

GLENCORRIB & SHRULE PARISH NEWSLETTER – 20th MARCH 2022

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THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT (YEAR C) MASS DATES, TIMES & INTENTIONS

ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH, SHRULE - Dedicated 1832

Sat	19 th Mar	8.00 pm	Mary Murphy & Tom Murphy , Wakefield	8 th & 54 th Anniv
Sun	20 th Mar	11.00 am	Pa & Mary Ryan & DM Ryan family , Gurteen	19 th & 16 th Anniv
		3.00 pm	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: 3pm to 4pm	
Mon	21 st Mar		No Mass	
Tue	22 nd Mar	9.30 am	Mary & Dick Geraghty , Shrule	10 th & 32 nd Anniv
Wed	23 rd Mar	9.30 am	John Keane	
Thu	24 th Mar	9.30 am	Loretta Woodgate , Ballyfruit & Main St, Headford	RIP 19/2/2022
Fri	25 th Mar	7.00 pm	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: 7.00pm to 7.55pm	
		8.00 pm	John & Mary Daly	27 th Anniv
			John & Julia Langan , Shrule	25 th & 24 th Anniv
Sat	26 th Mar	8.00 pm	Paddy & Bridget Hughes , Bullaun	22 nd & 12 th Anniv
Sun	27 th Mar	11.00 am	DM Payne family , Mocollogan	Anniv & Deceased
		3.00 pm	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: 3pm to 4pm	

CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, GLENCORRIB - Dedicated 1876

Sat	19 th Mar	6.30 pm	Andrew & Bridie Egan & DM of the Egan family , Inishmacatreer	29 th & 2 nd Anniv & Deceased
			Bridie Noone , Woodpark	20 th Anniv
			Mark, Maureen and Joe Concannon , Gortbrack and Deerpark, Headford	47 th , 6 th & RIP 05/12/21
Sun	20 th Mar	9.30 am	John Coyne , Inishmaine, The Neale	RIP 22/02/2022
		3.00 pm	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: 3pm to 4pm	
Wed	23 rd Mar	10.10 am	Ann Rice (Née Holland), Tyholland, Co. Monaghan	RIP 23/1/2022
Fri	25 th Mar	6.30 pm	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: 6.30pm to 6.55pm	
		7.00 pm	Paddy & Owen Garvey & DM Garvey family , Gortatubber	14 th & 32 nd Anniv & Deceased
Sat	26 th Mar	6.30 pm	Edward & Kitty Geraghty , Rostaff	Deceased & 67 th Anniv
Sun	27 th Mar	9.30 am	Special Intention	
		3.00 pm	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: 3pm to 4pm	

CHURCH ROTAS FOR MARCH 2022

	SHRULE	GLENCORRIB
LAY READERS – Vigil Mass	Maura Mullin	Mairead Geraghty
LAY READERS – Morning Mass	John Heneghan	Eleanor Hennelly
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS – Vigil Mass	Claire McGuinness	Patricia O'Sullivan
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS - Morning	John Muldoon	Siobhan Cottingham
USHERS	Dalgan Demesne, Gurteen & Carramore	
ALTAR SOCIETY	St. Mary's Road	
	Moyne & Toorard	

INVITATION FROM HEADFORD PARISH

Monday 28th March - Meeting in St Mary's Church Claran @ 8pm guest speaker is **Fr Gerard McCarthy**. He will be giving a talk to all readers and all those who would like to become readers. All Welcome

Tuesday 29th March - Meeting For Pastoral Council's held in the Anglers Rest Hotel @ 7pm Speaker is **Fr Pat Farragher**.

DAFFODIL DAY/ IRISH CANCER SOCIETY

collection will be held this **Friday 25th March @ Shrule Post Office**.

All support is appreciated.

If you can volunteer an hour please ☎ or text to Noreen @ 085-8615168 or Rita @ 087-9325022 starting from 9am to 4pm



DID YOU KNOW: Walmart in the US had to remove 50,000 milk containers from their stores. The labels had to be changed from "Open here" to "Open at home"

SPECIAL COLLECTION 17th MARCH FOR IRISH ABOARD

INTRODUCTION: St. Patrick's Day is A when we traditionally think about what it means to be Irish, and the lives of Irish emigrants aboard.

