

SHRULE & GLENCORRIB PARISH NEWSLETTER – SUNDAY 16th OCTOBER 2022

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The parable of the persistent widow

29th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (YEAR C) MASS DATES, TIMES & INTENTIONS

After more than two thousand years of Christianity, approximately 2/3 of the world's population have not yet heard of Jesus Christ. The Apostles had the responsibility of spreading the Good News. Jesus said to them "Go into the whole world and preach the gospel to all creation. He who has believed and has been baptized shall be saved; but he who has not believed shall be condemned" We are experiencing a huge demise of many cultural social and religious values, often referred to in the media as the 'dying of our traditional standards', all of which is reflective of our religious beliefs that haunt us as we journey in life. In some culture and it is true of other religious denominations there are special occasions devoted to the remembrance of the dead, usually conducted during their harvest feast season in large numbers travelling long distances to be present at the graves of their ancestors. As we prepare for the month of November which is regarded as the month of the Holy Souls we commend the souls of all our departed to the mercy of God.

ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH, SHRULE - Dedicated 1832

Sat	15 th Oct	8.00 pm	Nigel Dooley , Cloonamealtogue Pauline O'Dea and Paddy & Mary Kate O'Dea , Curramore	24 th Anniv 7 th Anniv & deceased
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Sun	16 th Oct	11.00 am	Missa Pro Populo – Mass for the people of the parish	
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Daily MASS as usual this week – Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday @ 9.30am

Fri	21 st Oct	7.00 pm	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament – 7pm to 7.55pm	
		8.00 pm	Mass	
Sat	22 nd Oct	8.00 pm	Mass	
Sun	23 rd Oct	11.00 am	Mass	

CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, GLENCORRIB - Dedicated 1876

Sat	15 th Oct	6.30 pm	Mick, Tom & Mary Mohan & deceased relatives, Ballynalty	19 th , 33 rd & 14 th Anniv & deceased
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Sun	16 th Oct	9.30 am	Tommy Joe Donohue , Woodpark & Ballynalty Seamus & Eileen Flood , Ballynalty	7 th Anniv 3 rd & 2 nd Anniv
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		3.00 pm	Sunday Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament – 3pm to 4pm	
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Wed	19 th Oct	10.10 am	Mass	
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		7.00 pm	Mass	
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Sat	22 nd Oct	6.30 pm	Mary Biggins , her father Tommy Biggins and the deceased members of the Biggins family , Wallpark and the Hyland family , Brodella	22 nd & 10 th Anniv & deceased
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HOMEBOUND & NURSING HOME: If you would like the priest to call or visit you or a family member in the parish or at a nursing home, please email the parish at parishofshrule3@gmail.com Please provide name of person, contact number and Eircode if homebound or name of person and nursing home. Homebound is termed as those who are unable to leave their home – this may be permanent or during winter or if they are ill or sick at the moment. Please note it is hoped shortly to begin communion for the homebound, where family members and/or neighbours will be invited to bring communion to the homebound during the week and/or at weekends.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK:

The tips of our thumbs have replaced the tips of our tongues.

And that's the way we talk to one another now. In touch without actually touching

Pat Ingoldsby (TV)

GLENCORRIB KILROE COMMUNITY CENTRE – NEWS: Congratulations to our community centre committees who have been successful in their €25,000 Community Centre Investment Fund Grant application with Pobal. The plan is to upgrade the current heating system, ducting, and ventilation. Insulation of cavity walls and to replace the existing external doors with new draft proof ones. We wish to thank all our committee members who worked day and night to get this application over the line. We also wish to thank Deputy Michael Ring TD, Deputy Hildegarde Naughton TD, the Minister for Rural and Community Development, Deputy Heather Humphreys TD and Cllr Michael Burke.

GRANT FUNDING



JUST A THOUGHT: There were times I'd put €10 worth of diesel in my car and other times €50. I've had €10 to just feed myself and I've also had €200 to go out to eat. I've had a house full of food and I didn't have any. I've been in stores cashing out with no worries and I've also had to add it up and put things back on the shelf. I've paid my bills in full and I've had to pay them late too. I've given money and I too have had to ask for it.

We all have highs and lows in life. Some certainly more than others, but we are all just trying to make it. No one is better than anyone else and my heart is sad for those people who think that they are. No matter how big your house is, how new your car is, or how much money sits in your bank account, death has no discrimination and neither should your life. Therefore, be kind to others. We are all here to serve. Be humble. Stay humble.

BIRTHDAY WISHES

Wishing **Teresa Davin**, St, Mary's Road, Shrule a very Happy 90th Birthday. She celebrated her special day on Friday last with family and friends. She is truly the **Queen of St. Mary's Road**, Shrule. Congratulations Teresa, you're looking so well.



Best wishes from everyone in the parish ☺



MISSION SUNDAY SPECIAL COLLECTION FOR MISSIONS:

Sunday next 23rd October is World Mission Sunday!

Pope Francis is inviting you and every Catholic worldwide to come together in celebration of World Mission Sunday. On this very special day every Church, in every parish across our globe are invited to give what they can, no matter how little, towards the World Mission Sunday collection. Through your prayers and contributions, you show your appreciation the dedication of our missionaries, many who are Irish and even from our community, who live and work in some of the world's most impoverished and remote communities. Your contribution will be used to help spread the Gospel of faith, hope and love by supporting overseas missionaries. YOU contribute to the transforming work of missionaries overseas with your support and generosity. Please use the special envelope provided in your box of envelopes for this special collection, or otherwise, please make your contribution in a sealed envelope marked 'Mission Sunday, Special Collection'. Thank you for your generosity, kindness and support in these difficult times to those less fortunate.



