



Sunday Masses (Webcam):

SS John & Paul Church : Saturday 6:30 pm.

Sunday 12 noon.

Mary Immaculate Church : Sunday 10:30 am

Daily Masses (Webcam):

Mary Immaculate Church : Tuesday -Friday 10 am

Saturday: 11 am

SS John & Paul Church : Friday 7 pm

SHANNON PARISH NEWSLETTER

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Radio 105.6 FM for Mass from SS John and Paul

Webcam: <https://www.shannonparish.ie/web-cam/>



April 13th, 2025 - Palm Sunday

Priest on duty this week: Fr. Michael Geraghty Co-PP

Our Prayers and Sympathies to: The Carew family on the death of John Carew, Coill Mhara. May he rest in eternal peace.

Months Mind Mass for: James (Rocky) O'Brien will take place Sunday, April 20th at 12 noon in SS John and Paul Church.

First Anniversary Mass for: Patrick Keville will be held on April 20th at 10.30am in Mary Immaculate Church.

Anniversaries: Joe Buckley, Jim Byrne, Pat Glody, Dave Mannering, Michael Morrissey, Michael O'Donovan, deceased members of the Cully family, and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Matt Talbot Novena

The Annual Matt Talbot Novena will conclude Tuesday, April 15th in Tulla Church with Mass and Benediction at 7pm. The celebrant for the final evening will be Fr. Martin Blake, a native of Doonbeg. Fr. Blake will lead you into the spirit of the Sacred Triduum of Easter, helping you to prepare your hearts for the most solemn days of the Christian calendar. As part of the evening's Novena, there will be a special blessing of car and house keys — a symbolic gesture inviting God's protection and guidance in your daily lives.

Divine Mercy, Sunday April 27th

Programme of events will be in the newsletter next weekend. The Novena of the Divine Mercy begins on Good Friday and finishes on April 27th.

Shannon Archaeological & Historical Society

On Wednesday, April 16th at 8pm in the Oakwood Hotel Michael Talty, Executive Librarian at Clare County Library will be discussing Milling in County Clare and some new discoveries. The talk will be free to SAHS members, non-members - €5.00.

Priests' Easter Collection



The Priests' Easter Collection will be taken up at all Easter Masses beginning with the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday night. We thank you for your great support. Envelopes are being distributed and will be available in both Churches. You can also donate through our Parish website

Last Sunday's Collection and Second Collection

Last Sunday's collection €2,285. As ever, thank you for your support and great generosity. There will be a second collection this weekend in support of the Trocaire Lenten Appeal.

Easter Holy Water



Bottles of Easter Holy Water will be available in both our Churches to take home after being blessed at the Easter Vigil Mass. Our sincere thanks to all who generously filled the bottles for us.

Parish Garda Vetting

For those who recently submitted Garda Vetting forms please check your email inbox or spam folder for the email invitation that was sent this week to complete your application.

Shannon Community Network

The next Shannon Community Network Meeting is on Wednesday, April 16th at 7pm in Hope Café (tea and coffee from 6:30pm). Make sure to drop in to have a catch up and see what's coming up this year!

A TIME FOR REFLECTION BEFORE HOLY WEEK

St. Bernard of Clairvaux offered a homily about the significance of Palm Sunday and the account of Christ's entry into Jerusalem:

"How different the cries, 'Away with him, away with him, crucify him,' and then, 'Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, hosanna, in the highest!' How different the cries that now are calling him 'King of Israel' and then in a few days' time will be saying, 'We have no king but Caesar!' What a contrast between the green branches and the cross, between the flowers and the thorns! Before they were offering their own clothes for him to walk upon, and so soon afterwards they are stripping him of his, and casting lots upon them."

Holy Week and Easter Week Schedule 2025



Palm Sunday Masses

Masses at the usual time:

SS John and Paul Church, Saturday at 6.30pm and Sunday 12 noon

Mary Immaculate Church, Sunday at 10.30 am

The Long Gospel will be proclaimed at all Masses

Holy Week, Monday – Wednesday 14th, 15th and 16th of April

Daily Mass - Mary Immaculate Church at 10am

Chrism Mass – Spy Wednesday, 16th of April

St. Brendan's Church, Birr, County Offaly at 7.30pm

Sacred Triduum

Holy Thursday:

10am – Morning Prayer (Mary Immaculate Church)

7pm – Mass of the Lord's Supper (SS John and Paul Church) followed by the time of adoration of the Blessed Sacrament to conclude with Night Prayer and Benediction at 9pm

Good Friday:

10am – Morning Prayer (Mary Immaculate Church)

3pm – Celebration of the Lord's Passion (Mary Immaculate Church)

7pm – Stations of the Cross (SS John and Paul Church)

Trocaire collection will be taken up during these ceremonies.

Holy Saturday:

10am – Morning Prayer (Mary Immaculate Church)

11am – Blessing of the Polish Community Food (Mary Immaculate Church)

8.30pm – Easter Vigil (Mary Immaculate Church)

Easter Sunday Masses

Mass times for Easter Sunday are as follows:

6am - Dawn Mass in Illaunmanagh Cemetery (*Weather Permitting*).

10.30am - Mary Immaculate Church.

9am and 12 noon - SS John and Paul Church

Easter Week Timetable – Monday, April 21st - Friday, April 25th

Easter Monday Mass Times:

10am – Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion in Mary Immaculate Church

No evening Mass in SS John and Paul Church

Easter Tuesday to Friday Mass Times:

10am – Mary Immaculate Church

No evening Mass on Friday in SS John and Paul Church

The Adoration Chapel

The Adoration Chapel will be closed at 6pm, on Spy Wednesday and will re-open on Easter Tuesday.

Confessions

Confessions are available after all Holy week ceremonies and will also be held on Holy Saturday after the Blessing of the Food in Mary Immaculate Church until 1pm.

Reconciliation Service for Easter is on Tuesday, 15th of April at 7pm in SS John and Paul Church

Parish Office

The office will be closed on Good Friday at 1pm and will reopen on Wednesday, April 23rd at 10am.