



Church of St. John the Baptist, Knock

# KNOCK Parish Newsletter



St. Anne's Church, Shanvaghara

NEWSLETTER 30 SEPTEMBER 2018. 26TH SUNDAY OF YEAR B.

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### SUNDAYS AND HOLY DAYS

Masses: 8.00am 9.00am, 10.30am, 12noon, 3.00pm, 7.30pm.

(Eve of Sundays and Holy days, 7.30pm)

Shanvaghara: Sundays: Mass at 10.00am

### WEEKDAYS: MONDAY - SATURDAY

Masses: 9.00am, 11.00am, 12noon, 3.00pm, 7.30pm

## Mass Intentions for the Week

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<b>Monday 1 October.:</b>	7.30pm	Willie Forde, Cloonfaughna.
<b>Tuesday 2 October:</b>	11.00am 7.30 p.m.	Murray Family. Anniv. Patrick and Bridget McLoughlin, Adrigoole.
<b>Wednesday 3 Oct.:</b>	7.30pm	Kathleen Waldron and deceased members of the Waldron Family, Coogue.
<b>Thursday 4 October.:</b>	7.30pm	Thanksgiving Mass for Papal Visit.
<b>Friday 5 October.:</b>	12noon 3.00pm 7.30pm	Michael and Nora Biesty, Adrigoole. Holy Souls. Joe, Hannah and Bill McLoughlin, Carramore. Anniv.
<b>Saturday 6 Oct.:</b>	12noon	Kathleen and Michael McLoughlin, Coogue North.
<b>Shanvaghara:</b>		
<b>Sunday 30 Sept.:</b>	10.00am	Tony and Bridie Carney, Adrigoole.
<b>Sunday 7 October:</b>	10.00am	John Jennings, Coogue North. Anniv.

## You are invited

I would like to invite all parishioners to an evening of celebration in thanksgiving for the visit of Pope Francis on **Thursday next 4 October commencing with Mass at 7.30pm** followed by refreshments with music and song in St. John's Rest and Care Centre.

Fr. Richard.

### Adoration of Blessed Sacrament

will take place on **Monday to Friday** in the **Apparition Chapel** from **7.00pm to 9.00pm**. Group Three this week.

**Friday next** is the First Friday of the month.

### Book Launch

New book "The Little Flower, St. Therese of Lisieux: The Irish Connection". by No. 1 bestselling author Colm Keane. Colm and his wife Una O'Hagan will be in the Bookshop on this **Sunday 30 September between 11.00am and 6.00pm** for the book signing.

### The Five First Saturdays Devotion

continues at **11.00am in the Parish Church on Saturday 6 October** commencing with Rosary, meditations on the Rosary and concluding with Holy Mass, enrolment in the brown scapular and confessions. All are welcome to attend to benefit from Our Lady's Heavenly promises.

Dear Parishioner,

The term of office of the current **Pastoral Council has come to an end (2014-2018)** and a new Council is needed to care for and meet the needs of the parish **for the next four years (2018-2022)**. I wish to thank the last Council for their exceptional work and commitment, they certainly paved the way in being the first Council we had in the parish.

Our Country, as you know, has faced and is facing enormous change. Our faith commitment has been rocked by scandal within the Church and the challenge of passing on the faith to successive generations. As a parish we are not immune to the difficulties ahead (even after a Papal Visit!). A Pastoral Council simply seeks to meet the current needs of and care for our parish community in these difficult times. We need people who are "in touch" with parish life, who are willing to try new things and work as a team.

This week nomination forms will go out to your homes and can be picked up at Masses. I would ask you to **nominate 2 people, one male, one female and one of the two to be under 40 years of age**. Information will be on the form when to return it etc., Can I ask you now to take this time to think in advance of the people you would like to nominate to the Pastoral Council.

Many thanks for all your support.

Fr. Richard.

## The Knock Museum Autumn Lecture Programme

concludes on **Saturday 6 October with a talk entitled "Collecting and preserving family history and folklore"** by Dr. Críostóir Mac Carthaigh, National Folklore Collection, UCD. Talk takes place in Knock House Hotel from **11.00 -1.00pm** and booking is advisable on tel. 094 93 75034 or email: museum@knockshrine.ie

## Remembering the Apparition Witnesses

**Monday 1 October marks the anniversary of the death of Catherine Murray**, second youngest witness to the Apparition, who died on 1 October 1884. Catherine was daughter of William and Eliza Murray from Lissaniska, Bekan – her mother, Eliza, was one of the Byrne's from Knock. On the evening of the Apparition Catherine was staying in Knock with her grandmother, Mrs. Margaret Byrne, and she witnessed the Apparition together with her aunts Margaret and Mary, her uncle Dominick and her grandmother. Catherine passed away on 1 October 1884 aged just 14 years and cause of death registered on her death certificate was Tonsillitis. Catherine is buried in Bekan cemetery and will be remembered at **9.00am Mass in Knock Parish Church on the day**.

## Feast of the Guardian Angel

evening of Prayer on **Tuesday 2 October commencing at 9.00pm** with rosary/talk and Adoration of Blessed Sacrament concluding with mass at 11.00pm. Conducted by Fr. Barry Horan.

## Station Masses

**Saturday 3 November 11.00am**

**Carramore North**

Paddy Joe and Ann O'Brien.

## Pilgrimages for the week

**Saturday 6 October:**

A Day in Honour of Our Lady Pilgrimage.

**Sunday 7 October:**

Killala Diocesan Pilgrimage.

## Aghamore GAA

are having a full members meeting **Friday 5 October at 8.30pm in The Clubhouse**.

All Welcome.

## Eucharistic Ministers for October

Sat. 7.30pm Joob Slager, Marcella Slager  
Patricia Egan.

Sun. 9.00am Grainne Freyne.

10.30am Claire Brady, Sr. Helen Coughlan.

12noon Sr. Catherine McLoughlin,

Elsie Tully.

## Blessing of Family Pets

Since the election of Pope Francis we have all become more aware of the beauty of all of God's creation. And this year again, on **Saturday October 6 at 11.00am**, there will be a blessing ceremony for all family pets (small animals) on the Shrine Grounds. It will take place on the green area outside the Family Centre and for those who are not able to bring their pets along they can bring a picture and mount it on the display board. Further information from Family Centre 094-9375320.

## Bereavement Support Group

Life after a bereavement can feel empty and lonely. Sometimes spending time, talking, praying and sharing with others who know the experience can be helpful. A Bereavement Support Group meets at the Family Centre each **Wednesday 11.00 -1.00pm**. Anyone is welcome to drop in any week. Further information from Monica Morley at the Centre on 094-9375320.

## Blood Donation Clinic

in The Park Hotel Kiltimagh **Wednesday 3 October 5.00pm to 8.30pm**

## Icon Painting Workshop Knock

**October 8 to 13 2018**. Alexian Brothers Knock  
theodoreicons@gmail.com