



# KNOCK

*Parish Newsletter*



Church of St. John the Baptist, Knock

St. Anne's Church, Shanvaghera

## CHRISTMAS 2018

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### SUNDAYS AND HOLY DAYS

Masses: 9.00am, 10.30am, , 3.00pm.  
(Eve of Sundays and Holydays, 7.30pm)  
Shanvaghera: 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>Wednesday 26 Dec.:</b>	3.00pm	Blessed Sacrament Guild.
<b>Thursday 27 Dec.:</b>	12noon 3.00pm	P, J. and Kate Brady, Liscat. Kielty Family, Rookfield.
<b>Friday 28 Dec.:</b>	12noon 3.00pm	Anne Marie McNamara and deceased members of the McNamara and Roache Families. Anniv. Holy Souls.
<b>Saturday 29 Dec.:</b>	12noon 3.00pm	Peter, Gertie, Frank and Seán Burke, Cloondace. Paddy Phillips, Knock and Ballyhaunis.
<b>Sunday 30 Dec.:</b>	3.00pm	Enda Morley, Cloonfaughna. Month's Mind.
<b>Shanvaghera:</b>		
<b>Sunday 23 Dec.:</b>	10.00am	Teddy Campbell, Shanvaghera.
<b>Sunday 30 Dec.:</b>	10.00am	John Cunniffe and deceased members of the Cunniffe Family, Meeltrane.

## Happy Christmas

In wishing all our parishioners a happy Christmas we think especially of the sick, those in hospital, nursing homes or at home, and those who are unable to be with us for Christmas Mass.

A special welcome to all those who have come home to be with their families for Christmas -

to all who are visiting Knock at this time - and we wish everyone a happy and peaceful New Year.

Fr. Richard Gibbons

Fr. Terence Harrington

## Christmas Programme

### Monday 24 December Christmas Eve

**Knock** Masses: 9.00am, 12noon, 3.00pm  
Christmas Vigil Mass at **7.30pm and Midnight Mass in the Basilica.**  
**Shanvaghera:** Midnight Mass at 12midnight.  
**Carmelite Chapel:** Midnight Mass at 12midnight.

### Tuesday 25 December Christmas Day

**Knock:** Mass at 9.00am, 10.30am and 12noon  
**Shanvaghera:** Mass at 10.00am  
**Carmelite Chapel:** Mass at 8.00am.

### NO MASSES LATER THAN MIDDAY ON CHRISTMAS DAY

**Wednesday 26 – Saturday 29 (inclusive) Masses at 12noon and 3.00pm**  
**Please note the 7.30pm Vigil Mass will resume on Saturday 29th December.**

**Carmelite Convent:** Mass at 9.00am (Wednesday to Saturday inclusive).

**Sunday 30 December:** Masses at 9.00am, 10.30, 12noon and 3.00pm.

**Shanvaghera** Mass at 10.00am.

### Christmas Confessions

Confessions from **11.00am - 4.00pm.** Confessions finish at **4.00pm sharp** on Christmas Eve. Re-opening on **Sunday 30 December at 11.00am.**

Those living abroad or who are unable to make it to Knock might be interested to know that the 7.30pm and Midnight Mass on Christmas Eve and the Mass at 12 noon Christmas day will be streamed live online at [www.knockshrine.ie/watch](http://www.knockshrine.ie/watch).

## St. Stephen's Day Walk at Knock

This year our Annual St. Stephen's Day Walk is being organised to show support to and solidarity with all bereaved families in the parish. **Please join us after the 12 noon Mass (approx. 12.45pm) at the gates of the Old Church to walk the 3km around the Shrine grounds with family, friends and neighbours.** All proceeds going to Knock St. Vincent de Paul, Knock Order of Malta and the Mayo/Roscommon Hospice Foundation. Don't forget to wear your high vis vests.

## Feast of St. John

### Thursday 27 December 2018

Afternoon of Prayer in Honour of St. John from **4.00pm to 6.00pm in the Apparition Chapel** including Rosary, Adoration and Holy Mass.  
Conducted by Fr. Thomas Surlis.

## Ministers of the Word - January

Sat. 7.30pm John Kelly, Bernadette McNieve.  
Sun. 10.30am Assumpta Lally, Ursula Caulfield.  
12noon Gillian Slattery, Phyllis Aherne.

## Eucharistic Ministers - January

Sat. 7.30pm Lily King, Mary Kneafsey, Eileen Morley  
Sun. 9.00am Grainne Freyne.  
10.30am Claire Brady, Sr. Helen Coughlan  
12 noon Sr. Catherine McLoughlin and  
Elsie Tully.

*We wish to thank all Readers and  
Eucharistic Ministers for their help during 2018.  
Mary Kilkenny and Anne Byrne.*

## Pop-Up Exhibition at Dublin Castle

A 'Daughters of Charity' Habit (from the Knock Museum collection) has gone on display in a pop-up exhibition in Dublin Castle '100 years of Women in Politics and Public Life 1918 – 2018'. The exhibition shines a spotlight on women's participation in politics and public life over the past century and explores the challenges they faced and the obstacles they overcame. The Daughters of Charity ran St. Mary's Hostel in Knock from 1931 – 2016 and were renowned for their wonderful charity and hospitality to visiting pilgrims and parishioners as well running the local youth club, teaching music and directing choirs in the Parish Church and St. Anne's, Shanvaghera, pastoral counselling and retreat work, meals on wheels, nursing duties and St. John's Rest & Care Centre. It is **open at the Coach House in Dublin Castle until Sunday 03 February and admission is free.**

## Prayers for the Deceased

Please pray for the repose of the souls of  
**John Toolan,**  
Lancashire, England  
Brother of the late Vera Mallee, Faughill  
**Mary Costello,**  
Rosebury Court  
who died during the week.

## Mass at 12noon and 3.00pm on Sundays

is streamed live at [www.knockshrine.ie/watch](http://www.knockshrine.ie/watch) and also on Radio Maria at <http://radiomaria.ie/live-stream/> or via Digital/DAB Radio