29th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



WOULD YOU LIKE TO BECOME MORE INVOLVED IN THE PARISH?

If you are interested, please call into the sacristy after Mass or during parish office opening hours or email parishofshrule3@gmail.com Thank You **PARISH VOLUNTEERS** We are presently reorganising some of our teams of Volunteers many of which were "scuttled" by Covid. We welcome new involvement as well as thanking those faithful people who have helped us out over the past two years. Working together we can achieve a lot!



SHRULE & DISTRICT VINTAGE CLUB

will have a **Harvest Social** in **Cradock's Bar, Shrule on Friday 28th October.** Music by Matt Keane. Entry is €5 and there will be a raffle & spot prizes on the night.

PLEASE REMEMBER WITH A PRAYER THOSE WHO DIED ON THIS WEEK IN FORMER YEARS

Surname	Christian	Village	Date Died	Age	Cemetery
Raftery	Michael A.	Shrule	15/10/1993	85	Shrule
Garvey	Pauline	Shrule	15/10/2019	79	Shrule
Carroll	Anna	Cruchfadha	16/10/1926	46	Shrule
Farragher	Brigid	New Ballynalty	16/10/1930	67	Kille
O'Brien	Patrick	Gurteen	16/10/1940	26	Shrule
Donoghue	Tommy Joe	Woodpark	16/10/2015	54	Moyne
Flood	Seamus	Ballynalty	16/10/2019	87	Cross
Hynes	James	Mount Henry	17/10/1953	77	Killursa
Duddy	Mary	Boherbee	18/10/1928	90	Shrule
Dooley	Patrick	Cloonbanane	18/10/1935	59	Shrule
Monahan	Michael	Toorard	18/10/1947	43	Moyne
Flaherty	Anthony Gabriel	Brodella	18/10/1956	15 days	Shrule
Gray	Feargal	Dalgan	18/10/1987	2	Shrule
Dooley	James	Cloonbanane	19/10/1956	56	Shrule
Muldoon	Patrick	St. Mary's Road	19/10/1981	73	Shrule
O'Hara	Anne	Shrule	20/10/1926	95	Shrule
Conroy	Patrick	Badgerfort	20/10/1967	91	Shrule
McGath	Francis	Lakeview	20/10/1981	70	Shrule
Dooley	Mary	Cahernabruck	21/10/1926	21	
Meenaghan	Thomas	Churchpark	21/10/1972	75	Shrule
Prendergast	Patrick	Shrule	21/10/1974	55	Shrule
McTigue	Paul	Kille	21/10/1998	67	Shrule
Connor	Patrick	Shrule	22/10/1920	95	Shrule
Walsh	Edward	Glasbally	22/10/1926	19	Shrule
Biggins	Margaret	Dalgan Park	22/10/1982		Shrule
Biggins	Mary	Old Ballynalty	22/10/2000	27	Moyne
Grogan	Margaret (Lil)	Cathair Aird.	22/10/2014	99	Shanganagh
Lawless	Pat	Wakefield	23/10/1930	89	Shrule
Davin	Brigid	Carheen	23/10/1945	71	Shrule
Murphy	Nora	Brodella	23/10/1987		Shrule
Ennis	Cormac	Claremorris	23/10/1991	69	Moyne
Ryan	Julia	Brodella	23/10/1992	83	Shrule

PLEASE REMEMBER WITH A PRAYER THE RECENTLY DECEASED:



Bridget Maguire (née Shannon), Dalgan Road, Shrule. Funeral Mass for Bridget took place at St Joseph's Church, Shrule on Wednesday last 12th October. RIP



Pearl Gunning, Shrule. Pearl passed away on Thursday last 13th October peacefully in Mayo Hospice, Castlebar, after a long illness. RIP

Norbert Hanley, Mount-nugent, Co. Cavan. Husband of the late Margie Hanley



nee Hennelly, formerly of Toorard and brother in law of Jimmy Hennelly, Rostaff. Funeral Mass for Norbert takes place at St. Mary's Church, Castlerahan this weekend Sunday 16th October 2022. RIP.

SOLAS FAMILY RESOURCE CENTRE, HEADFORD will be holding their annual Church Gate Collection in Shrule and Glencorrib on the weekend of the **29th & 30th October 2022**. The money will help provide essential services and programmes in the community such as Counselling, Play Therapy, Meals on Wheels, Dementia Café and many more. Your support will be much appreciated.

IN OUR ONLINE NEWSLETTER read the excellent Draft Vision for Community Wellbeing for our region in Mayo for This and Future Generations. Plus many other items of interest.

THE CHURCH HAS STILL-VITAL ROLE. In the face of appalling suffering, secularism fades away and we turn toward a humble, loving church for comfort.



In these dark days of the soul when we struggle to speak of the death of five people from our own parish community in the past two weeks alone and also the loss of lives in the terrible tragedy in Creeslough, priests have had no choice but to find the words. For theirs is the requirement to be wise amid grief. Theirs is the task to be with the bereaved families; to gather the stories of those who have been loved and lost for retelling in their funeral homilies. Theirs is the duty to parishioners to stay strong.

Post-Catholic Ireland shows that a loving church retains a special place in our parish community. Since we heard that Patsy Murphy was in hospital towards the end of August, prayers and candles were lit in churches in various parts of the country. Our churches nowadays are tender-hearted as the new personal church has replaced the cruel institutional church of the past. When we experience the loss of a dear family member, there is the initial shock of it all. Then letting people know. Panic strikes us. But I have to say from experience that I have extreme gratitude to the church for introducing us to rituals and the sense of the sacred when our lives are in turmoil.