BACKGROUND: The **plight of Irish emigrants** in Britain was brought to the attention of Archbishop **John Charles McQuaid** in the mid 1950's by a group of **Columban priests** working in Manchester. Following their appeal and the obvious need the Irish Bishops' Conference asked that priests be released to minister to this wave of Irish Emigrants. Initially the work involved **celebrating the Sacraments**; however more and more attention was paid to **the living and working conditions** of these emigrants, many of whom were on the **verge of destitution**. The response was formalised by the Irish Bishops' Conference in 1957 when it set up the Irish Chaplaincy Scheme in Britain. This response was replicated in the United States in the mid-eighties when large numbers of young Irish left Ireland in the hope of a better and brighter future there.

PLEASE SUPPORT: This St. Patrick's Day, please support the Council for Emigrants by contributing what you can. The Council for Emigrants (formerly Irish Episcopal Commission for Emigrants IECE) is the response of the Episcopal Conference of Irish Catholic Bishops to the needs of Irish emigrants prior to and following departure. It is a significant voice on behalf of emigrants; and is particularly committed to the needs of the *vulnerable involuntary emigrant*. The Council of Emigrants is a strong advocate in condemning involuntary emigration and in *seeking their rights and adequate services* for them. It provides services for potential emigrants and, in conjunction with the host church responds to the needs of the Irish as an immigrant community. Outreach chaplaincy centres have been established in the United Kingdom, Europe, USA and Australia, caring for the personal, social and family needs of Irish emigrants. The Councils objectives are:

- To express the concern and care of we, the Irish Church for the spiritual and temporal needs of Irish people overseas in partnership with the local Church
- To research the ongoing needs of Irish emigrants and keep them before us, the Irish Church.
- To develop and initiate services which will give practical expression to these concerns especially those in difficult and challenging circumstances.

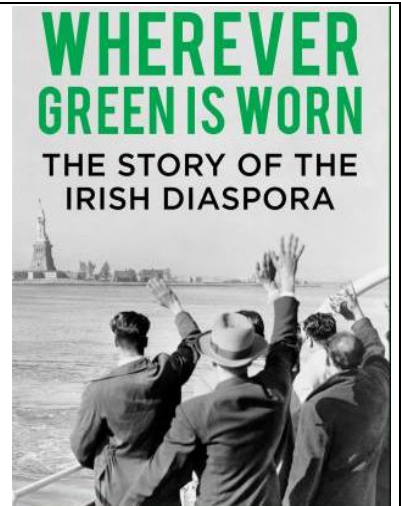
IRISH COUNCIL FOR PRISONERS OVERSEAS: The Irish Council for Prisoners Overseas is a subcommittee of the Council for Emigrants and was established by the Irish Bishops' Conference in 1985 in response to the increasing problems facing Irish prisoners abroad, particularly in relation to their families at home. ICPO's objectives are to:

- Support emigrants/migrants through provision of chaplaincy services
- Research and provide relevant information to prisoners on issues such as deportation, repatriation, and transfer.
- Identify and respond to the needs of Irish prisoners abroad and their families.
- Focus public attention on issues affecting Irish prisoners.

SUPPORT: This valuable work can only continue and is only possible through your kindness and support and is especially important to those who in the 1950's 60's & 70's left Ireland and are reaching retirement with little or no support in place. This St. Patrick's Day, please remember those from our parish living aboard in your prayers and support this special collection. Thank you.

THE WAY IT IS: This week 'The Way It Is' on Claremorris Community Radio 94.6fm discusses the upcoming Census 22. The Census in on Sunday night 3rd April 2022. Guest speaker is Pat O Rourke Midlands Regional Supervisor Census 22. The programme will provide information on The importance of the Census? Do we have to answer all questions? Is the form available in other languages? What happens if I refuse to take the Census form? Where can I get help? Confidentiality? and many more. Claremorris Community Radio will broadcast 'The Way it is' on Monday 21st March at 7pm, and again on Thursday 24th March @ 8pm. Listen in on 94.6fm or www.ccr946.ie or via the Tunelm app on your smartphone. Anthony McNicholas

EARTH HOUR: Every year at 8:30pm local time on the last Saturday of March, people in more than 190 countries unite in switching off the lights for one hour. Earth Hour is all about inspiring people to take better care of the planet. It's a symbol of solidarity and also a catalyst for change. See www.earthhour.org for more information. Spend this hour mindfully: take time to reconnect with nature, talk to your loved ones, or reflect and pray.



No one is going to stand up at your funeral and say, "She had a really expensive couch and great shoes" Don't make life about stuff. **Be the reason** someone believes in the goodness of people...

