

SACRED HEART CHURCH

ROSCOMMON

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“I tell you most solemnly, it was not Moses who gave you bread from heaven, it is my Father who gives you bread from heaven.”

THE WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES: WE WELCOME POPE FRANCIS TO IRELAND: C  ad M  le F  ilte

-Here are three different family stories from the Bible-

1) One of the most common phrases heard in all families is, ‘**It’s not my fault!**’ Whether it is a hurt feeling or a damaged possession, our first instinct is often to blame another person for the situation. Perhaps we use blame as a shield to protect ourselves or maybe we feel genuinely wronged, but whatever the motive, the blame game is as old as the Bible. The opening family scene in the first book of the Bible is one of blame and recrimination: the man (Adam) blames the woman (Eve), they blame God and then they both blame the serpent!! The story is about how God stayed close to them. God asked them: **WHERE ARE YOU?** We are asked the same question of loving concern....

2) After the death of his young son Willie, Abraham Lincoln (1809-1865) wrote this for the funeral: *“There is a world above, where sorrow is unknown. An eternity of love, formed for the good alone.”* And upon the death of his little daughter Anne, Charles Darwin (1809-1882) wrote: *‘We have lost the joy of our household, and the solace of our old age.’* Like most parents, Lincoln and Darwin would have unquestioningly given their own lives so that their child would live. King David’s grief and desolation too at the death of his son Absalom, echoes the pain of all parents who have lived to bury their child. We remember all families who have journeyed through this painful chasm that swallows both the past and the future.

3) There is a saying that *‘a baby is God’s opinion that the world should go on’* and the arrival of a new child certainly brings unparalleled joy both to the family and community. In the case of Elizabeth and Zechariah, that feeling of joy was enhanced by the unexpected coming of the news that John the Baptist was to be their newborn son. Zechariah was literally dumbfounded. Each new life in a family creates dreams and possibilities as parents create a future for all their children. The Gospels unfold for us the family story of Jesus, Mary and Joseph as they faced family challenges with trust and faith.

SILENT LOVE

*There’s no vocabulary
For love within a family, love that is lived in
But not looked at, love within the light of which
All else is seen, the love within which
All other love finds speech,
This love is silent.*

*T.S. Eliot
(1888-1965)*

John Cullen

Mass Intentions for the week commencing 6th August

10:00 am

Monday: Elizabeth Connaughton & deceased of Flynn family
Tuesday: Tomás O' Donnchadha
Wednesday: Pat & Mary McLoughlin
Thursday: Vera McCarthy
Friday: Joe McGrath
Saturday: Matthew & Bridget Quirke and their son Paddy.
Saturday: **7 pm** John Hannon (1st Anniv.) & Mary Hannon

Mass Intentions for the week commencing 13th August

10:00 am

Monday: Tom Kilduff
Tuesday: Mary, Lilly & Tom Foxe
Tuesday: **7pm** Monica Murphy and deceased family
Wednesday: **8:30 am** Bernadette Bergin (Feast of the Assumption)
10:30 am Mons John Naughton
10:00 am
Thursday: Padre Pio
Friday: Owen & Anne Morgan
Saturday: John Murphy & Dominic Vincent Murphy
Sunday: **12:15pm** Joe Leonard (Month's Mind)

Mass Intentions for the week commencing 20th August

10:00 am

Monday: Frank & Johanna McManus
Tuesday: Michael & Annie Banks
Wednesday: Padraic, Liz & Michael John McGowan
Thursday: Ada O' Donnell
Friday: Patrick & Elizabeth Costello & deceased family
Saturday: Gerry & Noel Martin

We remember the following:

Mary Kate Leydon, Sr. Anna Duignan, Margaret & Paddy O' Donovan, whose anniversaries occur around this time.

Mass Intentions for the week commencing 27th August

10:00 am

Monday: Michael & Eileen Quigley
Tuesday: Margaret Flanagan
Wednesday: Martin & Kate Quigley & deceased family members
Thursday: Peadar Kenny & deceased family
Friday: David Fallon
Saturday: Evan Dolan
Sunday: **12:15 pm** Sr. Anna Duignan

RECENT DEATHS: Please pray for the happy repose of the souls of :

Francis Hanily, Manchester brother of John Hanily, Gallowstown. **Mary Mulvey**, Carrick-on-Shannon mother of Rita Oates, Ardsallagh Beg. **Joe Leonard**, Roscommon Town, formerly Cremully, Castlecoote. **James Forde**, late of Circular Rd & England brother of Bernadette Collins, Circular Road & Emily Sherringham, Ardsallagh Woods.



