



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

Newsletter Sunday 7 December 2025. Second Sunday of Advent. Year A

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KNOCK:

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday 6 December :	9.00am	K.S.F.A.
	12noon	Phyllis Hall. Anniv.
	3.00pm	K.S.F.A.
	7.30pm	Toby and Mary Merrick, Ballyhowley.
Sunday 7 December:	9.00am	K.S.F.A.
	10.30am	Fr. Padraic, Seamus and Mairead Haran. Anniv.
	12noon	Frank Conboy, Adrigoole. Anniv.
	3.00pm	K.S.F.A.
Monday 8 December:	9.00am	K.S.F.A.
	12noon	Olive King and deceased members of King Family, Churchfield.
	3.00pm	K.S.F.A.
	7.30pm	Nora O'Callaghan. Anniv.
Tuesday 9 December:	9.00am	K.S.F.A.
	12noon	Archdeacon Cavanagh. Anniv.
	3.00pm	McDermott and Gormally Families. Anniv.
	7.30pm	K.S.F.A.
Wednesday 10 December:	9.00am	K.S.F.A.
	12noon	Julia and Thomas Conway, Cullintra. Anniv.
	3.00pm	K.S.F.A.
	7.30pm	John Joe Donnellan, Knockbaun and remembering his wife Bridie.
Thursday 11 December:	9.00am	K.S.F.A.
	12noon	Thomas and Julia Conway, Cullintra. Anniv.
	3.00pm	K.S.F.A.
	7.30pm	All deceased Daughters of Charity.
Friday 12 December:	9.00am	K.S.F.A.
	12noon	Mary and Joe O'Brien and decd. membs of O'Brien and Murphy Families.
	3.00pm	K.S.F.A.
	7.30pm	Annie May and John Dolan, Drum.
Saturday 13 December :	9.00am	K.S.F.A.
	12noon	Marie and Michael Flatley and Family and grandson Dominic Roda.
	3.00pm	K.S.F.A.
	7.30pm	Dominic Snr. Dominic Jnr. & Annie & Valerie King, Cloonlavish. Anniv.
Sunday 7 December:	9.00am	K.S.F.A.
	10.30am	Patrick Hyland, Coogue. Anniv.
	12noon	Gus, Agnes and Austin Kearns, Kilfarriff. Anniv.
	3.00pm	Eithne Egan, Knock. Anniv.

SHANVAGHERA:

- Sunday 7 December: 10.00am Monica Murphy, Shanvaghera. Anniv.
 Sunday 14 December: 10.00am Michael Morley, Aughtaboy. Anniv.

FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION - 8TH DECEMBER

Sunday 7 December.: Masses: 9.00am & 10.30am Parish Church. 12noon, 3.00pm Basilica and 7.30pm Parish Church.
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ALL NIGHT VIGIL

takes place on **Sunday, December 7th. Confessions from 10.00pm to Midnight.** Vigil takes place from Midnight concluding with Mass at 4.00am in the Basilica.

BAMBINELLI SUNDAY, DECEMBER 14TH

Blessing of cribs will take place at **12noon Mass.**

THE LONGEST NIGHT – A GATHERING OF COMFORT AND HOPE

This is a service for those who feel isolated from the general feelings of joy and happiness typically associated with this time of year. It takes place in the Apparition Chapel on **Saturday evening 20 December from 8.30pm to 9.00pm.** All are welcome.

FOLLOW THE STAR AT KNOCK SHRINE

Step into the wonder of Christmas with a magical outdoor journey through the Nativity story. Follow the shining stars along the Creation Walk trail to meet the shepherds, the Three Wise Men, and Mary and Joseph with Baby Jesus. Enjoy a festive evening filled with a variety of children's arts and crafts activities, cosy storytelling in the Knock Museum theatre, beautiful Christmas music to set the scene. Delicious treats also available – tea, coffee, hot chocolate, and crepes. Open from **5.30pm to 7.00pm** with sensory friendly hour from **4.30pm to 5.30pm.** This is a free event. All are welcome.

CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT

an evening of festive, sacred music takes place in the Basilica on **Sunday, December 21st at 8.00pm** with Schola Cantorum Basilica, Knock Youth Choir and Con Tempo string quartet. This is a free event and all are welcome.

INTRODUCTION TO THE SCRIPTURES

Fr Benny McHale's introduction to the Gospel for next year, St. Matthews Gospel continues this Tuesday night from **7.30pm – 9.30pm** in the Prayer Centre. No previous knowledge is needed. Contact Nicola at faithrenewal@knockshrine.ie or see www.knockshrine.ie.

ENROLMENT/OPEN EVENING

Knock National School will be holding an enrolment information evening on **Tuesday 9 December at 7.00pm.** All parents/guardians who wish to enrol their child/children for the 2025-2026 school year are invited to attend.

CENACOLO COMMUNITY

Live Nativity Play will take place on the weekend **Saturday 13 and Sunday 14 December at 6.00pm.** All are welcome.

HOSPICE CHRISTMAS TREE

The Tree Lighting ceremony for Let Love Shine light Hospice Christmas appeal will take place on **Sunday 7th December at 5pm** following the annual Memorial walk which commences at **4.00pm.** Further details by calling 0949388666.

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

The weekly bereavement support group continues on **Wednesday mornings at 11.00am** in St Joseph's Chapel, in the Family Centre. No appointment is needed and all are welcome.

LATIN MASS

will take place on **Sunday December 14 at 6.00pm** in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel.

HOURLY OF GRACE

from **11.45am until 1.15pm** in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel on **8th December?** The Angelus will be prayed before **12noon** so that the prayers can begin promptly at noon. It is sponsored by the Legion of Mary.

MEETING OF ALL SISTERS

living in Knock will take place in St. John's Welcome Centre on **Wednesday 10 December at 4.30pm.** All Sisters are welcome.

'LIGHT THE FIRE'

prayer meeting will take place this **Tuesday 9 December at 7.00pm** in St. Joseph's Chapel at the HUB The reflection during this week of Advent will be on the second fruit of the Holy Spirit: the Gift of Joy. Everyone is welcome!

KNOCK CHRISTMAS MARKET

will be held on **Sunday 14 December, 10.00am to 4.00pm** in St. John's Welcome Centre (Rest and Care Centre) on the grounds of Knock Shrine.

For more information follow us on Facebook & Instagram at Knock Market. Contact: leoniekilroy@gmail.com

LIGHT UP KNOCK PROJECT

It's that time of year, and once again we are looking for your support with our Light Up Knock Project.

If you would like to donate please drop your donation into 'The Old Ground Restaurant' opposite the church gates or email me at leoniekilroy@gmail.com

Thank you for your support.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS FOR DECEMBER

Sat. 7.30pm Mary E. Forde, Lily King

Sun. 9.00am Margaret McHugh.

10.30am Mary Kneafsey, Breda Kilkenny.

12noon Ruth Brennan, Gerard McHugh.

TRANQUILLA

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