



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 soul of **Mick O'Shea R.I.P.** Limerick Road, who died last weekend. We extend our sympathy to all his family, friends and neighbours.

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

Fri. 12th	7.00 p.m.	Sr. Mary Nash
Sat. 13th	7.00 p.m.	Mary + Michael O'Donoghue Gerard Hughes
Sun. 14th	10.00 a.m.	Betty Devanney
	11.00 a.m.	John + Bridget Begley
Fri. 19th	7.00 p.m.	Dansy Reddan
Sat. 20th	7.00 p.m.	Timmy Kearney Frank McAuley Noel Murphy

Eucharistic Ministers: Sixmilebridge next weekend.
Saturday Team A Sunday Team D

Exam Mass at Knock Shrine: For all students preparing for exams and their families. Take some time out from your studies for a quiet moment to ask for God's strength and guidance as you move through your exam period.

All Ireland Rosary Rally in Knock

The All Ireland Rosary Rally will take place on Saturday June 3rd from 1pm in Knock. A bus will leave from Ennis. Please book your seat early to avoid disappointment. Ring Seamus: 087 2752578

The Clare 250 Cancer Centre Coffee Day takes place at the centre on Saturday the 20th of May from 10am to 4pm. All are welcome and proceeds will help the Clare 250 Lourdes Pilgrimage to take place this September.

Sr. Mary Nash R.I.P.

Sr. Mary worked in our Parish from 2006 - 2013 and will be laid to rest next weekend in Swansea. This Friday night Mass is being offered for the repose of her gentle soul.

Sr. Mary's favourite story was always about ..

The Oyster and the Pearl

There once was an oyster, whose story I tell,
 Who found that some sand had got into his shell.
 It was only a grain, but it gave him great pain.
 For oysters have feelings, although they're so plain.

Now, did he berate the harsh workings of fate
 That had brought him to such a deplorable state?
 Did he curse at the government, cry for election,
 And claim that the sea should have give him protection?

'No.' he said to himself as he lay on a shell,
 Since I cannot remove it, I shall try to improve it.
 Now the years have rolled around, as the years always do,
 And he came to his ultimate destiny stew.

And this small grain of sand that had bothered him so
 was a beautiful pearl all richly aglow.
 Now the tale has a moral, for isn't it grand
 What an oyster can do with a morsel of sand?
 What couldn't we do if we'd only begin
 With some of the things that get under our skin

A Pearl is formed when a grain of sand slips in between the mantle and the shell of an Oyster. This creates an irritation to the mantle, and to protect itself, the Oyster then carefully coats with mother-of-pearl - a mineral substance that's used to create the shell. Eventually with enough layers, a beautiful Pearl forms.

Oysters that make Pearls are God's way of showing us why we have difficulties in our lives. It is only by facing the irritants of life and creatively overcoming hardships that we, like Pearls, can grow.

Although it's true that God's love shines down unconditionally upon each and every Soul, whether it is ready to serve the Creator or not, we become valuable as co-workers with God once we have learned to overcome obstacles. That is because we can only identify and empathise with others who are going through pain after we have experienced it for ourselves. Our service to God is our service to Life, whether it other people, other animals, or the natural environment.

Sixmilebridge G.A.A. Club Lotto:

Numbers drawn 4 9 22 24 **New Jackpot €7,200**

Reed Bed Sewage System in Kilmurry - What is it and how does it work?

Kilmurry Tidy Towns are holding an information evening about the sewage system on **Tuesday 16th May at 7pm in Kilmurry Hall.**

This event is open to all and will be led by **Féidhlim Harty** - Director of FH Wetlands Systems who designed the system in the village. All are welcome.

A huge thank you to all who supported the Wool Fair/Pop up Shop in Kilmurry Hall recently. Collection on the day was €520 and this amount will be going to the Red Cross in aid of the survivors of the Turkey/Syria Earthquake. **Mille Buiochas.**

Another chance to avail of this **FREE** two hour hands on life skill course presented by a qualified First Responder with the Irish Heart Foundation

"Hands-For-Life" Course. Kilmurry Hall - Wednesday 17th May - 7pm.

It will cover C.P.R., Defibrillator use and early intervention in Cardiac Arrest, Heart Attack, Stroke and Choking after which you will be competent in the **basic elements of first-response and sustaining life until the arrival of paramedics.** Most first responders to a medical emergency are family members. **With basic "Cardiac First Responder" skills, you may save the life of a loved one.**

If you are interested in a more advanced First-Aid course, this will be arranged upon completion of the basic "Hands for Life" course.

There is no charge for this course and it is available to all teenagers and adults. A voluntary contribution of €5.00 will go towards overheads.

If you and/or family member wish to attend, please text your name to 087 69 333 00

Clare Blood Donation Clinic's West County Hotel Ennis

Monday 15th & Tuesday 16th May 4:50 - 8:10 p.m.

Oakwood Hotel Shannon

Wednesday 17th & Thursday 18th May 4:00 - 7:20p.m.

Both clinics welcome New & Existing Donors.
 Please call 1800 222 111 to book an appointment