Since Mary Delia Mullin passed away on 27th September, we have had four church funerals in the parish. Those four families have had Fr. Vivian at their side all the way. He had restored faith in the power of the personal church more than any pope or bishop could hope to achieve. He has done it with candour and care, displacing the image of a cold authoritarian institution with the face of humanity. He has been a pillar of this parish whose role is to serve God and his parishioners. Then he goes home, shuts the door behind him, he is on his own. Say thanks to him when you meet him.

WEEKEND MASS - SCHEDULE REVIEW

Over the next number of weeks, there will be a count will be taken of numbers attending weekend Masses. Currently, there are 4 Masses celebrated at the weekend – Saturday vigils 6.30pm Glencorrib and 8pm Shrule and on Sunday 9:30am Glencorrib and 11am Shrule. It is no longer possible to ignore the low attendance at some of the Masses as well as the challenges in getting volunteers. Over the next number of weeks there will be a review if this number of Mass are any longer necessary. The primary way in which this will be explored is gauging the level of attendance at each Mass, and if there are sustainable numbers to justify scheduling Mass at that time. This would mean a Mass or Masses no longer be scheduled, with relevant Mass intentions transferred to other Masses.



AUTUMN DUES ENVELOPES are now available at the back of the church for those who do not use the envelope system. If you are using the envelopes available at church, and are planning to apply for charity tax rebate, please write your name and envelope number on envelope. Thank You for Your Continuing Support

IN NOVEMBER, WE REMEMBER THEM
They are not gone from us, but gone before us.
NOVEMBER NOVENA FOR THE HOLY SOULS
Envelopes are now available in churches for November Novena for the Holy Souls. Please return envelopes during church collection at weekend and/or via post office. Thank you. May the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen.

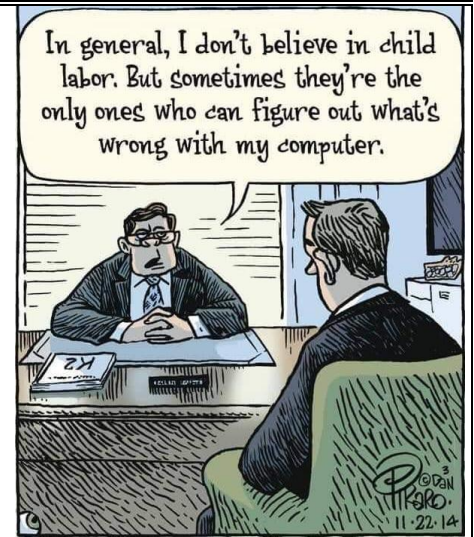
GLENCORRIB & DISTRICT CRAFT & UPCYCLING GROUP meets **every Thursday evening in Glencorrib Community Centre at 7pm.** ☎ Petrina 0876719950. All are welcome.

A LITTLE BIT OF HUMOUR:

Thieves who stole 3 tonne of tarmac have been in hiding now for the past 2 months. A Garda spokesman said "We are hoping they will resurface soon"
Aren't animals amazing. I just passed the hospital and there was a sign saying "Guard dogs operate at this hospital"

HELPFUL PRAYER:

Billy had been misbehaving and was sent to his room. After a while he emerged and informed his mother that he had thought it over and then said a prayer. "Fine", said the pleased mother. "If you ask God to help you not misbehave, He will help you." "Oh, I didn't ask Him to help me not misbehave," said Johnny. "I asked Him to help you put up with me."



THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK- WORDS TO LIVE BY: Prayer is not a "spare wheel" that you pull out when in trouble, but it is a "steering wheel" that directs the right path throughout.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK- WORDS TO LIVE BY:

- Why is a car's WINDSHIELD so large & the rear-view mirror so small? Because our PAST is not as important as our FUTURE. So, look ahead and move on.
- Friendship is like a BOOK. It takes years to write but it takes a few seconds to burn,.
- All things in life are temporary. If going well, enjoy it, they will not last forever. If going wrong, don't worry, they can't last long either.
- Often when we lose hope and think this is the end, GOD smiles from above and says, "Relax, my child, it's just a bend, not the end!"
- When GOD solves your problems, you have faith in HIS abilities; when GOD doesn't solve your problems, HE has faith in your abilities.
- A blind person asked St. Anthony: "Can there be anything worse than losing eye sight?" He replied: "Yes, losing your vision!"
- When you pray for others, God listens to you and blesses them, and sometimes, when you are safe and happy, remember that someone has prayed for you.
- Life is a coin, you can spend it anyway you wish, but you can only spend it once.

Have a Wonderful Week

CHURCH ROTAS FOR OCTOBER 2022	SHRULE	GLENCORRIB
LAY READERS – Vigil Mass	Martine Hyland	Padraig Biggins
LAY READERS – Morning Mass	Geraldine Casserly	Helena O'Connor
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS – Vigil Mass	Ann Geraghty	Kathleen Shaughnessy
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS – Morning	John Muldoon	Siobhan Cottingham
USHERS	St. Mary's Road	Ballynalty
ALTAR SOCIETY	Dalغان Park & Yard	Ballynalty

HSE AND OUR PARTNERED SERVICE PROVIDERS ARE HOSTING...

School Leaver Information Fair in County Mayo. A Drop-in Event for Young People with a Disability & their Families on Wednesday 26th October 2022 from 12noon to 3pm at Breaffy House hotel, Castlebar. During the event you can:

- Drop-in to gain information from Disability Service Providers, Education and Training Providers, Vocational Support Services, Community Service Providers, as well as hearing shared experiences from school leavers & parents.
- Begin to explore further options
- Register your interest in availing of the HSE Day Opportunities and Guidance Service



Free parking available on site.

