A CHILDREN'S MASS

will take place on the last Saturday of each month at 7.30pm in Knock parish church beginning on February 22nd. 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 on a particular Saturday may contact Mary - 086 8571347, Yvonne - 087 7697071 or Geraldine - 086 1630969. All families are most welcome.

An initiative of Knock-Shanvaghera parish pastoral council.

A SENSORY FRIENDLY MASS

takes place in the Parish Church on the last Sunday of every month at 12.30pm. The next Mass takes place on Sunday, March 30th. For gueries and more information, contact Nicola at faithrenewal@knockshrine.ie

FULL DETAILS OF THE SPRING/SUMMER FAITH RENEWAL PROGRAMME

Brochures for the Spring/Summer Faith Renewal Programme are now available throughout the Shrine. The programme includes retreats, sacred music, art appreciation and workshops. Guest speakers over the coming months will include well known scientist and broadcaster Eanna Ní Lamhna, international motivational speaker David Wells, Jane Mellett of Trocaire, social scientist Brendan O'Keeffe and art critic Nora Donnelly.

THE NATIONAL NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF KNOCK

will take place from **August 13th to 21st 2025 at 3pm and 8pm daily**. Please note the change of dates. The Novena will now conclude with celebration of the anniversary of the Apparition on August 21st.

'SONGS OF HOPE' CONCERT AT KNOCK BASILICA'

A very special Concert 'Songs of Hope' will take place on **Friday, 21st March, 2025.** Join us at Knock Basilica for an evening of deeply-moving Gospel Songs, Country Music and Inspirational Hymns from John McNicholl, Donna Taggart, Louise Morrissey and Brendan Shine and his daughter Emily. They will be joined by Schola Cantorum Basilicae Choir under the direction of Úna Nolan. Tickets are on sale locally from St Brigid's Gift Shop, Knock Post Office and from the Information Centre at Knock Shrine. Price €35. Also available online from Eventbrite.ie (search for 'Songs of Hope Knock'). A night not to be missed! Proceeds from this event will go towards Knock Community Centre Re-Development Fund.

Enquiries to 094-9388141 or email: knockcommunitycentre01@gmail.com

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

THE LEGION OF MARY

meeting on **Thursday mornings at 10:30am i**n St. John's Welcome Centre.

KNOCK 25 CARD GAME

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

FEASTDAYS FOR COMING WEEK

Thursday 27 Feb: St. Gregory of Narek, Abbot and Doctor of the Church.

EWTN will broadcast the 12noon Mass every Sunday.

DROP-IN LISTENING SERVICE

At Knock Counselling Centre we 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.

STATIONS:

Saturday 1 March 11.00am Tom and Mary Coleman, Shanvaghera.

LATIN MASS

takes place on Sunday March 9, at 6.00pm in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel.

'LIGHT THE FIRE'

prayer meeting will take place on Tuesday the 25th of February at 7pm in St.Joseph's Chapel at the HUB, Knock Shrine. Everyone is welcome!

BAKE SALE

in St. John's Welcome Centre on Sunday 2 March, 10am-2pm to support Mary's Meals. Donated baked goods are welcome. Contact Cyril: 087 632 5753 if you can help. Mary's Meals is a simple solution to world hunger, feeding children in 16 of the world's poorest countries in school, ensuring a daily meal as well as their education. It costs €22 to feed a child for a full school year.

Please go to marysmeals.ie if you want to know more

PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED

Please pray for the repose of the souls of:

Dan McCormack, Milltown

Father of Mary Naughton, Adrigoole

Sr. Mary Paul English, Holy Family Sisters and formerly of Cahir, Co. Tipperary both who died 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

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

KNOCK:

Saturday 22 February: 7.30pm Maureen Lennon, Carramore. 1st Anniv. Sunday 23 February: 10.30am Fr. Eamon Concannon. Kilcun. 1st Anniv.

12noon Sr. Anne Killeen DC. 1st Anniv.

Monday 24 February: 12noon Anthony and Kathleen Howley, Aughtaboy. Anniv. Thursday 27 February; 12noon Thomas and Annie-Kate O'Brien, Adrigoole. Anniv.

7.30pm Thomas and P. J. Rattigan, Liscat. Anniv.

Friday 28 February: 12noon Margaret McNamara, Churchfield and her parents

Peter and Kathleen Murphy.

7.30pm Jimmy and Annie Curry, Cloonlee. Anniv.

Saturday 1 March: 12noon Patrick and Margaret Walsh. Anniv.

7.30pm Joe Mallee, Knock. Anniv.

Sunday 2 March: 10.30am John Leckey. Late of Knock and Belfast. Anniv.

12noon Noreen Hopkins, Carramore. 13th Anniv.

SHANVAGHERA:

Sunday 2 March: 10.00am Tom and Nellie McNamara and deceased Family Members,

Derryclagh. Anniv.

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.

CATHOLIC MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT

weekend from 28th to 30th March at St. Mary's. A time to learn new communication skills to deepen your relationship; to deepen your knowledge of it being a sacrament and a sign of God's love, and more. To register, please visit our website: www.marriageencounter.ie Contact couple: mikeandrosemarriagencounter.ie

RETROUVAILLE

You Can Help Your Marriage – Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Do you argue ... or have you just stopped because it only makes it worse? Retrouvaille has helped 10s of 1000s of couples experiencing difficulties in their marriage. For confidential information about the next programme which will be presented on Zoom ...27 February to 2 March 2025. Email:info@retrouvaille.org.uk Call or text 0788 7296983

MEDUGORJE

Knock Shrine Chaplain Fr. Frank O'Grady will be the spiritual director for an upcoming pilgrimage to Medugorje taking place from October 8th to October 15th next. Fr. Frank will also be joined by Fr. Michael Iflora and Fr. Tom Lavin, Knock Shrine. The flight departs Knock Airport for Mostar. €875, which includes flights, bus transfers, accommodation with breakfast and afternoon dinner. For booking and any further information, contact pilgrimage leader Yvonne Igoe on 087-4170959.