

Tradaree Pastoral Area Newsletter

Fifth Sunday of Easter - May 3rd 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

Parish Offices



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 noon

Newsletter Deadline: Please note that the deadline for items to be included in the newsletter is Wednesday 12 Noon

We pray for the repose of the souls of two of our Diocesan Priests who have gone to their eternal home last week.

Fr. Seamus Mullin P.E. and Fr. Michael McLoughlin P.E.
Both from Críocha Callan Pastoral Area. **May they Rest in Peace**

National Epilepsy Week 2026 18th May - 25th May www.epilepsy.ie/content/national-epilepsy-week-2026-epilepsyweek.

Shannon Airport to Medjugorje: May 20th to May 27th 2026 is €895 pps. Operated by Marian Pilgrimages Medjugorje Team.
Contact Kathleen and Jimmy Morris on **086 3271657**.

Lough Derg Three Day Pilgrimage in the tradition of prayer, fasting & Vigil Friday 29th May - Saturday 15th August. Adm. €85

One Day Retreat a day of guided prayer & reflection Adm €50
May: 3rd, 4th, 9th, 12th, 27th, 23rd, 25th. **August:** 18th, 22nd, 23rd, 29th, 31st. **September:** 5th, 6th, 9th, 12th, 15th, 19th 20th.

QUIET DAY Friday 22nd May & Friday 11th September. Adm €40

HERITAGE DAY Thursday 20th August 11.30 am + 2.30 p.m.

LAKESHORE PILGRIMAGE Pilgrim Path Sun. 30th August. Adm. €25
Booking essential Sanctuary of St. Patrick - Lough Derg, Pettigo, Donegal F94 PC60. info@loughderg.org 071 9861518

Anam Cara Galway, monthly **Parent Support Evening for bereaved parents on Wednesday 6th May at 7.30pm in the Maldron Hotel, Headford Point, Sandy Road, Galway.** Also offer online support group meeting. Call 01 4045378 or email info@anamcara.ie

Would you be willing to provide companionship to an older person locally? **ALONE** are seeking Visitation and Telephone volunteers in your area. Full training and support provided. If interested, please apply via the ALONE website at www.alone.ie/volunteer or for further information please contact Aoife Dennehy on 086-0120221 or via email Aoife.dennehy@alone.ie

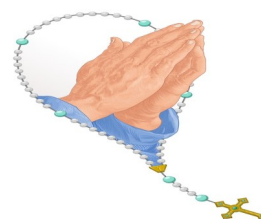
May - The Month of Our Lady

May is the month we dedicate to our Blessed Mother Mary, we ask for her protection and for the grace to imitate her in her love of Christ, and Christ in His love of her. As the Mother of Christ, she is our Mother, too, and we look to her for guidance as we look to our Mothers on earth.

Mother of Mercy, Look upon our troubled World and Heal us with your Loving Kindness

Prayer to Our Blessed Mother

Take my hand, O Blessed Mother
Hold me firmly lest I fall,
I am nervous when I'm walking,
And to Thee I humbly call.
Guide me over every crossing,
Watch me when I'm on the stairs,
Let me know you are beside me,
Listen to my fervent prayer.
Bring me to my destination,
With you safely every day,
Help me with each undertaking
As the hours pass away.
And when evening falls upon me,
and I fear to be alone,
Take my hand O Blessed Mother
Please stay with me in my home.



Mass Intentions

Newmarket-on-Fergus

Sat 2nd May: 6pm: Newmarket: Treasa de Paor (1st A). Kay and Jack Meere. Michael Grogan.

Sat 9th May: 11 am: Carrigerry: First Holy Communion for Stonehall National School

Sat 9th May: 6pm: Newmarket: Gerry Commane. John Joe and Alice Lynch and deceased members of the Lynch family

Sun 10th May: 9am: Carrigerry: Seán Liddy and his parents Tom and Josie

Recent Deaths: Pray for the repose of the souls of Denis O'Sullivan, brother of Claire O'Connell, Main Street and Tony Gorman, brother of Bill, Ralahine. May they rest in peace.

Congratulations to the boys & girls of Scoil na Maighdine Mhuire who received their First Holy Communion this weekend

Sixmilebridge

Sat. 2nd May 7.30 p.m. John Walsh

Sun. 3rd May 12 Noon: Gerard Wallace

Sat. 9th May 7.30 p.m. Mary & Michael O'Donoghue, deceased members of the O'Flynn Family.