EMAIL US FOR MORE INFORMATION DISABILITYDAYSERVICES.CHO2@HSE.IE

Please inform us in advance if you have particular access or support needs, so that we can endeavour to accommodate your requirements.

LIVING WELL is a free online group programme delivered over six workshops (2.5 hrs x 6). It is delivered by trained	Day	Start Date	End Date	Start Time	End Time
	Wednesday	26 th Oct	30 th Nov	10.30am	1pm
	Wednesday	2 nd Nov	7 th Dec	7pm	9.30pm
	Friday	4 th Nov	9 th Dec	10.30am	1pm

leaders, most of whom are also living with a long-term health condition. This free online group programme is aimed to help people manage their long-term health conditions and improve their wellbeing. Anyone with any chronic illness such as diabetes, arthritis, COPD, cardiac illness, anxiety, etc. can benefit from these workshops. It is delivered on Zoom, once a week, over a 6-week period in a friendly and supportive setting. If you or any of your friends or colleagues would like to join any of our courses in October & November, you can ☎ 0860142675 or email at lgildea@southmayo.com **You must register in advance as places are limited to 10/12 participants.** Please note you do not have to disclose your health condition on the programme. Please contact Liam Gildea on **086 014 2675** or by email at lgildea@southmayo.com Please see link for more information about the course: www.hse.ie/livingwell

SHRULE COMMUNITY CENTRE & GLENCORRIB KILROE COMMUNITY CENTRE CLOTHES BANKS: We appreciate you continued support.	ROISIN NAUGHTON IRISH DANCING CLASSES FOR NS CHILDREN resumes every Friday at Glencorrib Community Centre from 3.15pm to 4.15pm. All are welcome. For more info ☎ Roisin 087 1133730
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MARY'S MEALS MAYO is hosting an information morning at 11am on Saturday 29th October. The guest speaker will be Fr. Eamonn Kelly. Venue is the Alexian Brother's Community, St Alexius, Knock Village, F12 PK73. All are welcome. ☎ 087-2483343



A doctor stopped to let an 87 year old patient see the sunset during a transfer

ALONE: COVID HELPLINE: ALONE manage a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns relating to COVID-19. Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open seven days a week, 8am to 8pm, and can be contacted by ☎ 0818 222 024.

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP meets every Wednesday at 11am at the Family Centre, Knock. All welcome. Further info ☎ Monica Morley, 094-9375320.

MAYO CANCER SUPPORT provides FREE support services to those affected by cancer. ☎ 0949038407

SOCIAL DANCING AT THE CROSSROADS COMMUNITY CENTRE CONG every Friday from 9pm to 11.30pm. Tea/Coffee served. Admission €10.

- Friday 21st Oct Shaun Loughrey
- Friday 28th Oct Matt Dillon
- Friday 4th Nov Glenn Flynn
- Friday 11th Nov Sheebeen
- Friday 18th Nov Carmel McLoughlin
- Friday 25th Nov Bernie Heaney
- Friday 2nd Dec Olivia Douglas
- Friday 9th Dec Dermot & Fergal McConnell
- Friday 16th Dec Christmas Party with Carmel McLoughlin

With lots more to follow in the New Year. Look forward to seeing lots of you there. Further info ☎ 087 0916305

WE HAD A REALLY MEAN MOM

While other kids ate sweets for breakfast, we had to have cereal, egg and toast.

When others had a Pepsi or a chocolate bar for lunch, we had to eat sandwiches. And you can guess, our mother made us a dinner that was different from what other kids had too.

Mother insisted on knowing where we were at all times. You'd think we were convicts in a prison. She had to know who our friends were, and what we were doing with them. She insisted that if we said we would be gone for an hour, we would be gone for an hour or less.

We were ashamed to admit it, but she had the nerve to break the Child Labour Laws by making us *work*. We had to wash the dishes, make the beds, learn to cook, vacuum the floor, do laundry, and all sorts of cruel jobs. I think she would lie awake at night thinking of more things for us to do.

She always insisted on us telling the truth. By the time we were teenagers she could read our minds.

Then life was really tough. Mother wouldn't let our friends just press the car horn when they drove up. They had to come to the door so she could meet them. While everyone else could date when they were 12 or 13, we had to wait until we were 16.

Because of our mother, we missed out on lots of things other kids experienced. None of us have ever been caught shoplifting, vandalizing other people's property, or being arrested for any crime. It was all her fault."

Now that we have left home, we are all God-fearing, educated, honest adults. We are doing our best to be mean parents, just like Mum was.

I think that's what's wrong with the world today. It just doesn't have enough mean moms anymore.

(Mike Doyle)

He might have added: "We weren't allowed to spend time on social media, ending up feeling inadequate". But then he is talking about a different era, when discipline, politeness, reliability, learning useful life skills – and telling the truth – were givens. (It must be my age!)

PRAYER OF ST. JOHN HENRY NEWMAN

O Lord, Support us all the day long,
 Until the shadows lengthen and the evening comes,
 and the busy world is hushed,
 and the fever of life is over
 and our work is done.
 Then, Lord, in your mercy
 grant us a safe lodging,
 a holy rest, and peace at the last,
 through Christ Jesus, our Lord.



**PARISH NOTES:
WAYS TO MAKE CONTRIBUTIONS:**

With the resumption of public liturgies, the following ways now in place to make contributions. These contributions make the works been carried out possible. Thank you for your continuing support in these unfamiliar times. At weekend Masses, Shrule Post Office. Drop off at Parochial House (Tuesdays, 10.30 am - 12noon) or Curates' House (Wednesdays, 10.30 am - 12noon) or Banking Online or Standing Order. Details of each church bank account have been provided below.