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

Surname	Christian	Village	Date Died	Age	Cemetery
Murphy	Margaret	Glencorrib	19/03/1938	27	Shrule
Murphy	Margaret	Ballynalty	19/03/1947	67	Shrule
Muldoon	Martin	Shrule	19/03/1958	78	Shrule
Hughes	Mary	Mochorra	19/03/1981	74	Shrule
Kavanagh	Kathleen	Cahernabruck	19/03/1989	64	Shrule
Concannon	Maureen	Gortbrack	19/03/2016	80	Killursa
Garvey	Brigid	Gorthbrack	20/03/1916	85	Killursa
Meenaghan	Mary	Cloonbanane	20/03/1922	90	Abbettown
Lee	Mrs.	Anlacca	20/03/1936	59	Moyne
Keville	Margaret	Moyne	20/03/1943	20	Moyne
Geraghty	Martin	Corrinreedra	20/03/1954	76	Killursa
Ryan	Robert	Dalgan	20/03/1978	60	Shrule
Murphy	James	Ballynalty	20/03/1985	87	Cross
Egan	Andrew	Inishmacatreer	20/03/1993		Cong
Duddy	Jimmy	Gurteen	20/03/1970	92	Kille
Muldoon	Thomas	Shrule	21/03/1935	59	Shrule
Sweeney	Domnall	Ravenhill	21/03/1935	83	Shrule
Naughton	Catherine	Rostaff	21/03/1956	92	Moyne
Dooley	Francis	Moyne	21/03/1964	68	Shrule
Buckley	Pattie	Moorgagagh	21/03/1980	83	Shrule
Lawless	Mary	Gortlagga	22/03/1892	36	Shrule
Kenny	Mary	Toorard	22/03/1922	88	Moyne
McCarthy	Martin	Carheen	22/03/1933	56	Shrule
Kane	Anna	Shrule	22/03/1945		Shrule
Frehan	William	Cloonbanane	22/03/1952	63	Shrule
Garvey	Patrick	Gortatubber	22/03/2008	91	Killursa
Sweeney	Margaret (Peg.)	Corrinredra	22/03/2009	85	Killursa
Hyland	Paddy	Brodella	22/03/2020	78	Shrule
Murphy	Robert	Shrule	23/03/1923	15	Shrule
Dooley	Mrs.	Cahernabruck	23/03/1945	48	Shrule
Fahy	Michael	Ballisnahina	23/03/1953	71	Shrule
Corbett	Patrick	Anlacca	23/03/1971	87	Shrule
Sheridan	Mary Kate	Dalgan Lawn	23/03/2013	93	Shrule
Biggins	Thomas	Dalgan Park	24/03/1984	4	Killursa
Egan	Frank	Shrulegrove	24/03/2015	78	Shrule
Flood	Anne	Pulbee	25/03/1927	90	Moyne
Connor	James	Rostaff	25/03/1929	84	Moyne
Phew	James	Rostaff	25/03/1941	76	Moyne
Newell	Peter Albert	Mount Henry	25/03/1967	22	Killursa
Hoade	Gerard	Cullagh	25/03/1976	72	Donaghpatrick
Keleghan	Michael	Dalgan Park	25/03/1984	78	Shrule
Carroll	Mary	Longhill	25/03/1994	81	Shrule
O'Dowd	Kevin P.	Cahernabruck	25/03/1995	42	Shrule
Monaghan	Catherine	Tubberkeerane	26/03/1918	80	Shrule
Cannon	Michael	St. Mary's Road	26/03/1962	85	Shrule
Murphy	Martin	Glencorrib	26/03/1976	32	Shrule
Meenaghan	Maureen	Gurteen	26/03/2010	88	Shrule
Swindells	Douglas	Rochdale	26/03/2014	89	Donaghpatrick
Mitchell	John Joseph	Dalgan	27/03/1939	25	Shrule
Morris	Bridget	Brodella	27/03/1983	80	Shrule
Carr	Maura	Glencorrib	27/03/2005	77	Knock
Meenaghan	Matt	Cahernabruck	27/03/2015	84	Shrule

MAYO STOMA SUPPORT

GROUP: Next meeting takes place on **Thursday 24th March @ 7pm in The Ellison Hotel, Castlebar.** Guest speaker will attend. Please confirm your attendance to J.J. @ 087 2300580 (numbers required for hotel). New members welcome.

SPRING FORWARD

Don't forget to put your clocks forward by 1 hour on Sunday next 27th March @ 1am. Masses on Sunday next will be Summertime time. <https://www.earthhour.org/>
Shrule/Glencorrib Community Alert Committee remind us to **PLEASE change the battery in your smoke alarm/detector** at least every time you change your clocks.

