



Sixmilebridge + Kilmurry Parish Newsletter



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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

In Loving Memory

We pray for the repose of the souls of ...

Mike Swords R.I.P. Beechwood Grove, who died last weekend. We extend our sympathy to Johnny, Carmel, and their families, and all his relatives, friends and neighbours.

Nora Sheehan (nee Bourke) R.I.P. Lodge Road, who died during the week. We extend our sympathy, to Marelén, Joe, Lourda and their families, and all her relatives, friends and neighbours.

We also extend our sympathy to P.J. Fahy, Droichead na hAbhann, on the death of his brother Sean in Tulla. We remember all our loved ones and especially those whose anniversaries occur at this time. **R.I.P.**

Sat. 26th	7.00 p.m.	Jack + Bunny Nash Yez + Bar Family P.J. O'Loughlin
Sun. 27th	10.00 a.m.	Walsh Family
	11.00 a.m.	Sophia O'Connor Jim Tiernan
Fri. 1st		Christina McDonnell
Sun. 3rd	7.00 p.m.	All Saints + All Souls
	11.00 a.m.	Tony Spring.

Mass times: Tuesday - Thursday 10 a.m. Friday 7 p.m.

Our Annual Remembrance Mass will be celebrated in Sixmilebridge Parish Church this year on **Next Friday November 1st at 7.00 p.m.** We remember all our loved ones and especially all those who have gone to their eternal home in the last 12 months.

Blessing of Graves: Next Saturday November 2nd.
 Ballysheen 12 Noon: Feenagh 12.45 p.m. Kilmurry 1.15 p.m.

Thank You! Aoife and Lily thank everyone who contributed last weekend to their collection for the **Hope Foundation.**

Interesting Facts

The following are a few statistics revealed during the week about a changing Irish population. In 2008 in the Republic: 61,016 babies were born - the lowest figure since 2002 and a drop of 20% since the peak in 2009 when 75,554 babies were born. Despite the fall in births the population has increased to almost 5 million because of inward migration and longer life expectancy. Marriage rates have fallen to their lowest level since 1997. These and other statistics have implications for schools and for parishes.

Disturbing Facts

Another interesting fact and one which has serious implications for our area is to do with Shannon Airport. Even though it is the second largest Airport in the country, with a runway which can comfortably accommodate the largest commercial aircraft in the planet but according to a letter to the Irish Times on Tuesday last is only working at a third of its capacity. This is disappointing in view of the fact that an over busy Dublin Airport is now needing massive investment to meet the demands there. Shannon was to be the counter to the growth of Dublin. Why has the drift towards Dublin and away from the west of Ireland been allowed to continue? Molex - 48 years in Shannon. The announcement of its upcoming closure with the loss of 500 jobs came as a massive shock to the people who are losing their jobs and their families. It came also as a huge shock to the whole community. Lets hope these workers will be well looked after.

Sixmilebridge G.A.A. Club Lotto

Numbers Drawn
16, 19, 27, 32

Next Jackpot
€15,600

BINGO

14	29	38	52	74
4	18	33	46	62
7	16	★	60	71
9	27	44	51	67
12	23	35	47	73

Bank Holiday
Bumper
Bingo
Monday Night
8.45 p.m.
G.A.A. Hall

Halloween Movie at the Library: Thursday 31st October 3 pm. Movie Screening for children - Room on the Broom, based on best-selling children's picture book. Cert G. Free Event. All welcome. Children under 8 years old must be accompanied by an adult. Contact Library 061-369678.



Happy and Safe
 Halloween



Bishop Fintan, Bishop of Killaloe, released the following statement in response to the news of the closure of the Irish subsidiary of US multinational company Molex and the loss of 500 jobs:

"Like many others I heard with concern the news of the phased closure of the Irish subsidiary of Molex. The loss of 500 jobs is a devastating blow to employees in the Shannon region, their families and to the local economy. I was there last night and you could sense the cloud hanging over the workers.

"Shannon was created over 50 years ago and is a mixture of people from all over Ireland and many other nationalities. It is true however that Shannon Airport and the surrounding businesses have been struggling a lot in recent years and this has been covered extensively in the news.

"My concern is that we are living in a two-tier Ireland with the regions losing out. While the people of this region have great spirit and resilience, I am asking that special prayers be said at Masses throughout the Diocese of Killaloe this weekend. I ask that prayers be said for the intentions of the employees and for the prospect of future employment.

"I also ask that the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation, Ms Heather Humphreys, herself a rural TD, local politicians as well as the relevant State agencies, to prioritise our region in terms of sustaining employment opportunities for this skilled workforce.

"This shocking announcement not only directly affects Molex workers but, in addition, it jeopardises thousands of ancillary industries which rely for survival on the pay spend of these local workers.

"I would strongly urge our public representatives to continue to seek a commitment from government to assist these workers by every means possible between now and when the plant closes at the end of 2020."

Rota Next Weekend			Readers	Eucharistic Ministers	Altar Servers
Sat.	2nd	7.30 p.m.	Tracey	C	A
Sun.	3rd	10.00 a.m.	Aoife	Carmel/Margaret	B
Sun.	3rd	11.00 a.m.	David	C	A