○ **Shrule Church:**

Bank: Ulster Bank Ireland DAC

Account Name:

Shrule Church Finance Committee:

IBAN IE10ULSB98525010138070 and BIC: ULSBIE2DXXX

○ **Glencorrib Church:**

Bank: Ulster Bank Ireland DAC

Account Name: Shrule Glencorrib Church:

IBAN IE97ULSB98525010138153 and BIC: ULSBIE2DXXX

With banking online please ensure **full name is given** as reference when making the standing order or Account transfer, so the parish has a record of who has made their weekly contribution through each bank account.

This is **very important** for the Charitable Donation Scheme. Thank you for your continuing support. **Welcome to those Outside of Parish:** People outside of the parish are most welcome to attend public liturgies in the parish. Please observe guidelines.

Regarding contributions please continue to support your parish and use your own parish envelopes It is standard practice for envelopes to be returned to their respective parishes.

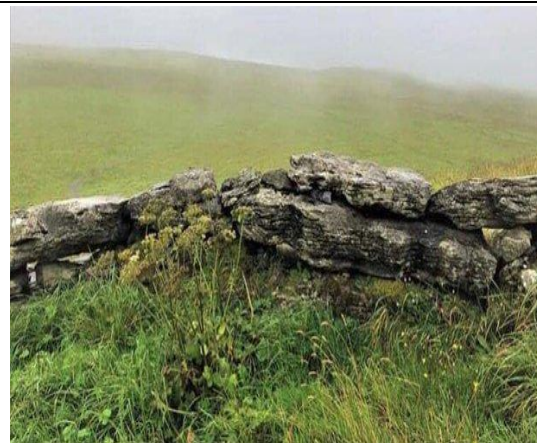
CHURCH ENVELOPES: In the current environment, the use of the envelopes is essential while the regular method of collections during the liturgy is not taking place. The income from these envelopes ensures the parish can continue to **pay its regular bills and continue with the renovations** taking place in both churches. Your support and generosity is essential & greatly appreciated. Remember it is possible to leave the envelopes in Shrule post office as well as donate online. Further information is found on the page attached to the Parish Envelopes 2022. If you are using the envelopes available at church, and are planning to apply for charity tax rebate, please write your name and envelope number on envelope.

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS: Heavenly Father, we praise you and thank you for all you have done for us. We thank you especially for sending your Son, Jesus Christ, to visit and save us. We ask you to bless our family and all the people of our parish, especially those who are suffering in any way. Encourage those in our parish whom you invite to become priests, religious and permanent deacons, and grant them the generosity of mind and heart to follow your call. May they bring good news to our world today. We ask this through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

SHRULE PARISH is committed to the protection of all children and young people in our Church. Please see the notice boards for contact details.

SHRULE PARISH OFFICE OPENING HOURS: Shrule - Parochial House Tuesdays 10.30am to 12-noon. Glencorrib - Curates House (Sunny Days) Wednesdays 10.30am to 12-noon

CHY3 TAX REBATE FORMS: Over the next few weeks, parishioners who have contributed over €250 in any given year over the last 4 years will receive a CHY3 form in the post. The CHY3 form covers a 5-year period of contributions. You are invited to complete this form if you are a taxpayer and return it. This form will allow the parish to benefit from a tax rebate on the total sum paid in any given year. This money will go toward the ongoing works currently underway in both churches. Thank you in advance for your generous support and for taking time to complete the form. If you have any questions, please email the parish: parishofshurle3@gmail.com



**"This is the time to be slow,
Lie low to the wall
Until the bitter weather passes.**

Try, as best you can, not to let
The wire brush of doubt
Scrape from your heart
All sense of yourself
And your hesitant light.

If you remain generous,
Time will come good;
And you will find your feet
Again on fresh pastures of promise,
Where the air will be kind
And blushed with beginning."

John O'Donohue



AUTUMN DUES:

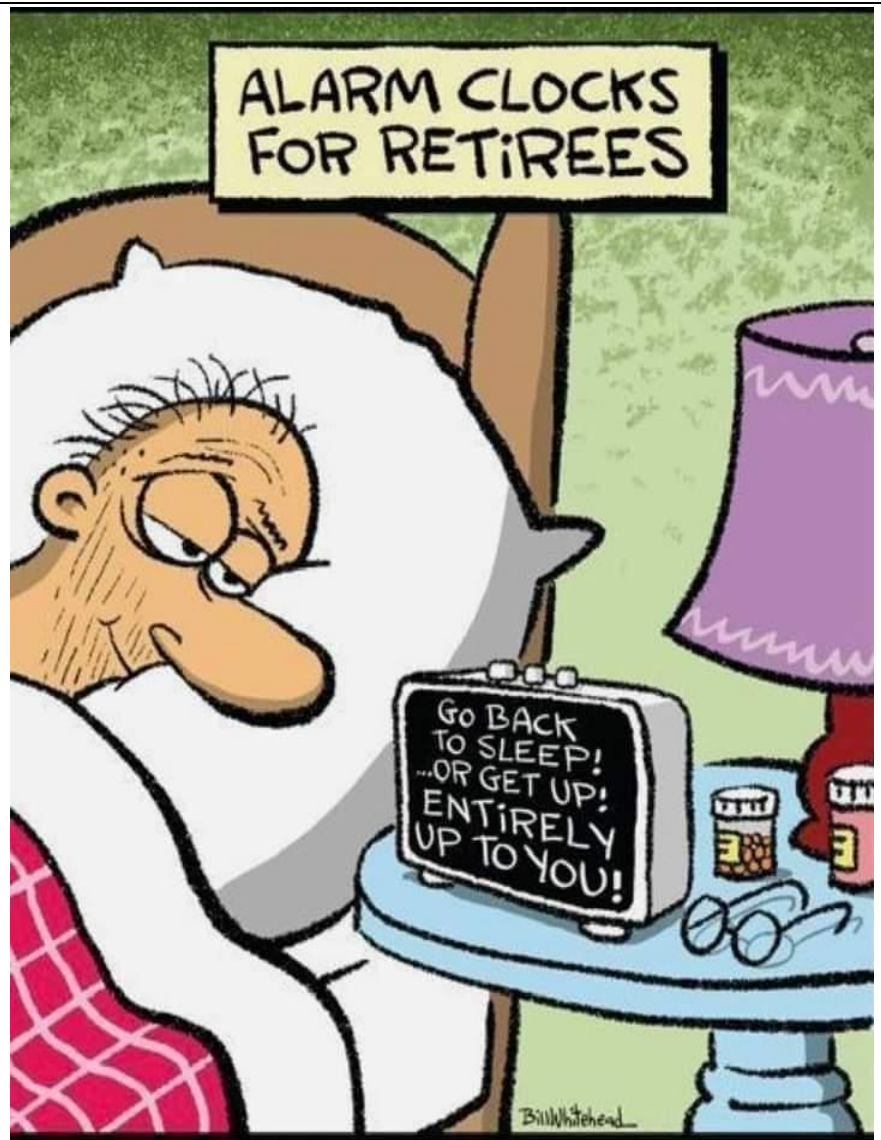
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What are Dues Envelopes?: The Autumn Dues envelopes along with Christmas and Autumn Dues pay the salary of the priest of the parish, diocesan levy (calculated by curates salary) and contribute to the support of retired clergy, clergy working in offices and clergy in underprivileged areas of the diocese. The current salary for the priest of the diocese is €1450 per calendar month.

