

# Tradaree Pastoral Area Newsletter

## The Baptism of Our Lord - 11th January 2026

### Parishes of Newmarket on Fergus, Shannon & Sixmilebridge

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#### Tradaree Pastoral Area Mass Schedule

##### Newmarket on Fergus Parish

**Newmarket Church:** Tue - Fri @ 9.30am. Sat @ 6pm .

**Carrigerry Church:** Sun @ 9am. **Wells Church** Sun @ 10.30am

##### Shannon Parish

**Mary Immaculate :** Mon - Communion Liturgy @ 10am.

Tue - Fri @ 10am. Sat @ 11am. Sun @ 10.30am

**Ss. John & Paul Church:** Mon & Fri @ 7pm. Sat @ 6.30pm.

Sun @ 12 noon.

##### Sixmilebridge

**Sixmilebridge Church:** Mon, Wed to Fri @ 9.30am.

Tue - Communion Liturgy @ 9.30am. Sat @ 7.30pm.

Sun @ 12 noon. **Kilmurry Church :** Sun @ 9am

#### Tradaree Parish Offices

**Newmarket-on-Fergus - Mary** 061-368127

email: office@newmarketonfergusparish.ie,

Website: www.newmarketonfergus.ie.

Open Mon - Thur 10am to 2.30pm

**Shannon - Jemma** 061-363243,

email: office@shannonparish.ie,

Website: www.shannonparish.ie

Open Tue-Fri 10am to 1pm & 2pm to 5pm

**Sixmilebridge/Kilmurry - Puff** 061-713682

email: office@sixmilebridgeparish.ie

Website: sixmilebridgeparish.ie. Open Tue - Fri 10am to 12

Newsletter deadline for items to be included

**12.00 every Wednesday.**



The birth of a baby is a huge gift to Parents.

They are born into a Family Community.

They are introduced into the Christian Community in the

Sacrament of Baptism.

Our Lord Himself was Baptised underlining the importance of the introduction through this Sacrament.

**Newsletter Deadline :** please note that the deadline for items to be included in the newsletter is **Wednesday 12noon.**

**MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT WEEKEND** Catholic Marriage Encounter in Ireland **Dates: 20 -22 March 2026. WEEKEND**  
*LIKE NO OTHER.* Venue: "St Marys" Knock, Co. Mayo Online: [www.marriageencounter.ie](http://www.marriageencounter.ie)

**The West Clare Cancer Centre 8K Run/Walk** will take place on Sunday, 25th January in Kilkee. Walkers will meet at 12.30pm with a 1.00pm start, and runners will meet at 1.00pm with a 1.30pm start. All funds raised remain in Clare and support individuals and families within our local community. Registration is €20 and all are welcome.

**Online Chair Yoga Classes:** Kilrush Library are hosting a series of online Chair Yoga classes with Yoga Teacher Trish Cleary on the following dates: Friday 16<sup>th</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> January @ 11am & Friday 6<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> February @ 11am. Classes are Free, you must have access to zoom to join them. Contact [kilrush@clarelibrary.ie](mailto:kilrush@clarelibrary.ie) or 065 9051504 to get the zoom link. A Healthy Ireland at Your Library event.

**Clare Roots Society** commence their 2026 series of lectures at 7:30pm on Thursday the 15th of January at the Clare Education Centre, Kilrush Road, Ennis, V95F782. Lecture Title: Finding Ogle: The Mystery of the Disappearing Workhouse Master by David Broderick

**Shannon Airport to Medjugorje** – May 20<sup>th</sup>, 2026 - €845 per person sharing. Price increases to €895 after Jan 30<sup>th</sup>. Full religious programme operated by Marian Pilgrimages Medjugorje Team. Bookings for this seven night pilgrimage can be made by contacting Kathleen and Jimmy Morris on 061 362657 or 086 3271657.

**Grow Mental Health-** Friendly Community based groups for anyone experiencing mental health issues by empowering people to nurture their positive wellbeing by supporting personal growth through education, peer support and self-teaching. Ennis Meeting- Maria Assumpta Hall. Monday 7.30pm/Tuesday 2pm. Contact Celia 086-1526966/grow.ie

