# CARE FOR OUR COMMON HOME - Lenten Challenge

Avoid buying fruit and vegetables in plastic packaging. Buy fresh vegetables and use bags that can be recycled. Use a bar of soap instead of hand wash that comes in a plastic bottle.

Try to avoid buying clingfilm and sandwich bags. Use reusable containers or tinfoil instead. Remember - every little helps

## PARISH OF KNOCK-SHANVAGHERA LENTEN SPRING CLEAN

Well done to all those who turned out last Saturday for the Lenten Spring Clean! This initiative by Knock Parish Council, continues for the next 3 Saturdays of Lent. We hope you can join us.

Lenten Challenge! 'Laudato Si' (Care for Our Common Home)

Gather at 10.30am at St. John's Rest & Care Welcome Centre, Saturday morning, 24th February at 10.30am for refreshments and supplies.

Meet at St. John's Rest & Care Welcome Centre at 10.30am for refreshments and supplies. Collect litter as you walk and return the rubbish bags to the rear St. John's Centre. Thanks to Mayo County Council for facilitating the disposal of the bags of rubbish collected.

## OUR PARISH: FACING THE FUTURE:

#### An opportunity to explore the challenges facing parishes today.

This will be of particular interest to Parish Pastoral Councils. Facilitated by Rev. Dr Eugene Duffy, author and lecturer at the department of theology and religious studies at Mary Immaculate College

Guest Speakers by video link:

Monday, February 26th:

'Who are we as a local faith community?' - Prof. Rafael Luciani, Boston College, USA

Monday, March 4th:

'How do we fit into the worldwide Church?' – Prof. Myriam Wijlens, University of Erfurt, Germany **Monday, March 11th:** 

'Enlivening Our Parish' - Prof. Eamonn Conway, University of Notre Dame, Australia

Location: St. John's Welcome Centre, Knock. Time: 8pm to 9.30pm each evening This series is free of charge, however advanced booking is advisable Email: faithrenewal@knockshrine.ie Tel: 094 93 88100 or see Knock Shrine Website for more information.

#### CONCERT

On Friday, March 15th. Knock Shrine will host a special concert celebrating Irish music, heritage and culture at Knock Basilica. The concert will take place at 8.00pm and will include choral pieces, liturgical music, with traditional hymns to St. Patrick, and contemporary sacred pieces by Irish liturgical composers as well as from the Irish secular tradition of poem, song and dance. Performers include Schola Cantorum Basilicae, Knock Youth Choir, traditional local Irish musicians, set dancers and Sean Nós dancers. Admission is free. All are welcome.

## FEAST DAYS

Monday 4 March:St. Casimir.Tuesday 5 March:St. Kieran.Thursday 7 March:Ss Perpetua and Felicity.Friday 8 March:St. John of God and St. Senan.Saturday 9 March:St. Frances of Rome.

## TRANQUILLA

Morning Mass at 8.00am. Masses are open to the Public. Chapel open from 2.00pm - 5.00pm daily. Vespers at 4.30pm.

## LEGION OF MARY KNOCK PRAESIDIUM

weekly meeting on Thursdays at 10.45am in St. John's Welcome Centre. New members welcome.

## **LECTIO DIVINA**

a slow comtemplative praying of the Scriptures will continue on Tuesdays in Carrowmore Meadows at 7.00pm. All are welcome.

#### **KNOCK 25 CARD GAME**

at 9.00pm in St. John's Welcome Centre. All welcome

# DIVINE ENCOUNTER BIBLE STUDY GROUP

every Friday from 6pm-7pm at The Alexian Brothers Community Centre, Churchfield. For further information please contact: 0863401038.

#### **MEETING OF ALL SISTERS**

living in Knock will take place in St. John's Welcome Centre on Wednesday, February 28th at 4.30pm.

## DARKNESS INTO LIGHT

takes place on Saturday 11th May

We would like you to join us on our walk from Shanvaghera Church to Knock Shrine, where we will celebrate Mass at 6am, and afterwards we invite you to a light breakfast in St John's Centre. We hope you can join us on this special event. Further information will follow in due course.

## PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Maureen Lennon, Carramore and Seamus Brenann, late of Barnagurry who passed away in England recently.



St. Anne's Church, Shanvaghera & Church of St. John the Baptist, Knock

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# Fr Richard Gibbons, P.P. tel: 094 93 88100

KNOCK:	MASS	S INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK
Saturday 24 February:	7.30pm	Jack Salmon, Derryool. Month's Mind and
8		Eileen Keane, Rooskey. 4th Anniv.
Monday 26 February:	12noon	Fr. Patrick and Seamus Haran, Carramore.
8	7.30pm	Nora and Andrew Flatley, Ballyhowley.
Wednesday 28 February:	7.30pm	Sr. Mary Carolan, DC.
Thursday 29 February:	7.30pm	Tom Rattigan Liscat. Anniv. and his brother P. J. Rattigan recently deceased.
Friday 1 March:	7.30pm	Richard and Mary Jane O'Grady and their children Richard and Mary.
Saturday 3 March:	12noon	Noreen Hopkins, Carramore. 12th Anniv.
ž	7.30pm	Brian and Kathleen Hynes. Anniv.
Sunday 3 March:	12noon	Boyle Family, Cloonfaugna.
SHANVAGHERA:		
Sunday 25 February:	10.00am	Johnny, Toby and Bridget Kilkenny and deceased Family and deceased members of the Cunniffe Family, Meeltrane.
Sunday 3 March:	10.00am	Tom McNamara. Anniv. and wife Nellie, Derryclagh.

# **BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT MEETINGS**

Life after a bereavement can feel very lonely. Sometimes spending time, talking and sharing with others who know the experience can be helpful. Trained facilitators conduct a weekly Bereavement Support Meeting at the Family Centre, Knock **each Wednesday morning at 11am**. All are welcome and no appointment needed. Further information is available from Monica Morley on 094-9375320.

# LENT REJOICING EASTER

Day of Reflection on Saturday 9 March 10am - 3pm at St. Mary of the Angels, Eden F12 YC83. Bring own food. Tea/ Coffee provided. Sponsor Friday Scripture Group. Led by Fr. Tom Taaffe. To book ring 094 9388302. Looking forward to meeting you on the day.

## EWTN

will broadcast the 12noon Mass every Sunday.

# ST JOHN'S GOLDEN YEARS DAY CARE

continues every Tuesday and Wednesday. If you are interested in attending Day Care please phone 094 9388100 (ext. 136).

# ST. ANNE'S CHURCH, SHANVAGHERA

The Rosary will be recited every Friday morning at 11.00am during the Lenten Season. All are welcome.