



Sixmilebridge + Kilmurry Parish Newsletter

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Parish Office

Mon - Fri. 10.00 a.m. - 12.00 Noon
For Booking of Masses, Baptisms & Weddings.

Baptisms take place at 12.00 Noon on Sundays in Sixmilebridge + Kilmurry

We extend our sympathy to Vera O'Donoghue, Shannon Road, on the death of her mother **Nora Hehir** in Charleville.

We remember all our loved ones and especially those whose anniversaries occur at this time. **May they Rest in Peace**

Sat. 27th	7.00 p.m.	Theresa Quinn John Kelly Tom O'Callaghan Jim Egan Willie Chaplin Peggy Cullinan
Sun. 28th	11.00 a.m.	Brigid Begley Wallace + Hoban Families R.I.P.
Fri. 3rd	7.00 p.m.	Seamus McEvoy
Sat. 4th	7.00 p.m.	John Quane



Mass times this week:

Mon + Fri 7pm. Tues. Area Gathering. Wed+Thurs 10.00 a.m.

Lourdes Diocesan Pilgrimage: Bishop Kieran O'Reilly SMA will lead this year's Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes from June 26th to 1st July. Booking details available on the Killaloe Diocese website. www.killaloe-diocese.ie

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine: The annual Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock will take place on Sunday 7th July. Save the date – specific details will be announced at a later date
Pilgrimage to Rome, Assisi & San Giovannirotondo 25th SEPTEMBER - 2nd OCTOBER 2013. Contact: Mary Kelly @ 065-6835519 or pilgrimages abroad office @ 01-635 9300.

MEDJUGORGE IRISH CENTRE MAY PILGRIMAGE

A few places still available on 13th May Pilgrimage €575. For full details phone 00442882241888

Fr. Harry will visit the sick and housebound during the week. Friday next is First Friday in May.

HANDING ON THE FAITH

The last three Saturdays 140 young people received either First Communion or Confirmation in our parish. They were very special occasions for them, their families, their teachers and indeed for all of us. The children prepared well. In the course of these preparations they were taught and encouraged to keep Jesus and His values at the centre of their lives. Being able to distinguish right from wrong, respecting and reverencing Sacred times (like Sunday mornings), Sacred places (like the Church - The house of God), telling the Truth are all vital for them.

We stressed, however, that we adults are challenged to create a home and community environment which will help them grow up guided by these values. Each human being has a body, mind, soul. Each one needs nourishment. There is a big emphasis now on physical development, mental growth but it is vital we do not neglect the spiritual - character building, shaped by decent values. We wish them all well as they move into this new stage of life for them. **Thanks to all who helped in any way.**

Congratulations! to children who received First Holy Communion this weekend.

Luke Bannon, Darragh Custy, Conor Gilligan,
 Jack Holloway, Emelia McErlain,
 Finn McNamara, Cian Johnson,
 Evan Neenan, Nicole Neenan, Amy Northey
 Lucy Quinlivan, Odhrán Conway, Tom Forde,
 Adam Holloway, Gavin McMahon, Alex Muldoon,
 Gary O'Callaghan, Rhys Slater.

Just a reminder ...

Trócaire boxes are now due to be returned.

Sixmilebridge GAA Club Lotto:

Numbers drawn were 7 14 18 20
 Jackpot next Monday night is **€12,000**

AREA GATHERING

Next Tuesday evening we have the first of our Area Gatherings for this year. It is on May Eve and on Pat Meehan's farm. The preparations are underway for the past few weeks. Everything of significance to the local communities—past and present—will be documented. We have already signalled the beauty of the site - where we can see down to Kerry, up to Galway - **only God could create something so beautiful.** We will bless everyone including animals, land, food. We will allow the experience to connect us to nature, to supernature, to one another. We will have song, story, music, chat - food to eat and tea to drink. **ALL ARE WELCOME.** For those who don't know where the site is - Take the road across from the Pumphouse Pub, Kilmurry and it's only a few 100 yards from there.

Sixmilebridge-Kilmurry Community Games Athletics Field Day (U6-U16), SMB GAA Field, Sunday 28th April. Registration from 2pm for 2:30pm start. €2 per child per event.

Local Drama: The 'Living Scenes' Transition Year students and adult friends of St. Joseph's Secondary School Tulla are taking to the stage in Tulla Courthouse on Tues. May 7th at 8pm. The comedy sketch "**Thanks - I did it my way**" is written by Nora Sheehan from Sixmilebridge. Admission is free, with a raffle on the night. All are welcome.

Worried about Cyber Bullying? - Suicide Prevention talk in St. Joseph's Secondary School Tulla for adults on Monday 29th April at 7.30 p.m.

Clare County Council is asking voluntary groups/ volunteers who visit people in vulnerable households to identify homes where there are no smoke alarms (for example; the elderly, people with disabilities, lone parents and unemployed persons). Contact 065 6846571

Parish Safeguarding Children Rep. Mary Corbett has been appointed new rep for Sixmilebridge. She replaces Frances Downes. We thank Frances for all her help and wish Mary well in her new position.

Rota Next Weekend		Readers	Eucharistic Ministers	Altar Servers
Sat. 4th	7.00 p.m.	Tracey Pyne	C	A
Sun. 5th	10.00 a.m.	Tim Scanlon	Martina + Tom	A
Sun. 5th	11.00 a.m.	Margaret O'Connell	D	A