## CÉAD MILE FÁILTE

The Pastoral Council of Knock-Shanvaghera would like to extend a warm welcome to Pat O'Brien, Cloonmore, head sacristan and Austin Bourke from Ballina. We wish them all the best in their new roles.

## FR. BENNY MCHALE

will conduct a four night programme on volume two of Luke's New Testament writing, the Acts of the Apostles, which will be read during the Easter season. No previous knowledge is required and Bibles will be provided. The course takes place on Wednesday 19 March, 26 March, 2 April and 9 April from 7:30pm to 9.30pm in The Prayer Centre. Places are limited. For bookings, contact Nicola Mitchell at Knock Shrine. Tel 094 93 88100 or email nicolamitchell@knockshrine.ie

## **WHISPER OF GOD'**

One Day Retreat takes place in the Prayer Centre at Knock Shrine on Saturday, March 22nd .The day will include quiet prayer, reflection and spiritual direction. For bookings and more information, contact John Farrelly, Knock Shrine by email prayerguidance@knockshrine.ie or telephone 086 0108623. See www.knockshrine.ie for more details.

### '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

### **MEETING OF ALL SISTERS**

living in Knock will take place in St. John's Welcome Centre on Wednesday 12th March at 4.30pm. All Sisters are welcome.

### 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

Tuesday 11 March: St. Aengus, Bishop and Abbot.

## **CHURCH GATE COLLECTION**

this weekend of March 8 and 9 for youth pilgrimage to Rome for Carlo Acutis canonisation . Your support would be greatly appreciated.

## **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.

## LATIN MASS

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

FREE ELECTRICAL RECYCLING EVENT IN KNOCK

on Thursday, 13 March at The West Car Park 10am – 4pm hosted by WEEE Ireland and supported by Mayo County Council. Any household waste electrical items which are operated by a plug or a battery (large or small) and are at the end of their useful life will be accepted for recycling free of charge. Also, all types of batteries and energy saving lightbulbs will be accepted for recycling.

## YOUTH 2000 CONNAUGHT

one-day retreat takes place on Saturday, March 29, at St. Mary's Church / Dominican Priory in the Claddagh in Galway City, beginning at 9.30am. Workshops, music, talks, testimonies & more. Donation only. Register online at Youth2000.ie, contact

connaught@youth2000.ie for more information.

#### 'LIGHT THE FIRE'

prayer meeting will take place on Tuesday the 11th of March at 7pm in St.Joseph's Chapel at the HUB. Everyone is welcome!

## FORÓIGE YOUTH MENTORING

Would you have an hour to spare in the week? Adult Mentors are required for Foróige's Youth Mentoring Programme across the Mayo area. If you are interested in supporting a young person, this is an enjoyable way to spend your time and have a positive impact in a young person's life! We have many young people waiting to be matched to a Mentor and would be delighted to hear from you! Call 0863835859 / 0860471420 for more information on our recruitment process."

#### 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



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

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## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday 8 March;	7.30pm	Dympna Fagan, Kilkelly. Member of Legion of Mary.
Sunday 9 March:	10.30am	Michael Naughton, Churchfield Drive. 1st Anniv.
	12noon	Bert Murray, Caldragh. 1st Anniv. and his daughter Breda.
		Mary Jennings, Main St., 20th Anniv. & Patsy Jennings 7th Anniv.
Monday 10 March:	7.30pm	Michael Jordan, Ballyhowley. Anniv.
Tuesday 11 March	12noon	Boyle Family, Cloonfaughna. Anniv.
	7.30pm	Richard and Mary O'Grady and their children Richard and Mary.
		Anniv.
Wednesday 12 March:	12noon	Kathleen and Pat Reilly and John, Mary and Kate Kilbane.
	7.30pm	Helena Jordan, Ballyhowley. Anniv.
Thursday 13 March:	12noon	Austin, Agnes and Gus Kearns, Kilgarriff.
Saturday 15 March;	12noon	Patrick and Kathleen Devaney, Coogue. Anniv.
	7.30pm	John Joe Fleming and deceased members of the Fleming Family, Cloonterriff. Anniv.
		Breege Beddall Nee Egan, Birmingham, late of Kilgarriff.
Sunday 16 March:	10.30am	Patrick and Ann Walsh and deceased Family members.
	12noon	Tommy Jennings, Rookfield. Month's Mind.
SHANVAGHERA:		
Monday 17 March:	10.00am	Paddy and Eileen Murphy, Shanvaghera. Anniv.

## ST. ANNE'S CHURCH, SHANVAGHERA

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

#### KNOCK COUNSELLING CENTRE

**KNOCK:** 

Volunteers required to provide the Drop-in listening service at Knock Counselling Centre during the pilgrimage season at Knock. Approx 15 hours from April to October. Applicants should have completed a listening skills training course. For further information, please contact Knock Counselling Centre at 094 9375032.

#### KNOCK COUNSELLING SERVICE - Is Anger Hurting You Or Your Family?

Knock Counselling Service is running a 2-day Anger Management Programme on Friday 4 and Saturday 5 April 2025. Contact Peter Devers at 094 93 75032 or log onto www.knockcounsellingcentre.com

#### **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.