

HAPPY EASTER EVERYONE!

Betrayal, frightened disciples, torture, death on a cross, the ignominious end of a movement of love.....but then..... an empty tomb, talk of someone coming back to life, not an end anymore but the start of something extraordinary – so extraordinary that the very concept of what we really are as human beings is changed forever! It could be the basis of a blockbuster movie but it's far more profound.

Easter is a time where we proclaim once again that Jesus Christ is risen from the dead and where he has gone, we hope to follow. We proclaim this in a world which, seems at this time and for the past number of years since Covid, to be stuck in Good Friday. In a world run by people who seem only interested in causing chaos, the Resurrection speaks to people who are touched by death every day in the violent arena of our world, it speaks to people whose loved ones have died in upsetting circumstances, it speaks to people who find life hard, difficult and upsetting in many ways.

It is only through the Resurrection that we can understand that our destiny is not here in this present life but with God where in the end "all things shall be well". We believe this because as Christians we trust in those who physically witnessed the Risen Lord – they actually saw him. Far from being the basis of a movie, it is the basis of our very existence.

A very happy Easter to you all and a welcome home to those who are visiting family and loved ones – He is Risen, Alleluia!

Fr Richard

EASTER OFFERING FOR THE PRIESTS OF THE PARISH

will be taken up at all Masses this weeknd. Thank you for your generosity.

DROP-IN LISTENING SERVICE

Knock Counselling Centre offer a confidential single session listening service with no appointment needed. Our listening service is now available every **Thursday from 11 am to 3 p.m.** For any queries please contact counsellingoffice@knockshrine.ie or phone 0949375032.

EWTN will broadcast the 12noon Mass every Sunday.

GLÓR CONCERT

Glór Achadh Mór magazine fund-raising concert takes place in Eileen's Bar Downtown Achadh Mór on Wednesday April 23rd starting at 8pm. Because of the concerts and the generous support of our kind sponsors the magazine has remained at the same price for the past 25 years. As usual no cover charge but all subscriptions welcome. Fáilte roimh go léir.

THE BISHOP ROBERT BARRON WORD

on Fire Course takes place on Thursdays at 8pm in St. John's Welcome Centre on the following dates: 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th May, 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th June, 3rd, 10th, 17th, and 31st July. Tea, coffee, and biscuits are provided. There is no charge. This three-month course can be joined at any time and focuses on interesting topics about Catholicism, theology, and evangelisation.

- An initiative of Knock-Shanvaghara Pastoral Parish Council

PILGRIMAGES FOR COMING WEEK

Saturday 26 Apr: Dublin Diocesan Pilgrimage

Sunday 27 Apr: Divine Mercy Sunday
Cumann na Sagart

LIGHT THE FIRE

prayer meeting will take place on Easter Tuesday, the 22 of April at 7.00pm in St. Joseph's Chapel at the HUB. Tea/ coffee available afterwards. Everyone is welcome!

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. Information is available from Monica Morley on 094-9375320.

KILMOVEE MEALS ON WHEELS

are looking for volunteers to deliver meals in the Kilmovee/ Swinford/Kilkelly areas. If you could spare some time Kilmovee Community Centre would love to hear from you. Your time would be volunteered and your mileage would be reimbursed. Please call the centre on 094 964 9484

A CHILDREN'S MASS

will take place on Saturday evening, April 26th at 7.30pm in Knock parish church. This family friendly celebration will include a children's gospel, prayers and songs with a view to helping children engage more fully with the mass. Families of children wishing to participate may contact Mary - 086 8571347, Yvonne - 087 7697071 or Geraldine - 086 1630969. All families are most welcome. An initiative of Knock-Shanvaghara parish pastoral council.

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PILGRIMAGE TO CROAGH PATRICK,

As part of the pilgrim passport collaboration for the Jubilee Year, Fr. Richard will lead a pilgrimage to Croagh Patrick for parishioners and Shrine staff on Saturday, May 3rd. Mass will be celebrated in St. Patrick's Chapel on top of the Reek at 11am. Please make sure to collect your pilgrim passport here in Knock and it will be stamped on the day. All are welcome.

PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED

Please pray for the repose of the soul of

Joe McNicholas formerly of Wingfield who died recently in Manchester.



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

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

KNOCK:

Sunday 20 April:	9.00am	K.S.F.A.
	10.30am	Monica Kirrane, Carramore. Month's Mind.
	3.00pm	K.S.F.A.
Monday 21 April:	9.00am	K.S.F.A.
	3.00pm	K.S.F.A.
Tuesday 22 April:	9.00am	K.S.F.A.
	3.00pm	K.S.F.A.
	7.30pm	Catherine and Jimmy Nally, Drum.
Wednesday 23 April:	9.00am	K.S.F.A.
	3.00pm	K.S.F.A.
Thursday 24 April:	9.00am	K.S.F.A.
	3.00pm	K.S.F.A.
	7.30pm	Peter and Mary Ellen Walsh, Cloonternane. Anniv.
Friday 25 April:	9.00am	K.S.F.A.
	12noon	Celine and Martin Solan, Churchfield and Barbara Reddington.
	3.00pm	K.S.F.A.
	7.30pm	Annie Kate and Tom Neary, Lakehill. Anniv.
Saturday 26 April	8.00am	K.S.F.A.
	9.00am	K.S.F.A.
	12noon	Gertie, Peter, Frank and Anna Burke. Anniv.
	7.30pm	Kieran Byrne, Ballyroe. Anniv. and his parents Jim and Kitty.
Sunday 27 April:	9.00am	K.S.F.A.
	10.30am	K.S.F.A.
	12noon	Tommy Joe Byrne, Cloonterriff. Anniv.
	3.00pm	K.S.F.A.

SHANVAGHERA:

Sunday 27 April: 10.00am Mary Morley and her son Austin, Augtaboy. Anniv.

TRANQUILLA

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

LECTIO DIVINA

a slow contemplative praying of the Scriptures will
continue on **Tuesdays in Carrowmore Meadows at 7.00pm**.

KNOCK 25 CARD GAME

Friday evening at 9.00pm in St. John's Welcome Centre.

THE LEGION OF MARY

meeting on **Thursday mornings at 10.30am** in St. John's
Welcome Centre.

New evening meeting praesidium, 7.30pm Wednesdays in
St. John's Welcome Centre.

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HOLY MASS

followed by veneration of first class relics of Blessed
Carlo Acutis will take place in Ballindine Parish Church
at 5pm on Sunday 27th April. Event sponsored by the
Knights of Columbanus.