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Parish Newsletter



Church of St. John the Baptist, Knock

St. Anne's Church, Shanvaghera

NEWSLETTER SUNDAY 8 DECEMBER, 2019. SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT.

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SUNDAYS AND HOLY DAYS

Masses: 9.00am, 10.30am, 12noon, 3.00pm
(Eve of Sundays and Holydays, 7.30pm)
Shanvaghera: Sundays: Mass at 10.00am

WEEKDAYS: MONDAY - SATURDAY

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

Mass Intentions for the Week

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Saturday 7 Dec.:	7.30pm	Mary Murtagh, Eden. Month's Mind.
Monday 9 Dec.:	12noon 3.00pm 7.30pm.	Walter Keane, Carramore. Anniv. John Flemming, Cloonterriff. Anniv. Jim and Teresa Healy, Derry.
Tuesday 10 Dec.:	12noon 3.00pm 7.30pm	All deceased Daughters of Charity. John Joe and Julia Byrne and sons Dominick, Henry and Eamonn. Gerry Murphy, Carramore. 20th Anniv.
Wednesday 11 Dec.	3.00pm 7.30pm	Archdeacon Cavanagh. Enda Morley, Cloonfaughna. 1st Anniv.
Thursday 12 Dec.:	12noon 3.00pm 7.30pm	Paddy McDonagh, Knock. Anniv. Margaret and Michael Smyth, Churchfield. Pat Coen. Anniv. and Thomas and Delia Coen and Mary Doran.
Friday 13 Dec.:	12noon 3.00pm 7.30pm	Austin and Agnes Kearns, Kilgarriff. Anniv. Holy Souls. Monica Murphy, Shanvaghera. 1st Anniv.
Saturday 14 Dec.:	12noon 3.00pm	James Rabbitte, Carramore. Kate King. Anniv and James King.
Shanvaghera: Sunday 8 December:	10.00am	Michael Morley and deceased members of the Morley Family. Aughtaboy. Anniv.
Sunday 15 December:	10.00am	Teddy Campbell, Shanvaghera.

Feast of the Immaculate Conception

This year the Feast of the Immaculate Conception will be celebrated on **Monday 9 December**.
Mass on **Sunday evening at 7.30 p.m.** Masses on Monday at **9, 12 noon 3 p.m. and 7.30 p.m.**

Guided Prayer and Reflection for the Advent Journey

on **Thursday 12th December** in the Prayer Guidance Centre at **4.00pm**. All welcome.

Papal Mass, Rome 26th January 2020

The new Pilgrim Statue of Our Lady of Knock which was commissioned for the 140th Anniversary of the Apparition this year and which was blessed by Pope Francis has been requested for a special Mass in St Peter's Basilica, Rome, on Sunday 26th January next to mark the day honouring the Word of God. The Shrine has also been asked to take part in other ways in the Mass, which will be celebrated by Pope Francis, including the singing of Our Lady of Knock at the conclusion of the Mass.

This is a unique honour and privilege for the Shrine. We will let you know when it will be broadcast on the day. You may even wish to go to Rome to celebrate with us, last minute Christmas present idea!! In any case please pray for the success of the participation.

Parish Carol Service

All are invited to the parish carol service on 15th December next at 8.00pm in the parish church. Refreshments after in St. John's Rest and Care Centre. Please do come along and support.

Carols by Candlelight

The Palestrina Choir, Dublin will lead a wonderful evening of Christmas Carols on Saturday 21st December next at 5.00pm in Knock Basilica. Not to be missed and for all the family! Last remaining tickets are available so hurry! Tickets available from the Knock Shrine Information Centre, Tel 094 93 75070 or online at www.knock-carols@eventbrite.ie

Knock St. Vincent de Paul

are holding their **annual churchgate collection on 7/8 December.**

Knock Parish Council

and the staff of St Johns Rest and Care invite you to a **Festive Tea Party in aid of the homeless on Sunday December 8 after the 10.30am Mass, in St John's Rest and Care.** Free raffle for all. Donations can be made on the day to the Peter McVerry Trust and St Vincent de Paul. Please come along and support these worthy causes.

Padre Pio Prayer Meeting

will be held on **Tuesday 10 December** in the **Blessed Sacrament Chapel from 7.30pm - 8.30pm** Including Mass and blessing of the Padre Pio Relic. Conducted by Fr. John O'Gorman. All welcome.

Advent Talks for Knock Parish

In our continued preparation for Christmas as a parish, all are invited to our third Advent talk given by Fr. Brendan Kilcoyne, entitled 'Christmas reasons to Rejoice' in **St. John's Rest and Care on December 9 at 8.15pm.**

A Mass of Thanksgiving

will be celebrated in the Apparition Church on **Wednesday 11 December at 2.15 p.m.** All who have involvement in the Ministry of "Helping Others" (In any way) are welcome to this Mass..... and to a cuppa in Old Restaurant afterwards. Enquiries to Sr Anastasia or Breda @ 086 3226494

Knock Christmas Market

6th annual event in Knock House Hotel, **Sunday 8 December. from 11am - 4pm.** Crafts etc. Santa's Grotto and face painting. Further information contact Leonie @ 0868486924. Follow us on facebook @ Knock Christmas Market.

Adoration of Blessed Sacrament

takes place Monday to Friday in the Apparition Chapel from **7.00 - 9.00pm.** Group Two this week.

Knock Community Centre Churchgate Collection

took place and a total of **€340 was collected.** The committee wish to thank all those who contributed in both Knock and Shanvaghara. This money will go towards insurance, heating, lighting and ongoing expenses towards running the community centre for the benefit of the pre-school and Foroige groups. A public meeting will be held in the New Year to determine future plans for the Community Centre as the Feasibility Study is now complete.

Knock Community Bingo

Annual Cake Sale will be held in St John's Rest and Care on **Sunday December 15th after 10.30 Mass.** All support would be greatly appreciated. This cake sale is to support the continuance of the weekly community bingo which is held in St John's Rest and Care on **Monday night at 8.30pm.**

Knock Garda Station - Opening hours

Sunday 8 December 1.00pm - 3.00pm.

Tuesday 10 December 10.00am - 12noon.

Thursday 12 December 5.00 - 6.00pm

Garda Bernadette Breslin can be contacted on (094)9388101 or by email bernadette.a.breslin@garda.ie

Prayers for the Deceased

Please pray for the repose of the souls of **Michael Prendergast,**

Derby, England and late of Clarkefield

Funeral Mass 12noon on Saturday.

Mary Ellen Cowley, late of Tullamore.

Sister of Sr. Benignus, Franciscan Sisters, Eden

Rose Toughy, Tooreen

who was a Handmaid in Knock for many years.