What is the Weekly Offertory Collection for then?

It is a common misunderstanding that the weekly offertory collection is for the priest. In actually fact, the weekly offertory collections is for the upkeep & running of the parish. It does not form any part of the priest's income or salary. Thank You in advance for your continued support & generosity in these difficult & challenging times.

Thank You for Your Continuing Support



WILL I MISS IT? As anyone who has ever moved house will know, it can be an exhausting and stressful time. There are boxes to be filled and labelled, furniture to be lifted and transported, and rooms to be cleaned. There are things to throw in the bin or skip, and trips to the recycling centre and charity shop. And there is a bucket load of emotions that go with the whole process, particularly when it comes to those decisions over what is worth holding onto, and what can be let go. Many an item I've regarded in recent weeks, agonising over whether it needs to make the journey with me. My motto has become '**Will I miss it if I get rid of it?**' A friend of mine swears by the 'KoniMari' method of decluttering, which advises asking yourself whether or not an item '**brings you joy**'. Such are the practical considerations we deal with in life, particularly at pivotal times such as moving home, moving in with a partner, when a child flies the nest, or after a loved one passes away. While we may not be people 'of great wealth' like the man in today's gospel, most of us accumulate a great deal of possessions over a lifetime. Some of it is necessary, but much of it is superfluous. If it came down to it, how much could we let go of? What good will our earthly treasures do us, in the long run?



Past is experience,
present is experiment,
future is expectation.

*Use your experience in
your experiments to achieve
your expectations.*

THE LEGION OF MARY celebrates the closing Mass of its centenary year, with Bishop Michael presiding, at 7.30pm on Tuesday 8th November in Galway Cathedral. The Legion welcomes all friends past and present to attend. Light refreshments afterwards.

QUOTE: Your journey is not the same as mine, And my journey is not the same as yours. But if we meet on a certain pay, may we encourage each other

LET'S DEVELOP OUR VISION FOR COMMUNITY WELLBEING FOR THIS AND FUTURE GENERATIONS IN CLAREMORRIS-SWINFORD MUNICIPAL DISTRICT WHAT COMMUNITY GROUPS SAID AT THE MAYO PPN COMMUNITY WORKSHOP HELD IN MCWILLIAM PARK HOTEL, CLAREMORRIS ON 10th OCTOBER 2022.

Why are we collecting the views of community groups?

The Mayo Public Participation Network (PPN) is working with its members to produce a shared vision for the future wellbeing of the Claremorris-Swinford Municipal District for this and future generations. This vision will be used to inform the work of the PPN and its representatives.

Community wellbeing combines a number of issues such as health, social and community development, the environment and public participation. All the different aspects of community wellbeing are captured in the diagram set out below. We want to hear your organisation's or group's ambitions and aspirations for our community around these issues.

As part of the consultation process Mayo PPN held a workshop in the McWilliam Park Hotel, Claremorris on the 10th October 2022. The inputs made by representatives of PPN member groups at that workshop are presented here for your information.

There is now a 2-week opportunity for groups that were not able to attend the workshops, or who were present but have additional inputs they want to make, to contribute their views. This can be done via the link in the email.

All the responses received will be collected and considered with those from the workshop (presented here) and incorporated into a Draft Vision for Community Wellbeing for the Mayo PPN for This and Future Generations. This draft vision will be made available for feedback from all PPN member groups before being finalised and published.

This document includes all the inputs that were made at the workshop, presented under the headings where they were made. They have been grouped by themes where this appeared to be helpful, but please note that these themes are only provided to help make the material more accessible.



