

Tradaree Pastoral Area Newsletter

Pentecost Sunday - May 24th 2026

Parishes of Newmarket on Fergus, Shannon & Sixmilebridge

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Tradaree Pastoral Area Mass Schedule

Newmarket on Fergus Parish

Newmarket Church: Tue - Fri @ 9.30am. Sat @ 6pm .

Carrigerry Church: Sun @ 9am. **Wells Church** Sun @ 10.30am

Shannon Parish

Mary Immaculate : Mon - Communion Liturgy @ 10am.

Tue - Fri @ 10am. Sat @ 11am. Sun @ 10.30am

Ss. John & Paul Church: Mon & Fri @ 7pm. Sat @ 6.30pm.

Sun @ 12 noon.

Sixmilebridge

Sixmilebridge Church: Mon, Wed to Fri @ 9.30am.

Tue - Communion Liturgy @ 9.30am. Sat @ 7.30pm.

Sun @ 12 noon. **Kilmurry Church :** Sun @ 9am

Tradaree Parish Offices

Newmarket-on-Fergus - Mary 061-368127

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Open Mon - Thur 10am to 2.30pm

Parish Offices

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Open Tue - Fri 10am to 1pm & 2pm to 5pm



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Open Tue - Fri 10am to 12 noon

Newsletter Deadline: Please note that the deadline for items to be included in the newsletter is Wednesday

Killaloe and Ferns Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine



Killaloe and Ferns Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine, takes place on Sunday July 5th. This annual pilgrimage offers a sacred opportunity for our entire diocesan family to come together in prayer, reflection, and community. Whether you seek personal renewal, wish to pray for loved ones, or simply want to experience the deep peace of Ireland's National Marian and Eucharistic Shrine, your presence will greatly enrich our pilgrimage .

Schedule of Ceremonies: Outdoor Stations of the Cross at 2pm.

Anointing of the sick in Knock Basilica at 2.30pm.

Concelebrated Mass in Knock Basilica followed by Eucharistic Blessing and Outdoor Rosary (weather permitting) at 3pm.

Highlights of the pilgrimage include: Visiting the Apparition Chapel, Viewing the Apparition Mosaic and Visiting Knock Museum (Admission is free). For Bus information, call Brigdale Coaches on 086 8034092 or email info@brigdalecoaches.com.

Grow Mental Health - Friendly Community based peer support groups for anyone experiencing mental health issues through 12 Step Program of connection, hope, identity by empowering people to nurture their positive wellbeing by supporting personal growth. Upcoming support group meetings: Maria Assumpta Hall, Monday May 25th, 7.30pm to 9.30pm. Tuesday May 26th, 2pm to 4pm. Contact Celia 086-1526966 or celiabrett@grow.ie.

The Irish Church Music Association (ICMA) is holding its annual Summer School in Maynooth from Tuesday June 30th - Thursday July 2nd. The summer school is geared towards anyone involved in liturgical music at parish level or in schools. The theme this year, "We Are Wonderfully Made," reminds us that each of us is created in the image and likeness of God. Participants can choose to attend the full course or a single day. Further information and online/postal booking are available at icmamusic.ie/icma-summer-school-2026/ .

HSE Mid-West Community Healthcare are running the 'Living Well' programme which is a free of charge group self-management programme for people with long term health conditions or their carers. The programme, which is ran in a friendly and non-intrusive manner, addresses topics such as physical activity, healthy eating, difficult emotions, low mood, depression, fatigue, sleep, pain, stress, and general wellbeing. It will commence at Ennis Primary Care Centre on Tuesday, June 9th at 10.30am and continues for 6 weeks. Call Philip at 087 1799396 to register or for more information.

What is PENTECOST?



PENTECOST comes from the Greek word "Pentecoste" meaning 50th day.

Pentecost Sunday is one of the most prominent feast days in the Christian calendar. It is often referred to as the "BIRTHDAY OF THE CHURCH".

It marks the day when the HOLY SPIRIT descended upon the Apostles, who had been living in fear for fifty days following the resurrection of Jesus Christ on Easter Sunday.

On Pentecost, the HOLY SPIRIT came down visibly on the Apostles. He gave them the power to speak in strange tongues to the crowds that came to Jerusalem for that Feast. He also transformed them, from selfish and timid men into giants of courage and faith.

Mass Intentions



Newmarket-on-Fergus

Sat 23rd May: 6pm: Newmarket: Johnny Freeman (M.M.). John and Bridie Freeman, Bríd Conheady, Paddy Reynolds, Mairead Slattery.