REMEMBER

Clocks go forward one hour from 1am Sunday



PLEASE REMEMBER WITH A PRAYER THE RECENTLY DECEASED

John Donnellan (44), Dalgan Road. Funeral Mass for John will take place at St. Joseph's Church, on Sunday last 13th March 2022 RIP



Beatrice Acton (nee Egan), Ballycushion, Kilmaine. (Mother of Donal Acton, Ballycushion and Kay Craddock, Shrule) Funeral Mass for Beatrice took place at St. Patrick's Church Kilmaine on Saturday 19th March 2022. RIP

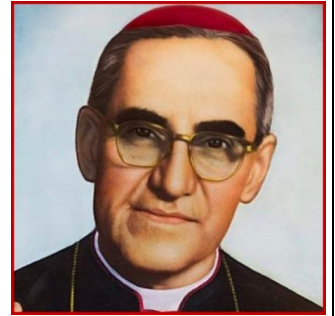


Fr. Greg Rafferty, (1940-2022) Shrule and late of Hamburg, Germany Funeral Mass for Fr. Greg was celebrated by Bishop Brendan Kelly at St. Joseph's Church, Shrule on Friday last 18th March 2022. RIP

John Patrick Murray, Clareview Park, Ballybane Galway and Cross-molina (Father of John Murray, Dalgan Road, Shrule). Funeral Mass for John took place at The Church of the Holy Family, Mervue on Tuesday last 15th March 2022. RIP



SAINT OF THE WEEK: When St. Oscar Romero was appointed Archbishop of San Salvador in 1977, his country was in chaos. Many people in El Salvador were living in poverty, while a smaller elite group controlled all political and economic power. In 1980, El Salvador broke out in a 12 year civil war that left over 75,000 people dead. St. Oscar Romero set up pastoral programs to assist the victims of oppression. He also became an outspoken advocate for human rights, appealing to the Salvadorian military to stop killing their own citizens. On 24th March 1980, St Oscar Romero was murdered while celebrating Mass in El Salvador. A car pulled up outside, and a gunman fired a single shot straight into St. Oscar Romero's heart. Calling him "a martyr for the faith" nearly 40 years later, Pope Francis canonised him in 2018. For the occasion, Pope Francis chose to wear the same blood-stained belt that Romero was wearing at the altar when he died.



ST PATRICK'S DAY PARADE COMMITTEES THANK YOU

Shrule & District Vintage Club who organized the St. Patrick's Day parade in Glencorrib wishes to thank all those who participated (especially the younger members of Shrule/Glencorrib GAA & LGFA Club) and all those who supported the parade. Shrule St. Patrick's Day Committee also wishes to thank all those who participated in their 44th parade and also to the hundreds of supporters who enjoyed the parade and the craic. And in fairness there was a lot of craic & enjoyment on the day. Well done everyone. We're hoping that in 2023 Covid19 will be a distant memory that the 45th parade will be even bigger and better. Hundreds of photos of both parades from Liam Donohue, Liam Kidney and many others are on Facebook and Instagram and videos on John Murphy's FB page. Enjoy.



"On the plus side, it's stopped us being terrified of Covid."

3RD SUNDAY OF LENT



THE NEED FOR ONGOING REFORM

A LITTLE BIT OF HUMOUR

Are you sweating whilst putting fuel in your car, feeling sick when paying for it, you have got the CAROWNERVIRUS. My wife told me I was getting fat. In my defence, I said, I can't help it, I've had a lot on my plate lately.

PRAY FOR UKRAINE

What has been feared by so many has happened; war has returned as Russia has invaded Ukraine in a devastating and unprovoked assault. While being fought in a land that has suffered the atrocities of the past, this war brings with it the risk of a new world conflict.

It has reminded us once again that we are one body of Christ; when anyone suffers, we all suffer. Pope Francis makes a heartfelt plea for peace in Ukraine, guaranteed humanitarian corridors, and for all people to come to the assistance of the war victims, especially the mothers and children fleeing. Pope Francis said "Rivers of blood and tears are flowing in Ukraine. It is not merely a military operation, but a war, which sows death, destruction and misery. The number of victims is increasing, as are the people fleeing, especially mothers and children. The need for humanitarian assistance in that troubled country is growing dramatically by the hour." Let's pray that hearts will soften, and peace will prevail, but most of all, that the Gospel of Christ will permeate the earth.

