



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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Tuesday to Friday: 10.00am - 1.00pm
(lunch 1.00pm-2.00pm) 2.00pm - 5.00pm

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Christmas Day, Merry Christmas everyone!

Our Prayers and Sympathies to: Tom Lowry on the death of Donal Lowry. To Kay Glody on the death of Maureen Byrne. To the Johnston family on the death of Aoife. To the Shiel family on the death of Joe and to the Tyler family on the death of David. May the Risen Lord welcome them to Heaven.

Month's Mind Masses: For Kay Dalgarno will be held on Tuesday 27th of December at 12 noon. For Carmel McDade will be held on Friday 30th of December at 7pm. For Terry Delaney will take place on Friday 30th of December at 7pm. For Patrick Costello will be celebrated Saturday 31st at 12 noon. For Catherine Dixon will be held on Saturday 31st of December at 6.30pm. For Colm Hannon will be held on Saturday 6th of January at 11am.

First Anniversary Mass: For John Carrig will take place on January 1st at 11am.

Anniversaries: Noel Dunne, George, Patsy and Tom O'Shaughnessy, Nora and Denis Cahill, Colm, Bridie and Peter Forde, Mortimer and Kathleen Duggan, Mary and Luke Murray, Maria Murray, William and Margaret Flynn and Christy Higgins.

Last Sunday's Collection

Last Sunday's collection was €2,682. The Priest's Christmas collection will be taken up at all Masses on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day.

Parish Office Hours

The Parish Office will be closed for Christmas from 2pm Friday 23rd of December to Tuesday 3rd of January.

PARISH MASSES UP TO 6TH OF JANUARY

From December 26th to January 5th daily Mass (Monday to Friday) will be in Mary Immaculate Church at 12 noon. Please note there is no evening Mass on Thursday December 29th.

For New Year's Weekend normal Sunday Masses for the New Year begins at 7pm on Friday December 30th

Masses for Feast of the Epiphany January 6th, 2023

Wednesday January 5th and Thursday Jan 6th at 7pm on both evenings in SS John and Paul Church.
Thursday January 6th at 11am in Mary Immaculate Church, and 1pm in the Adoration Chapel, Skycourt.

All funeral Masses during Christmas will be celebrated at 12 noon in Mary Immaculate Church and 11am in SS John and Paul Church.

Christmas Message from the Priests of Our Parish



Glory to God in the Highest and on Earth Peace to All Men'

We welcome Christmas and the Birth of Jesus Christ with joy and gladness. God becomes human like you and me in a humble stable in Bethlehem. His arrival to simple surroundings continues to capture our minds and hearts in ways that cannot be put into words. He is now one like us because God so loved the world he sent his Son Jesus Christ, so each of us could have life and have it in abundance. Our message to you this Christmas is a simple one. We invite you to enter into the very spirit of what Christmas means – the Birth

of the Saviour. With that in mind let us continue to be safe, to act responsibly, to look out for one another. This Christmas we think of those who are living alone, in hospital or are living abroad. It's been a difficult year and few years for those who have lost loved ones. May they rest in peace, and you feel the gentle presence of the Child of Bethlehem. We think of those who are working for Christmas and the emergency services.

Thank you to everyone who plays no small part in making the vibrant community and Parish of Shannon we enjoy today. To our stewards, cleaners, music leaders, choirs, readers, eucharistic ministers, sacristans, volunteers, Church maintenance teams, envelope distributors, pastoral and finance councils, bereavement support, SVP, Gorodische, Schools, Apostolic Society, Office Staff, friends of the parish, and so many more who are supportive in so many ways.

Thank you for the simple acts of kindness you show to us, and the words of encouragement as we go about our ministry. We wish you a blessed Christmas and a New Year of health and fulfillment. All Masses during the Christmas Season will be offered for you and your intentions, especially family and friends who have died.

Finally, we invite you and your family to visit our Church's and say a prayer at the crib.

*God bless you this Christmas and for 2023 from
Brendan, James and Arnie.*



December 25th 2022, Christmas Day

FIRST READING

Reading from the Book of Isaiah

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; upon those who dwelt in the land of gloom a light has shone. You have brought them abundant joy and great rejoicing, as they rejoice before you as at the harvest, as people make merry when dividing spoils. For the yoke that burdened them, the pole on their shoulder, and the rod of their taskmaster you have smashed, as on the day of Midian. For every boot that tramped in battle, every cloak rolled in blood, will be burned as fuel for flames. For a child is born to us, a son is given us; upon his shoulder dominion rests. They name him Wonder-Counsellor, God-Hero, Father-Forever, Prince of Peace. His dominion is vast and forever peaceful, from David's throne, and over his kingdom, which he confirms and sustains by judgement and justice, both now and forever. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will do this!

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

Responsorial Psalm Ps 96: 1-2, 2-3, 11-12, 13.

R. Today is born our Saviour, Christ the Lord.

Sing to the LORD a new song;
Sing to the LORD, all you lands.
Sing to the LORD; bless his name.

R. Today is born our Saviour, Christ the Lord.

Announce his salvation, day after day.
Tell his glory among the nations;
among all the people, his wonderful deeds.

R. Today is born our Saviour, Christ the Lord.

Let the heavens be glad and the earth rejoice;
let the sea and what fills it resound;
let the plains be joyful and all this is in them!
Then shall the trees of the forest exult.

R. Today is born our Saviour, Christ the Lord.

They shall exult before the LORD, for he comes;
for he comes to rule the earth.
He shall rule the world with justice
and the peoples with his constancy.

R. Today is born our Saviour, Christ the Lord.

SECOND READING

Reading from Paul's Letter to Titus

Beloved:

The Grace of God has appeared, saving all and training us to reject godless ways and worldly desires and to live temperately, justly, and devoutly in this age, as we await the blessed hope, the appearance of the glory of our great God and saviour Jesus Christ, who gave himself for us to deliver us from all the lawlessness and to cleanse for himself a people as his own, eager to do what is good.

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

I proclaim to you good news of great joy:
Today a Saviour is born for us, Christ the lord.

R. Alleluia, alleluia

GOSPEL Luke 2:1-14

In those days a decree went out from Caesar Augustus that the whole world should be enrolled. This was the first enrollment, when Quirinius was governor of Syria. So all went to be enrolled, each to his own town. And Joseph too went up from Galilee from the town of Nazareth to Judea, to the city of David that is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and family of David, to be enrolled with Mary, his betrothed, who was with child. While they were there, the time came for her to have her child, and she gave birth to her firstborn son. She wrapped him in swaddling clothes and laid him in a manger because there was no room for them in the inn. Now there were shepherds in that region living in the fields and keeping the night watch over their flock. The angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were struck with great fear. The Angel said to them, "Do not be afraid; for behold, I proclaim to you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. For today in the city of David a saviour has been born for you who is Christ and Lord. And this will be a sign for you: you will find an infant wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger". And suddenly there was a multitude of the heavenly host with the angel praising God and saying: "Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace to those on whom his favour rests"

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