Sun 24th May: 10.30am: Wells: Jimmy and Madge Melody, Mary Melody.

Sat 30th May: 6pm: Newmarket: Siún Fleming (1st A). Maxine and Dermot Halpin. Mary O'Flanagan. Tony Hegarty. Michael O'Neill.

Recent Deaths: Pray for the repose of the souls of Monica Feryn, mother of Mike, Avondale. May she rest in peace.

Sixmilebridge

Sat. 23rd May 7.30 p.m. Geraldine and Maeve Frost, Terry Kearney, Frank and Ann McAuley, Louise O'Halloran, The Quinn Family, John and Dawn Roughan.

Sun. 24th May 9am: Kilmurray: Collins Family, Timmy and Debbie O'Riordan

Sun. 24th May 12 Noon: Michael O'Grady (MM), Eileen Broe, Sean Murphy.

Sun. 30th May 7.30pm: Michael, Phyllis and Baby Michael O'Flynn.

Sun. 31st May 12 Noon: Paschal Lenihan, Lucy Egan.

Shannon

Sat. 23rd May 11am M.I.: John Madigan.

Sat. 23rd May 6.30pm SS J&P : Michael Curley, Helen Griffin, Eamon Leahy, Michael McDonnell, Tom O'Brien.

Sun. 24th May 10.30am M.I.: William Buckley (MM), Michael Downes, John and Julia McCarthy and deceased family members, Mary O'Shea.

Sun. 24th May 12 noon SS J&P: Seamus McEvoy (MM).

Mon. 25th May 7pm SS J&P : Kathleen Logan

Sat. 30th May 11am M.I.: Barbara Kerr (1st A), Patrick Andrew Gannon, Irene Jones

Sat. 30th May 6.30pm SS J&P : Kathleen McKee.

Sun. 31st May 12 noon SS J&P: Thomas Buddy Bolger.

Also Remembering: Patrick Cantillon and Karl Richter.

We extend our prayers and sympathies to the friends and families of: Chris Burke, Fergus Drive, Shannon. May he rest in eternal peace.

Parish Notes

Newmarket-on-Fergus

Sacrament of Confirmation: Congratulations to the girls and boys of the parish who received the Sacrament of Confirmation this Friday 22nd May.

Church Collections: We wish to thank you for your generosity to our parish collection. Last weekend's collection was: €1,337.12. Many thanks also for your contribution to this year's Lenten Trocaire collection which amounted to €4,803.61.

Go raibh míle maith agat arís to those who attended the clean-up indoors & outdoors in Our Lady of the Rosary church last Tuesday evening. Thanks to the Obair lads who strimmed in the priests' cemetery beforehand.

Sixmilebridge

Eucharistic Ministers next week Team C

Sixmilebridge G.A.A. Lotto: 12 22 24 27 **Jackpot:** €20,000

Graveyard Masses. Fr. Damien will celebrate Mass at 7pm in our Parish Graveyards on **Tuesday 2nd of June in Feenagh Graveyard. Wednesday 3rd of June in Kilmurry Graveyard. Tuesday 9th of June in Ballysheen Graveyard.**

Next Tea/Coffee/Chat Morning will take place next Thursday 28th May in the G.P. Room after 9.30am Mass. All are welcome

Congratulations! to Clare U20 Hurling Team and especially our locals, Mark and Matthew on their success in the Munster Final last week. We wish them well in the upcoming All Ireland Final at the end of May. **Well Done!**

Shannon

Last Sunday's collection was €1,746. As always, we thank you for your continued support and great generosity. There will be a second collection in support of the Killaloe Lourdes Invalid Fund at all Masses this weekend.

Rosary for the Month of May will be prayed every evening from Monday to Friday at 6.30pm at the statue of Our Lady outside SS John and Paul Church. All are welcome.

The Annual Blessing of Expectant Mothers will take place in the Jubilee Chapel, in Mary Immaculate Church on Wednesday, May 27th at 7pm. **All are welcome.**

Exam Mass on Monday May 25th: Mass at 7pm in SS John and Paul Church is being offered for Students doing exams this year. You are all welcome to join us in this time of prayer.

Hearty congratulations and blessings to the pupils from St. Aidan's School who received their Sacraments this weekend. Thank you to all the parents and school community who helped make this a wonderful and memorable day for the children.



Clare Branch of the Irish Kidney Association

Annual Church Gate Collection will take place in both Sixmilebridge and Newmarket on Fergus parishes at all masses next weekend 30th & 31st May. Your generosity is very much appreciated.