Pope Francis will consecrate Russia and Ukraine to the Immaculate Heart of Mary on Friday, 25 March, during the Celebration of Penance that he will preside over at 5pm in St Peter's Basilica. According to the messages of Fatima, when Mary appeared to the three shepherd children in Fatima in 1917, she told them, "God wishes to establish in the world devotion to my Immaculate Heart. If what I say to you is done, many souls will be saved, and there will be peace."

The Immaculate Heart of Mary, Queen of the Most Holy Rosary, and Queen of the World, rule over us, together with the Sacred Heart of Jesus Christ, Our King. Amen



THOUSANDS OF CIVILIAN LIVES LOST

A day after a Russian strike reduced to rubble a theatre in Mariupol, Ukraine, where hundreds of people had been huddling for shelter, rescuers began pulling out survivors one by one. The southern city, under siege by Russian forces, has been squarely in Moscow's cross hairs since the invasion began three weeks ago.

With as many as a thousand people reported to have taken shelter at the theatre and still unaccounted for, fears remained that whatever hope emerged from the rescue scene would eventually be eclipsed by despair. "Our hearts are broken by what Russia is doing to our people, to our Mariupol," said Volodymyr Zelensky, the Ukrainian president.

Ukraine has suffered thousands of civilian casualties from the war. Taking heavy losses on the battlefield, Russian forces have increasingly been aiming bombs and missiles at towns and cities. Unable to capture urban centres, they are levelling them instead, and the toll on civilians is worsening.

SPECIAL COLLECTION: UKRAINE

A special collection for the victims of the Ukraine War will be taken up on the weekend (2nd & 3rd April) at all Masses.



LENTEN EVENING OF PRAYER AND SPIRITUAL RENEWAL

Chapel of St Columbanus, NUI Galway Tuesday 22 March, 7.30pm-9.00pm

Lent is a holy season when we are invited to pause and reflect. This evening of prayer provides an opportunity to discern God's plans for us in the everyday routine of our daily lives. This prayerful evening provides a moment in time to place our precious lives under the healing presence of Christ. The evening is facilitated by Fr Ben Hughes at the Chaplaincy Centre, NUI Galway. It is open to everyone: to book a place ☎ 091 495055 or email ben.hughes@nuigalway.ie



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION IN BOTH CHURCHES

Every Sundays in Lent: 3pm-4pm.

All are welcome. We would like to invite you to spend some time in prayer this Lent. 5 mins or 10 mins or whatever length of time up to one hour. Suggestions of things to pray for family, self, community, world peace, sick or those in need.



THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT YEAR C 20TH MARCH, 2022 - GROW IN HOLINESS

The gospel today has two parts; the first sees Jesus using two examples of bad things happening to people.

Our Lord is challenging the idea which was prevalent that if something bad happened to you then you must have done something wrong!

Jesus is very clear; ***Do you suppose these Galileans who suffered like that were greater sinners than any other Galileans? They were not, I tell you. Do you suppose that they were more guilty than all the other people living in Jerusalem? They were not, I tell you.***



Jesus is challenging the complacency of the people. There was a certain comfort for them in pointing to the misfortune of others as somehow a sign of their own virtue. That is sadly a temptation all of us face, the idea that if we put others down we raise ourselves up. This is not true however, for in putting others down, in speaking ill of other people, in looking down on other people we are really lowering ourselves. The first half of the gospel is telling us that in the eyes of God we are no better or worse than anyone else; we are all in need of God's mercy. Jesus strongly calls the people to repent, to turn away from their sins whatever they may be and to seek God's mercy.

The image of the fig tree shows us vividly what God's mercy means. In the second part of today's gospel God is represented not by the owner of the vineyard but by the gardener. The vineyard is usually a metaphor for the relationship between God and his people. The image of God as the gardener trying his best to make the fig tree bear fruit, not giving up on it, saying give it another year shows us how much God seeks to forgive us, seeks to bless us.

Maybe we don't think of our faith in that way, but this gospel points us to that truth. We are people who are growing, whatever our age, we are meant to bear the fruit of good works, yet so often we fail to do that. Our God, who loves and wants what's best for us, continues to work despite our failures. Our God does not give up on us. He wants what's best for us, Just as a fig tree is meant to bear fruit so we are meant to grow in holiness and bear the fruit of goodness.

Ennis Parish Newsletter – 20/03/2022

TREES

Let me tell you something about trees. They speak to each other. They speak to each other through tunnels that extend from



their roots, opened in the earth by fungus, sending their messages cell by cell, with a patience that could only be possessed by a living thing that cannot move. If a tree is starving, its neighbours will send it food. No one really knows how this can be, but it is.

