Diocese. We must keep in our prayers those effected by war. Using the words of Khalil Gibran 'Safeguarding the rights of others is the most noble and beautiful end of a human being.'

**Rosary Rally**

Rosary Rally will take place outside Shannon Adoration Chapel on Saturday May 14<sup>th</sup> at 4 pm - 5 pm. All are welcome.



Killaloe Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine will take place on Sunday May 22<sup>nd</sup>. All are welcome to join with the Diocese on this yearly event in honour of Our Lady. Ceremonies begin at 2.30pm. "O May we crown thee with blossoms today, Queen of the Angels and Queen of the May"

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON**

**The merciful love of the Lord fills the earth;  
by the word of the Lord the heavens were made,  
alleluia.**

**PENITENTIAL ACT**

Lord Jesus, you came to gather the nations into the peace of God's kingdom:

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

You come in word and sacrament

to strengthen us in holiness:

Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**

You will come in glory with salvation

for your people:

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

May almighty God have mercy on us.....

**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**

Almighty ever-living God,

lead us to a share in the joys of heaven,

so that the humble flock may reach

where the brave Shepherd has gone

before. Who lives and reigns with you.....

**LITURGY OF THE WORD****FIRST READING Acts 13:14 . 43-52**

**A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.**

Paul and Barnabas carried on from Perga till they reached Antioch in Pisidia. Here they went to synagogue on the sabbath and took their seats. When the meeting broke up, many Jews and devout converts joined Paul and Barnabas, and in their talks with them Paul and Barnabas urged them to remain faithful to the grace God had given them.

The next sabbath almost the whole town assembled to hear the word of God. When they saw the crowds, the Jews, prompted by jealousy, used blasphemies and contradicted everything Paul said. Then Paul and Barnabas spoke out boldly, 'We had to proclaim the word of God to you first, but since you have rejected it, since you do not think yourselves worthy of eternal life, we must turn to the pagans.

For this is what the Lord commanded us to do when

he said:

I have made you a light for the nations, so that my salvation may reach the ends of the earth.'

It made the pagans very happy to hear this and they thanked the Lord for his message; all who were destined for eternal life became believers. Thus the word of the Lord spread through the whole countryside.

But the Jews worked upon some of the devout women of the upper classes and the leading men of the city and persuaded them to turn against Paul and Barnabas and expel them from their territory. So they shook the dust from their feet in defiance and went off to Iconium; but the disciples were filled with joy and the Holy Spirit.

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

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps. 99:1-3.5**

**R. We are his people, the sheep of his flock.**

1. Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth.

Serve the Lord with gladness.

Come before him, singing for joy. **[R]**

2. Know that he, the Lord, is God.

He made us, we belong to him,

we are his people, the sheep of his flock. **[R]**

3. Indeed, how good is the Lord

eternal his merciful love.

He is faithful from age to age. **[R]**

**SECOND READING Apocalypse 7:9. 14-17**

**A reading from the book of the Apocalypse**

I, John, saw a huge number, impossible to count, of people from every nation, race, tribe and language; they were standing in front of the throne and in front of the Lamb, dressed in white robes and holding palms in their hands. One of the elders said to me, 'These are the people who have been through the great persecution, and because they have washed their robes white again in the blood of the Lamb, they now stand in front of God's throne and serve him day and night in his sanctuary; and the One who sits on the throne will spread his tent over them. They will never hunger or thirst again; neither the sun nor scorching wind will ever plague them because the Lamb who is at the throne will be their shepherd and will lead them to springs of living water; and God will wipe away all tears from their eyes.'

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

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

**Alleluia, alleluia! I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; I know my own sheep and my own know me. Alleluia!**

**GOSPEL John 10: 27 - 30**

**A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.**

Jesus said:

'The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice;

I know them and they follow me.

I give them eternal life;

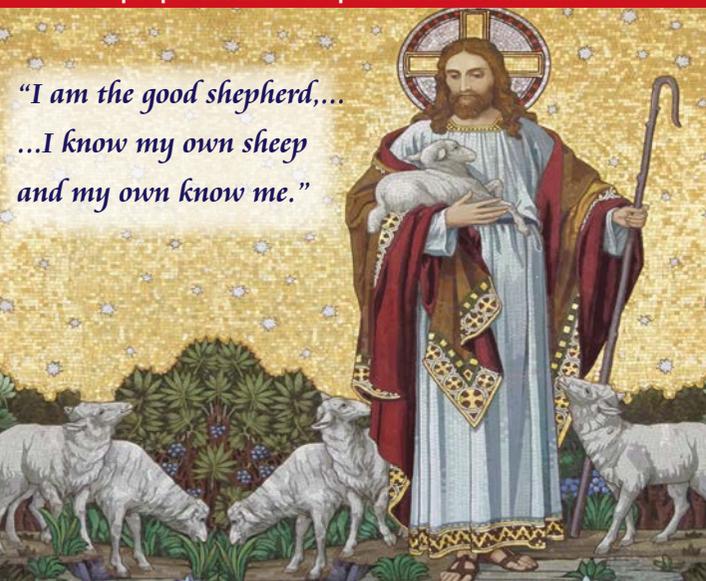
they will never be lost

and no one will ever steal them from me.

**focus on sunday**

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (Day of Prayer for Vocations) 8th May 2022

Today is Good Shepherd Sunday, a day of special prayer for vocations to the work of service in the Church. Jesus died and rose for people of every race and nation. His command to his Church was to go out and preach to all people, we pray for people of faith to respond to that command.



*"I am the good shepherd,...*

*...I know my own sheep*

*and my own know me."*



The risen Lord was busy! His post-resurrection 40 days were spent consoling and bringing others his joy after his passion and death. He also resumed his calling of his disciples into a new following of

him. Vocation Sunday each year is the calling of the risen Lord to each of us in our lives.

The call is a gift of the guidance of the good shepherd of each of us in life. It is the call that reaches the deeper space in our souls and bodies where love dwells, a gift given by God, not just for myself, but for others.

The call of Jesus is lived out in loving as a spouse, parent, single man or woman, priest, religious. It is lived out in the ordinary ways we try to spread the gospel in our workplace, our parish, school, service of others in any way, and in our families. It is lived out in our prayer.

The ordinary is the place of call and of holiness. The shepherd guides the sheep in the ordinary tasks of the day. He calls each of us to be busy with him and to follow him through reading the Gospels and in pondering them deeply in order to understand what his call actually means for each of us: all is done in love.

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

**LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST****PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS**

Grant, we pray, O Lord, that we may always find delight in these paschal mysteries, so that the renewal constantly at work within us may be the cause of our unending joy.

Through Christ our Lord.

**AFTER THE CONSECRATION**

*The mystery of faith.*

**We proclaim your Death, O Lord,**

**and profess your Resurrection**

**until you come again.**