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Parish Newsletter



Church of St. John the Baptist, Knock

St. Anne's Church, Shanvaghera

NEWSLETTER SUNDAY 21 MARCH 2021. FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

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Mass Intentions for the Week

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| Saturday 20 March: | 7.30pm | Mae and Dom Byrne, Cloonterriff. Anniv. |
| Sunday 21 March: | 12noon | Mary McDonnell, Cloonahulty. 1st Anniv. |
| | 7.30pm | Josie Cunnane, Esker. Month's Mind. |
| Monday 22 March: | 7.30pm | John Flatley, Carramore. Anniv. |
| Wednesday 24 March: | 12noon | Henry Byrne, Drum. |
| | 7.30pm | Tom and Ann Forde, Cloonfaughna. Anniv. |
| Thursday 25 March: | 7.30pm | Joe and Mary Cunnane, Cloonahulty. Anniv. |
| Friday 26 March: | 12noon | Margaret Marshall, Coogue North. Anniv. |
| | 7.30pm | Kayleigh Regan. |
| Saturday 27 March: | 12noon | Bernie Gunnigan and Seamus Salmon. Anniv. |
| | 7.30pm | John Costello, Barnagurry. Anniv. |
| Shanvaghera: | | |
| Sunday 21 March: | 10.00am | Loretta Carney, Shanvaghera. Month's Mind. |



Our Lenten and Easter course, 'He Is Risen' by **Bishop Robert Barron** continues this Wednesday at 8.30pm online. If you

would like to join us for this free course, please email knockparishcouncil@gmail.com Please note, this course is only available for parishioners from the Knock area.

Saints celebrating their Feast Days during the coming week

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| Tuesday 23 March: | St Turibius on Montgrovejo. |
| Wednesday 24 March: | St. Macartan, St. Oscar Romero. |
| Friday 25 March | Annunciation of the Lord. |

Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus,
I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you.

St. Alphonsus de Liguori

Prayers for the deceased

Please pray for the repose of the soul of
Tom Devaney,
Lecarrow, who died during the week.

Hello Everyone!

I want to thank all of you who sent in good wishes regarding the elevation of the Shrine to international status by Pope Francis. It is wonderful news for the Shrine and parish of Knock. I want to thank our own Archbishop, Michael Neary, for all his work in this regard and for his initiative in seeking the status from Rome. By the time you read this you will have seen Pope Francis' message to us all and I wish to thank him for taking time out of an extremely hectic schedule to do so. It's a pity that we could not have come together in celebration but there will be other occasions.

Holy Week will be soon upon us and again this year I invite you to take time to join us online for each of the days leading up to Easter. All our ceremonies will be online at www.knockshrine.ie times can be found below. The ceremonies on Good Friday and the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday night will be broadcast live on RTE as well as on our own website and facebook page. In order to make it more meaningful and to be more involved please try the following:

For *Palm Sunday* please have your palm ready and holy water to bless it at the same time we do so at Mass. Have your children help.

For *Good Friday* have a cross at hand for veneration at the same time we do it at the ceremony.

For the *Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday night* and for *Easter Sunday* have a candle and holy water ready and keep the candle lighting for the Mass, we will renew our baptismal promises together.

It would be a very good thing to come together as a family for these ceremonies especially if you have children that will make their 1st Communion and Confirmation later in the year.

Thank you for preparing

Keep well

Fr Richard

Easter Ceremonies – Online at www.knockshrine.ie

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| Palm Sunday - Sunday, March 28 | 12 noon & 7.30pm (with Rosary at 7pm) |
| Monday – Tuesday - 29th & 30th March | Mass at 12 noon & 7.30pm (with Rosary at 7pm) |
| Wednesday - 31st March | Mass at 12 noon & 7.30pm A Penitential Service will take place at 7pm |
| Holy Thursday - 1st April | 10.00am: Morning Prayer 7.30pm: Mass of the Lord's Supper |
| Good Friday - 2nd April | 10.00am : Morning Prayer 12.00pm: Stations of the Cross 3.00pm: The Passion of Our Lord Broadcast Live on RTÉ TV & Radio and on www.knockshrine.ie/watch-live 7.30pm: Stations of the Cross |
| Holy Saturday - 3rd April | 10.00am: Morning Prayer 10.30am: Blessing of Bread for the Polish community. Easter Vigil Mass (Time to be confirmed) Broadcast Live on RTÉ TV & Radio and on www.knockshrine.ie/watch-live |
| Easter Sunday - 4th April | Easter Sunday Mass 12.00 noon & 7.30pm (with Rosary at 7pm) |

Exploring the Word of God through Prayer - Scripture Reflections

A series of online scripture reflections at 8pm each Tuesday night at www.knockshrine.ie/watch-live/ Knock Shrine will show a series of online night prayer with reflections on scripture delivered by students from St Louis Community School Kiltimagh. To watch, log onto www.knockshrine.ie/watch-live/ at 8pm each Tuesday evening.

'Living Christian Faith' - Lenten Conversations

Join Fr Eamonn Conway and guests online this Thursday evening at 8.30pm. The online discussions will run each week of Lent. To watch, simply log on to www.knockshrine.ie/watch-live/