Nutrients will travel in the tunnel made of fungus from the roots of a healthy tree to its starving neighbour, even one of a different species. Trees live, like you and me, long lives, and they know things. They know the rule, the only one that's real and must be kept.

What's the rule? You know. I've told you lots of times before. Be kind.

"From A Low and Quiet Sea" Donal Ryan

NATIONAL SCHOOLS ENROLMENT 2022/2023

GLENCORRIB NS: Enrolment forms and all other info can be found on the "Enrolment" tab of our school website www.glencorribns.ie

SHRULE NS: Please email the school office@shrulens.ie for further information. <http://www.shrulens.ie/>

KILROE NS For further information, please email the school kilroeschool@gmail.com or visit <https://www.kilroens.ie/>

BALLYCUSHION NATIONAL SCHOOL: Enrolment forms can be found on the "Enrol Now" tab on our website. <http://www.ballycushion.com>
Email: office@ballycushion.com

FOOTSTEPS PRESCHOOL @ Glencorrib NS, Glencorrib. ECCE preschool (2 Free Preschool Years) National Childcare Scheme available. Email edelfootstepspreschool@gmail.com or ☎ Helen 086-1717833

JUST A THOUGHT:

The other day, I was hanging out with a friend. This friend is a Christian but doesn't always act like one. Some days she's in line with God's Word, and some day's life's struggles get the best of her. As our eyes met I really wanted to say something about it but decided to let The Lord speak to her heart knowing nothing I could say would have the same impact as The Father's Word. So I prayed with her. And after some time passed I winked at her... And walked away from the mirror



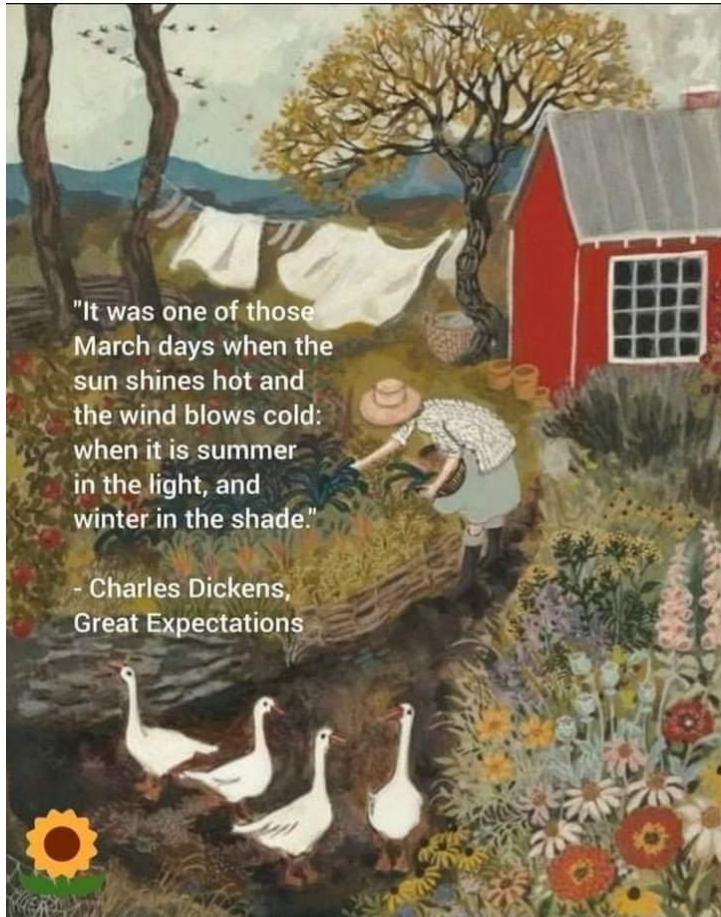
OUR CHURCHES

are open every day not just Sundays. Drop in for some quiet time, prayer and reflection. God want full custody not just weekend visits.



REMEMBERING YOUR LOVED ONES:

If you're loved ones from the parish are not listed in our weekly list and you would like them to be remembered, then please ☎ / Text 0863782156 or email glencorrib2000@gmail.com with their details. **"To be forgotten is to die twice"**



"It was one of those March days when the sun shines hot and the wind blows cold: when it is summer in the light, and winter in the shade."

- Charles Dickens, Great Expectations



The great thing about books is there are no commercials



The Grog

JUDGING OTHERS BY THEIR FASHIONS

I was sitting on a bus recently going through Dublin. Across from me and a few seats up, there was a man in his early twenties. He had a hairstyle that demanded attention and a couple of rings in his ear; he was wearing a leather jacket and heavy boots. If you saw him coming towards you on a lonely street at night you would be very uneasy and fully alert until he had passed by. But then, as we passed a church, he blessed himself. You don't see too many people doing that nowadays.