Newmarket on Fergus Parish	Sixmilebridge Parish	Shannon Parish
<p><b>Mass Intentions</b>  <b>Sat. 10th Jan. 6pm Newmarket:</b>  Pauline Taylor, Anna-Mary, Paddy &amp; Noel Dillon, Martin &amp; Josephine Ward &amp; deceased family, Bridget Coffey, Mary &amp; Tom Frawley &amp; deceased family members. Alice Gleeson.  <b>Sun. 11th Jan. 9am Carrigerry:</b>  Mick &amp; Mary Casey  <b>Sun. 11th Jan. 10.30am Wells:</b> John Kelly  <b>Sat. 17th Jan. 6pm Newmarket:</b>  Paddy Coughlin, Maureen Meehan, Seamus Collins, Raymond &amp; Mary Walker, Mary, John &amp; Patrick Conroy, Jane, Seán &amp; Pauline Conroy.  <b>Sun. 18th Jan. 9am Carrigerry:</b>  John Mc Bride, Months Mind  <b>Sun. 18th Jan. 10.30am Wells:</b>  David Mc Cabe, 1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary.  Kevin O'Callaghan.</p> <p><b>Parish Records in 2025 recorded the following:</b> Baptisms – 36.  Confirmation – 65. Marriage – 12.  Deaths – 43</p> <p><b>Ballycar National School</b> wish to invite all parents and families who wish to enrol their child in our mainstream Junior Infant class starting in September 2026 to please visit our school website <a href="http://ballycars.ie">ballycars.ie</a> or email the school on <a href="mailto:ballycars@gmail.com">ballycars@gmail.com</a> for all relevant admissions and enrolment forms and policies. Please contact the school on 061 368852 with any queries or questions.  Parents who wish to enrol their child in a mainstream class if transferring from another school are also advised to contact the school as soon as possible to begin the enrolment and admissions process.</p> <p><b>Enrolment for Scoil na Maighdine Mhuire:</b>  Scoil na Maighdine Mhuire, Newmarket on Fergus will be holding an Open Night on February 17th 2026 @ 7 pm. This evening is for parents who wish to enrol their child for the upcoming school year September 2026. Please contact the school on 06136833 or e mail at <a href="mailto:office@smmnof.com">office@smmnof.com</a> for more information or to express your interest in attending on the night.</p> <p><b>Church Collection:</b>  Thank you for your generous contribution to the parish collection last weekend. The amount was €1544.25</p>	<p><b>Mass Intentions</b>  <b>Sat. 10th Jan 7.30pm</b>  Tim &amp; Martha Kearney,  Andy Callinan  <b>Sun. 11th Jan 9am</b> Kilmurry,  Kitty &amp; Mick O'Connell  <b>12.00 Noon</b> Anthony McNamara</p> <p><b>Sat. 17th Jan. 7.30pm</b>  Joe &amp; Maura McInerney,  John Kelly</p> <p><b>Parish Records in 2025 recorded the following:</b>  Baptisms - 35. Confirmation - 48  Marriages - 5 Deaths - 30</p> <p><b>Prayers &amp; Sympathies to..</b>  Kathleen Markham &amp; John Liddy on the death of their sister  Anne Lennon (nee Liddy), in U.S.A.  Micheal Grace Kilcornan, on the death of his sister  May Grace in U.K.</p> <p><b>G.A.A. Club Lotto:</b> Numbers 2, 7, 14, 28 <b>Jackpot €20,000</b></p> <p><b>Exercise Classes</b> for over 55's resume on Jan.16th in Sixmilebridge GAA Hall 10 am.  Call John 087 6666927</p> <p><b>Sixmilebridge/Kilmurry Community Games AGM</b> will take place on Tuesday Jan.13th @ 8pm in Cappa Lodge GAA meeting room. New members welcome.</p> <p><b>45 Drive</b> in aid of Sixmilebridge St. Patrick's Day Parade Sunday 11th January @ 6 p.m. at Greyhound Bar Sixmilebridge</p> <p><b>Prayer for the Coming Week</b>  Thank You, Lord, for this past week and for life, and for our many blessings. So we are asking You to go before us this coming week., Be our guide should situations make us wonder which way to turn. As each day passes on this week, Lord, Bless us with Your strength ... Your joy ... and please keep us under Your watchful eye the entire week, ever ready to help us and to offer us comfort. In Jesus' name. Amen.</p>	<p><b>Mass Intentions</b>  <b>Sat. 10th Jan. SS John &amp; Paul 6.30pm</b>  Gemma Sheehan (MM), Cinton Daly  <b>Sun. 11th Jan. Mary Immaculate 10.30am</b>  Kathleen Hodges (1st A), Olive Crowley, Patrick Hourigan, Mary O'Carroll, Bety Scullion.</p> <p><b>Sat. 17th Jan. Mary Immaculate 11 am</b>  Martin O'Shea  <b>Sat. 17th Jan. SS John &amp; Paul 6.30pm</b>  Lourda Collopy (MM), Noel Courtney, Marie Killeen, Martin &amp; Jason Mullane, Joseph Haugh, Darren McCarthy, Michael Ryan.  <b>Sun. 18th Jan. Mary Immaculate 10.30 am.</b>  Paddy Purcell (MM), Ellen Ferns (1st A), Mary Purcell  <b>Sun. 18th Jan. SS John &amp; Paul 12 Noon.</b>  Jim O'Sullivan (1st A), Jim &amp; Nono O'Brien</p> <p><b>Also remembering;</b> Roger Bevan, Frank &amp; Eileen Clarke, John Driscoll, John Fleming, Tom Kinane &amp; Bernard Shortt.</p> <p><b>Prayers &amp; Sympathies to ..</b> The Meaney family, on the death of Joe Meaney, Finian Park. The Doherty family on the death of Kay Doherty, Shannon &amp; Feakle. The Bryan family, on the death of Francis Bryan, Tradaree Court. The Hanley family on the death of Ada Hanley, Corrib Drive. The O'Brien family on the death of Maura O'Brien, Tradaree Court. The Callaghan family, on the death of Eileen Callaghan, Foyle Park. The Murphy family, on the death of Angela Murphy, Tradaree Court. The Cushley family, on the death of Michael Cushley, Tullyglass Court. Eamon Donegan on the death of his sister Geraldine Nolan, Wicklow. Tony Mulcahy on the death of his mother Noreen Mulcahy, Newcastle West. <b>May they Rest in Peace.</b></p> <p><b>Last Sunday's Collection</b> €1,770. Thank you for your continued support and great generosity.</p> <p><b>Sanctuary lamps</b> are available for €25. Donations can be left into the Sacristy or Parish Office with your intentions list. Donors intentions this week are for Dorothy &amp; Eddie O'Hare.</p> <p><b>Eucharistic Ministers &amp; Readers.</b> There will be a blessing of Readers &amp; Eucharistic Ministers on Monday Jan 26th @ 7pm in SS John &amp; Paul Church. Readers will be able to collect their Missals if they haven't done so already and pyxes will be given to each Eucharistic Minister on the night.</p>

*"Hope is Reaching out for God, and knowing He is there.  
Hope is Searching for release, and finding it in Prayer"*