HEALTH (PHYSICAL AND MENTAL)

- More prevention – less intervention
- Education

Mental Health

- “Wellbeing” a better word to use instead of “mental” as this may be off-putting to many people
- Mental health on the curriculum from primary school age
- Greater resilience and character to avoid mental health issues
- Mental health needs to be brought into schools. We are told to talk but there is no-one to listen
- More counsellors for youth and older people
- Mental health and well-being educational services
- Good communication with youngsters with mental health issues – more funding needed to deal with mental health
- Mental health drop in centres

Health Services

- Fewer hospitals – but better run
- Automation of health records for better efficiency
- Primary health centres in all local communities
- More services available at primary health centres
- Doctors available in primary health care centres
- Affordable or free health services for those on low-incomes

- Increased professionals – doctors and nurses
- More GPs/ doctors in towns
- Reduce waiting lists and waiting times for appointments in all health services
- Improve ambulance response times
- Provision of psychological services

Accessibility

- Accessible amenities for differently abled bodies
- Special needs as part of normal
- Development/ renovation of Crossboyne old school for people with special needs (day care) – ways to bring health care into Crossboyne community

Enabling Active Communities

- Safe indoor and outdoor spaces/ paths for people to exercise
- Lighting within confines of town for people to access for walking, running, etc.
- Community approach for walking so that everyone can feel safe
- Amenity areas free and accessible to all of the community; all age groups and all abilities
- More playgrounds in the community
- At least 1 organised walk in each community with outdoor exercise facilities similar to Lough Lannagh in Castlebar
- Public spaces
- Community gardens/ allotments

Transport

- Local Link – use census data to ensure all areas are represented so people can get into and about their communities.
- Public transport to be fully accessible to all in the community, e.g. wheelchair users
- Proper, widespread infrastructure for active travel (walking & cycling)
- Investment in active travel
- Sustainable travel promotes connected, health community

Across the generations

- Community centres that promotes mixing of older and younger generations locally
- More youth programmes to collaborate with the elderly
- More interaction between the youth and the elderly

Carers

- Increased training for carers with a set minimum wage similar to what has been done recently in childcare
- More support needed and acknowledgement for carers and the work that they do
- Nobody in poverty because they are a carer

Safe communities

- More policing in rural areas where people are vulnerable and isolated
- Garda presence and more policing for older people.
- Maybe a Garda assigned to each area/ parish who would visit that area at least once a week.

Community supports

- More inclusion in the community for older people
- Peer support groups
- Holistic services
- Women's Sheds & Men's Sheds – County audit to see if all areas are covered/ catered for
- More support for new mums, including breast-feeding support
- More multi-lingual support for immigrant families – translators available for school/ health and other settings
- More early years intervention at school
- NEPS (National Educational Psychology Service) Service inadequate
- More public forums

Housing: Increased appropriate housing for the elderly who can leave houses they find too big/ difficult to manage and move to more community focused houses in their own locality, while still living independently.

Employment

- Reduced working week – not reduced pay

PARTICIPATION, DEMOCRACY AND GOOD GOVERNANCE

- Strong community spirit
- Events to participate in

Information

- Digital community notice board
- Public community notice boards in public spaces (interactive)

Local Authority

- Limited maximum term for councillors
- Address the gap between a "day time" local authority and evening time volunteers.
- Community arts officer in each town to liaise with local groups

Citizenship: Youth citizenship programme

Community Councils

- Directly funded by national/ local government (through taxation) and having decision-making power over local spending
- Funding for community council to implement activities

Governance requirements for community groups

- Reduce level of bureaucracy and paperwork for community groups
- Unzip bureaucracy
- Limit risk and exposure – insurance
- Insurance reform now
- Public liability insurance for all groups covered by State
- Garda clearance provided as a passport for all groups

Funding

- Better access to applications for funding
- Leader funding is difficult to apply for
- The PPN to inform voluntary groups of grant applications and dates
- Funding is inadequate – no match funding available, 50% GMA is too much

Voting

- Allow expats to vote on national issues. *(Not agreed: compulsory voting)*

SOCIAL AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Respectful community

Safe community

- Crime prevention
- Support networks

Children: Children's playgrounds in all communities

Recreational access

- Free access to public facilities, for sports, etc.
- Services available in our towns for family, community, sports, cultural, etc. – that actively encourage people to take part.
- Open access and encouragement for those that are home-schooled to take part in recreational activities and sports.
- Sport is not just for the good or just about winning
- Diverse offerings of sport and recreational activities available

Integration

- Following on Integration Seminar held in 2018 in COE, Bekan. Government support is needed to achieve integration and social inclusion in Ballyhaunis.
- Resources are needed to address language and cultural challenges and enable voluntary and community organisations to attract new members from all groups and cultures
- Education is needed in all spheres on cultures and communities to support integration

Information

- Marketing of local communities organisations and activities. Make information available on what is going on and when – and make these easy to access for all
- Signposting – so that groups know what help is available depending on the situation that arises,

what is provided, when and where. So this listing would include details of the organisations, their activities and services. Provide ongoing funding to support this.

Connectedness

- Swap the assets! Share more
- Good interconnection between towns in the area mean that they can share ideas, replicate and develop these rather than reinvent the wheel
- Inter-county towns join together rather than compete

Transport

- Car free links between communities
- Inclusive active travel networks with safe access to green spaces for all in the community
- All transport should be accessible to all; older people, people living with disabilities, etc.
- Community car programme is urgently needed

Housing

- Everyone should be able to afford a home that meets their needs, within their community
- Supported housing for independent living for aging population
- Everybody should be able to access housing at an affordable cost that meets their needs in their community.

Citizenship

- Encourage involvement in community from young age – like citizenship training so that the idea of civic duty is normal and people become advocates for what is needed in their community. This also helps the pipeline of active citizens and volunteers that will support community groups in later life.
- Funding for Transition Year students to get used to being volunteers
- Less time spent on Communion in school and more about community.