I don't know why we are letting such a simple but such a worthwhile custom die out. Perhaps we need to rediscover its value. Signing oneself passing a church is an act of Christian faith and a public witness to that faith and not just some old fashioned superstition for the elderly.

You can even think about it as a shorthand version of The Glory Be to the Father.

Francis McNamara, St Martin Magazine. www.DominicanPublications.ie



Everybody thinks I'm crazy.
They say, "You take the Jesus
thing too seriously."

Well I don't know, but Christ
took me pretty seriously when
he died for me on the cross.

CRSSC@ix.com

**When you're young,
you play with them.**



**When you get older,
you start losing them.**

Do good with intention not
for attention.



Uddy G. Mohite - Illustrations

**Remember when you'd
sneak out of the house
to go to parties?
Now I'm sneaking out
of parties to go home!**



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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, Shrle 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.

o **Shrle Church:**

• Bank: Ulster Bank Ireland DAC
Account Name: Shrle Church Finance Committee:
IBAN IE10ULSB98525010138070 and
BIC: ULSBIE2DXXX

o **Glencorrib Church:**

• Bank: Ulster Bank Ireland DAC
Account Name: Shrle 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 Shrle 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.

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION PRAYER:

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there, and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

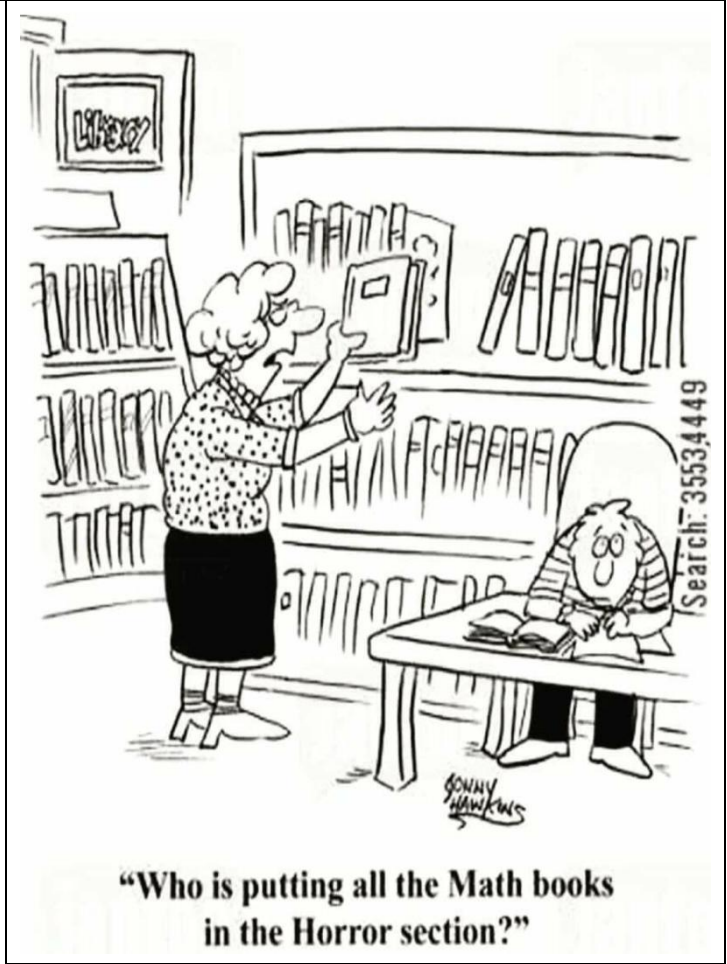
SHRLE PARISH OFFICE OPENING HOURS:

Shrle - Parochial House Tuesdays 10.30am to 12-noon

Glencorrib - Curates House (Sunny Days) Wednesdays 10.30am to 12-noon

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

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.