THE HOLY FAMILY ICON

<u>NAME OF FAMILY</u>	<u>WEEK:</u>
Coughlan Family	4th August - 11th August.
Martin & Kathleen Kenny	11th August - 18th August.
Meeting of Families	18th August - 25th August.
Seamus & Teresa Talbot	25th August - 1st Sept.
Bernadette Leonard	1st Sept - 8th Sept.

PERMANENT ADORERS REQUIRED:

For the Blessed Sacrament Chapel to cover following hours: **Monday 12—1 pm: Wednesday 5—6 pm: - Thursday 1 - 2 pm. Friday 8—9 pm & Sat. 4—5 pm.** **Any assistance** would be greatly appreciated, please phone Parish Office 090 66 26298 or contact any of the Clergy.

Relics of Ss Louis and Zélie Martin & St. Thérèse in Sligo. As part of a national pilgrimage in preparation for the World Meeting of Families, the Relics of Saints Louis and Zélie Martin and their daughter, Saint Thérèse of Lisieux will visit the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Sligo on Wednesday 15th August, arriving at 11.30am and departing on Thursday 16th August at 8.15am.

PUBLIC ROSARY: Praying a Public Rosary for Ireland in the Sacred Heart Church grounds on Saturday 11th Aug. at 4 pm. Co-ordinated nationally by Ireland needs Fatima. Please join us. Everybody welcome. Further information, please contact Mary on 085 8503 191.



PLEASE NOTE :

OFFICE CLOSED: Parish Office will be closed next week from Monday 6th August to Friday 10th August. Office will re-open on Monday 13th August.

NEXT ISSUE OF NEWSLETTER WILL BE ON SUNDAY 2nd SEPTEMBER.

REMINDER: THERE WILL BE NO 8 AM WEEK DAY MASS DURING THE MONTH OF AUGUST.

VISIT OF POPE FRANCIS: To facilitate people who may wish to travel for the Pope's visit, there will be Mass at 8.30am and 10.30am on Sunday 26th August. There is no 12.15pm Mass on this day.

POPE AT KNOCK SHRINE: The Parish has organised a bus for people wishing to travel to Knock on Sunday 26th August for the Pope's visit to Knock Shrine. If you have a ticket for Knock and you wish to travel as a group please contact the Parish Office **090 66 26298** before the 15th August to book a seat on the bus or for more information. We are being advised from the authorities in Knock that those travelling by bus will get nearer to the Shrine than those travelling by car.

Le Chéile le Críost (*Together with Christ*) is the theme for the opening of the World Meeting of Families on Tuesday 21st August 2018. There will be special prayers at the morning Mass at 10 am. This date is also the anniversary of the silent apparition of Our Lady in Knock in 1879. We will include the National Novena Prayers during the Mass to pray for God's blessing on this special event, as we prepare for the visit of **Pope Francis**. May his pastoral presence among us be one of prayerful peace.

Novena to Our Lady of Knock: 14th—22nd August. Ceremonies 3 pm & 8.30 pm daily. Workshops 12 noon & 6 pm daily. Theme for this year's Novena is 'Faith & Family'.

Catholic Young Adults Conference In All Hallow's College—Theme "Made for More; Be the One with Mary". Saturday 1st & Sunday 2nd September. Young Catholics between 18 and 40 years. Enquiries: Ph: Tom Beirne 086 386 1954: Email tombeirne51@hotmail.com

RECENT BAPTISMS: We welcome into the Christian family:-

*Fiadh Ann Doonan, James David Patterson & Evie Catherine Holmes.
Simone Mairéad Henson; Sianna Chloe McDonagh & John Paul McDonagh.*



RECENT WEDDINGS: Congratulations to -

*Angela Keigher & Fintan Lalor, Edel Kane & Michael Fitzpatrick,
Ellen O'Keeffe & Kevin Domican.*



Medjugorje Mass: Monthly Mass for Peace will be celebrated in St. Coman's Club on Tuesday next 7th August. Holy Rosary will be recited at 8 pm followed by Holy Mass. Refreshments served afterwards. Everybody welcome!