Sun. 10th May 12 Noon. Michael Ryan (Months Mind) Sean O'Connell (Months Mind) , Brigid and John Begley.

Recent Death: We pray for the repose of the soul of Ita Cusack (nee Corbett), Ballyliddane, and Sacristan Little Church, who died last weekend. R.I.P. We extend our sympathy to all her family.

Shannon

Fri. 1st May 7pm SS J&P: Tommy Condron

Sat. 2nd May 6.30pm SS J&P: Margaret Canny, Jerry Walsh.

Sun. 3rd May 10.30am M.I.: Garry Coleman (MM), Margaret Browne and Frances Birchall

Sun. 3rd May 12 noon SS J&P: James Johnston (MM), Tess Barry, John and Mary Golden and Joe Golden, Dan and Roseanne Breen.

Fri. 8th May 7pm SS J&P: Lucy O'Brien

Sat. 9th May 4pm SS J&P :Tommy Hehir Memorial Mass and (MM)

Sat. 9th May 6.30pm SS J&P : Elizabeth Normoyle

Sun 10th May 10.30am M.I.: Jean Murphy

Sun 10th May 12 noon SS J&P: Edward O'Riordan, Eamonn Carroll (1st A)

We extend our prayers and sympathies to the friends and families of : William Buckley and Seamus McEvoy May they rest in peace.

Up Coming Feast Days in May

May 1 – Saint Joseph the Worker

May 3 – Saints Philip and James, Apostles

May 14 Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord

May 17 – Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord

May 25 Saint Bede the Venerable

May 26 – Saint Philip Neri, Priest

May 27 – Saint Augustine of Canterbury

May 31 – Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary



Parish Notes

Newmarket-on-Fergus

Church Cleanup evenings: Our Lady of the Wells: Due to the consistent drop from trees and shrubs at the boundaries of the Wells Church we wish to invite volunteers to sweep around the church and outside the gate area. If you have an hour to spare and wish to help, please come along. Volunteers should bring suitable garden appliances as the church does not have a supply of same.

First meet up will take place on Tues. 12th May at 7pm.

Our Lady of the Rosary: Pre confirmation cleanup is planned for Tues. 19th May: 7pm. We welcome our usual hosts of volunteers with their hoovers & brushes. New volunteers are always welcome.

Rosary at the grotto will continue for the month of May. Avondale at 4pm and at the Statue in Glencragga at 4.45pm during the month of May. All welcome.

Parish Office will be closed Monday & Tuesday 4th & 5th May

Church Collections: We wish to thank you for your generosity to our parish collections each week. Last weekend's collection realised €1495.35

Our annual Darkness Into Light event will take place on Saturday May 9th at 4.15am. We will hold a registration evening on Tuesday May 5th in the GAA clubhouse from 6.30-8pm where a limited number of tshirts will also be available. You can register now on www.darknessintolight.ie We welcome any volunteers across the parish including community groups who would like to help in any way to contact us on newmarketonfergus@darknessintolight.ie

Sixmilebridge

Eucharistic Ministers next week Team D

Sixmilebridge G.A.A. Lotto: 2 23 30 33 **Jackpot:** €19,200

Shannon

Last Sunday's collection was €1713. We thank you as always for your generosity.

Active Agers group fitness classes for adults aged 55+ starting in Tullyvarraga Community Hall, Shannon on Wed. May 13th at 9:30am. Contact Noel Collins on 0858636296

Club na Sionna monthly session of music and song in Wolfe Tones GAA Wed. 6th May '26 @ 9pm. All singers, musicians and listeners welcome. Special guests Mickey Dunne & Dave Simms.

Shannon Library will celebrate Bealtaine, Ireland's national festival of the arts and ageing, with a trad music session on Fri. 8th May at 3.30pm. Art pieces by clients of Carrigoran Daycare Centre will also be on display for the month of May.

The Irish Red Cross Clare will hold their annual Church Gate Collection on Saturday 2nd and Sunday 3rd May at all Parish Churches in Shannon. All funds raised are in aid of a New Ambulance to Support the People of Co. Clare.

Adoration and Prayer hour of the Blessed Sacrament and Prayer for priests again this Sat. 9th (Second Saturday of the Month) from 9:15am to 10:15am in the Adoration Chapel, Shannon. Please come along and join us in prayer for our Bishops and Priests " Best wishes to the pupils from **St. Tola's School** who will make their **Confirmation** on Thurs/ May 7th and also the pupils from **St. Senans and St. Johns** who will receive their **First Holy Communion** on Saturday 9th of May.