Access

- Public spaces are all fully accessible
- Equipment in children's playgrounds can accommodate children with disabilities
- Picnic areas are fully accessible to those with disabilities
- Provide funding to enable community organisations to adapt and ensure they are accessible
- Amenity areas are free and accessible at all times

Consultation

- Feedback on all consultations to communities is essential
- Local Authority to follow up on delivery of "Community Futures"

Arts

- Community arts and wellbeing training compulsory
- Liaison officers between community groups

Funding

- Who has the cheque book?
- Community development organisations (such as local radio) need funding and adequate resources to do essential work in communities.

VALUES, CULTURE AND MEANING

Diverse and welcoming community

- Community social events
- More public displays to include more cultures and ethnicities
- Community spaces, libraries, hubs and events that are multicultural
- Encourage other cultures to share their talents
- Multi-cultural spaces and education, libraries, etc.

Respectful and Inclusive community

- Building and fostering civic-mindedness in youth, non religious, non sport affiliated

Irish Culture, heritage & history

- Celebrate local Irish culture and heritage
- Develop interpretation of this to make universal appeal
- More investment in the arts from an early age in school, preserving our national heritage/culture
- Preserve our local heritage, traditions, crafts, etc. so our young people are aware of their

history, etc.

- Dancing
- Language
- Record and promote our local history

Children

- All drama, culture, folklore to be taught in primary school so that it's free for all children
- Access to music and tradition in school and out of school
- Educate our young people in schools to promote our Ceád Mile Fáilte across the community
- Changing religious education in primary schools to include ALL religions; informing and not indoctrinating

Community Spaces and Facilities

- Community venues, equipment and skilled supporters for cultural activities
- Better public venues
- Community hall/ hub for people to meet and partake in meetings, drafts, dance, cultural activities, etc.
- Community cooking facilities
- Better supports for the night-time economy
- Courses to suit every age group e.g. thatching! And diverse interests
- Equality in sport
- Mindfulness, emotional classes
- Mental health courses for everyone

Transport

- All public transport should be accessible to all in the community i.e. people with disabilities
- Where would society be without the volunteers!

ECONOMY AND RESOURCES

Employment

- Minimum wage to be a Living Wage and rise in line with inflation/ cost of living
- Greater access to apprenticeships (carpentry, electrical, plumbing, etc.)
- Sustainable jobs for graduates & skilled people locally to keep young people based in the locality rather than commuting to cities or emigrating
- Increase numbers of TÚS & RSS workers
- Database of people on schemes/ RSS, etc. that can be accessed by businesses looking to recruit

Enterprise support

- Start-up funding made available for community or social enterprises (not just for the workers)
- Community support for local start-ups
- Focus on creation and use of life-time products NOT those with built in obsolescence, to reduce consumption and carbon production
- More support for small business start-ups; mentoring, funding and training
- Increased awareness of community working hubs
- Develop industries at Knock Airport to enhance employment
- Knock airport to be a tax free zone for 10-20- years to attract businesses into it
- Legislation to ensure all projects and businesses are insurable for a reasonable cost – cost/lack of insurance should not mean businesses cannot operate
- Reduce red tape

Education & Training

- Mentorship programme for students with local businesses
- Allocate professional career guidance hours to each RSS, TÚS & CE Scheme participant
- Not enough training and education supports for people not in work
- Require people on unemployment should be involved with maintenance of local community
- Intergenerational training centre for arts and crafts

Carbon Tax

- Impose a carbon tax on imports
- Recognise carbon credits

Transport

- Completion of Atlantic Transport Corridor – with rail and road from Tuam to Derry

- Better local transport services to provide o ways to get to town for older people, non-drivers and for young people to connect up with Bus Eireann, trains, etc.

Use of Resources

- Increased awareness of resources available e.g. halls, old buildings, schools in the area
- Be pragmatic and use the infrastructure available creatively and fully
- Community gardens/ allotments and grow your own

Infrastructure

- Fibre broadband required to give people and businesses the option to move home and work locally

ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABILITY

Minding Nature: Recognise and protect the natural environment

Energy

- National retrofitting programme for solar PV, insulation, etc. – make it cheap and easy
- Increased wind energy incentives
- Local biogas or anaerobic digestion facility to compost and generate electricity
- Better options to retrofit or improve energy efficiency/ electricity for homes and businesses

Transport

- Strengthen Local Link – provide better public transport
- Good local public transport for communities
- Sustainable transport – community involvement in the environment with walking and cycling
- Sustainable greenway development for connected communities
- More charging points for electric cars
- Proper, safe, cycling infrastructure not only in towns but linking rural areas as well

Natural resources: Protect our water quality

Built heritage

- Protect our existing built heritage
- Re-purpose old buildings
- Celebrate & highlight our built heritage

Waste management

- Communal waste collection points
- Better community waste management
- Community compost for gardens/ allotments, etc.
- Social enterprises in recycling, repairing, re-use, upcycling, etc.
- Better enforcement of law relating to litter, dumping, etc. Landlords to provide bins in rented properties to cut down on fly tipping, dumping, etc.

Agriculture and farming

- Pay farmers to protect biodiversity and habitats for wildlife
- Incentivise famers to lease land for community gardens/ share allotments

Outdoor recreation

- Create environmental attractions
- Development of water sports on the river and waterways

Education and skills transfer

- Environmental education from a young age throughout our lives
- Transfer of knowledge and skills from older to younger generations through community hub

Economy

- Change the market model economy to a resource based economy
- Reduce imports – develop sustainable local economy
- Enable production of affordable, sustainable goods that are necessary – housing, cars, etc.
- Have technology free days

If you want to make an input to the Mayo PPN Claremorris-Swinford Municipal District Vision for Community Wellbeing, you can do this either online or in hard copy (form available from the PPN).