PILGRIMAGES:

ANNUAL DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK

Will take place on Sunday 19th August. Bishop Kevin will celebrate Mass at 3pm in Knock Basilica, with Anointing of the Sick at 2.30 pm.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES : Pilgrimage dates from Tuesday 28th August to Sunday 2nd September. Please unite in prayer with the Pilgrims.

PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND. Mid-term Holy Land Pilgrimage, 26th October to 3rd November 2018 with Fr. Rob McNamara (Galway). Contact Anne on 074 955 1438 or annemcdwyer@gmail.com

ALTAR SOCIETY: Group i is scheduled for the coming week.

A BUS TO PHOENIX PARK: Will leave 4-Mile-House on Sun. 26th August for Papal Mass. Tickets for the Mass also available. Please contact Fr. Browne 087 445 5990 for further details.

THANK YOU: The Medical Missionaries of Mary wish to thank you for your very generous contributions which will go to assist them in their missionary work.

LOUGH DERG PILGRIMAGE: 1-Day trip to Lough Derg on Saturday 1st September. Bus leaving Church Car Park. To book a seat or for further details, please contact Mary O'Rourke on 090 66 61957 or Teresa Hannon on 087 120 6343

OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR REQUIRED BY FAMILY CARERS' IRELAND—ROSCOMMON

Who provide support and services for carers who are caring for loved ones in their own homes and sponsor a Community Employment Scheme to those who are on social welfare payments for 12 months or more and aged 21yrs and upwards. We are currently looking for an Office Administrator in our Roscommon Office which is managed by Bernie Dowling, if you are interested and would like more information, Please feel free to contact Sheilah Kinsella on 086 020 8507 or 057 932 2920 or email - skinsella@familycarersireland.ie

Mary's Meals National Walk to Knock: Ireland is marching to Knock for Mary's Meals from the 7th to 15th August again this year. From different locations throughout the country. Please see www.sbs4marvsm meals.ie for mapping and more info. If you wish to join and walk a few miles you are welcome. Please register on website or give Gerard a ring on 085 - 803 7479.

TOUR 2018 "Would you like a mini break?" Tour organised to North - East of Ireland, 3rd - 6th September inclusive, based in Carrickdale Hotel, Dundalk for three nights with breakfast & dinner. There will be mini tours to Dublin, Louth & Down. Four central pickups in Roscommon and Leitrim. Further details from Eileen on 086 370 2547.

ANNUAL JUMBLE SALE In aid of Crumlin Children's Hospital at Roscommon Agricultural Show on **18th August**. Last year a cheque for €1,500 was given to Crumlin Hospital thanks to your support. We would appreciate any donations of toys, books, ornaments, unwanted gifts or any Jumble. If you have items for donation, please contact Bridget to arrange collection, at any time, on 087 977 3338.

HERITAGE WEEK EVENTS AT ROSCOMMON LIBRARY:

18th August - 10am—12.30 pm: *Sharing family stories.* 3 guest speakers will share their family stories and guide you on how best to present your genealogy research. No booking necessary.

18th August - 1.30 - 4.30 pm: *Genealogy Clinic*—Professional genealogist, Eilish Feeley will help with your family history research. Booking essential 087 294 0544: feeleyeilish@gmail.com

21st August - 5.30—7.30 pm: *Every place has a story*—would you like to know the story of your house, home-place or farm? Mary Leyden will guide you through the available resources. No booking necessary.

22nd August - 3.30 - 4.30 pm: The launch of the 12th phase of the *Folklore and Oral History recordings*. No booking necessary.

EVERYBODY, SOMEBODY, ANYBODY AND NOBODY:

There was an important job to be done. EVERYBODY was sure that SOMEBODY would do it. ANYBODY could have done it, but NOBODY did it. SOMEBODY got angry about that, because it was EVERYBODY'S job. EVERYBODY thought ANYBODY could do it, but NOBODY realised that EVERYBODY wouldn't do it. It ended up that EVERYBODY blamed SOMEBODY when NOBODY did what ANYBODY could have done.

Last Sunday's Offertory Collection: €3,081.00
Family Circle: €252.00 Prizes: € 200.00

Thank You