CHURCH & CREATIVITY- FINDING A WAY FORWARD

Hearing the call from Pope Francis - a new way forward through the process of consultation with all in the church (Synod). An exciting way to move forward from the Covid experience. Michael A. Conway is a priest of the diocese of Galway, who teaches Theology at St. Patrick's College, Maynooth, where he is Professor of Faith and Culture. He has studied both in science and in theology in Ireland, Italy, and Germany. As part of his work, he explores issues of faith and religion in contemporary European culture with a specific concern for the Irish situation. He gives talks regularly on the changing face of religion, spirituality, and faith throughout Ireland. Michael's presentation will explore the impact of Covid on Church life, paying attention to the possibilities that are now emerging in terms of: Discovering, setting up, and following a synodal path (the way Pope Francis invited us to plan the way forward in the church). Date: Wednesday March 30th. Time: 7.30pm Fee: Donation
 Venue: Croi Nua Spirituality Centre, Rosary Lane, Taylor's Hill, Galway (H91WY2A)
 Phone: 091 520960 or 087 2980564 Website: www.croinua.com Croi Nua Spirituality Centre



MAYO PPN FREE SPRING TRAINING COURSES 2022	Date	Time
Graphic Design Participants will be able to design eye catching posters, flyers and invitations for community events, using a free graphic design tool.	22 nd March & 29 th March	10am to 11.30am 7.30pm to 9pm
How to Manage your Social Media: This is for groups who al-ready have basic knowledge of how to post on Facebook, Instagram, but who want to improve their posting, reach and engagement. Not suitable for absolute beginners.	31 st March & 7 th April	10am to 11.30am 7.30pm to 9pm
Twitter: Twitter is the preferred medium for communicating with funders, local authorities, journalists, public agencies, influencers and for learning, sharing and interacting.	5 th & 12 th April	10am to 11.30am 7.30pm to 9pm

To book your chosen course, email mayoppn@mayococo.ie with your name and phone number. Places are limited and available to first come – first served basis.

SITUATIONS VACANT: CONNECTED HEALTH are looking to recruit caregivers throughout all areas of Mayo. Paying rates up to 16 euro PH plus travel. No experience required as full accredited training will be provided. Apply to info@connected-health.ie." Laura McNamara.



GLENCORRIB KILROE COMMUNITY CENTRE NEWS

To book the community centre please ☎ **Dell Maye on 087 7542740.**

It is now mandatory to book the hall before any meeting takes place. Thank You.

STAMP DONATIONS: You may have seen the box of stamps in Shrulle post office, or the box in Glencorrib church porch? These used stamps are collected by a religious order based in Dublin called 'Handmaids of the Sacred Hearts' who recycle the stamps so they can be sold to stamp collectors. The money raised from this is used to give financial support to various projects the order is involved in around the world. They have sent some booklets which are available in the church porches with information on the work they are able to do as a result of your support. Thank you for your kind support, and if you have not recycled your old stamps, maybe you will consider doing it now



Tried to pull up my sleeve and accidentally punched myself.
 It's okay, I've had it coming for some time now.

WHAT ELSE IS HAPPENING?

- One in five rugby players in New Zealand is a woman, and their numbers are rising.
- Some drivers say they find it hard to justify spending hours on the road as fuel costs continue to rise.
- A recent study in Australia showed that magpies - one of the cleverest avian species - had cooperated to remove trackers placed on them by scientists, a rare example of "altruistic rescue behaviour."

A WORD IN YOUR EAR

All over Europe, and in much of the rest of the world, people are praying for Ukraine. I recognise of course that there are many for whom prayer is a useless fantasy, and I can certainly understand their difficulties. But the number of people who pray is in fact far higher than those who go to church, mosque, temple or synagogue.

So, those who do pray, how should they (we) pray at a time like this? Perhaps the most influential spiritual writer of the mid 20th century was a German-American thinker and writer, Reinhold Niebuhr (pictured across). His writings had a major influence on top American academics and politicians, especially President Jimmy Carter and President Barack Obama. He famously wrote 'The Serenity Prayer,' now claimed by many self-help groups as their own:

***God grant me the serenity
to accept the things I cannot change,
The courage to change the things I can,
And the wisdom to know the difference.***

He composed a book of 'Consoling Prayers for Common Folk in Times of War.' The war in question at that time was World War II. The book was very popular at that time among Anglican and Evangelical Churches.

The prayers begin with a sense of solidarity and sorrow for everyone caught up in the conflict. "We pray this day, mindful of the sorry confusion of our world. Look with mercy on your children so steeped in misery of their own contriving."

Then of course he prayed for "The victims of tyranny, that they may resist oppression with courage", as he put it. But obeying what Jesus taught, he also prayed for the enemy, yet not as though they were totally dissimilar to ourselves.

We pray for wicked and cruel men, whose arrogance reveals to us what the sin of our own heart is like when it has conceived and brought forth its final fruit.

Then finally, we pray for ourselves, he said, "That we who live in peace and quietness may not regard our good fortune as proof of our virtue, or rest content to have our ease at the price of other people's sorrow and tribulation.

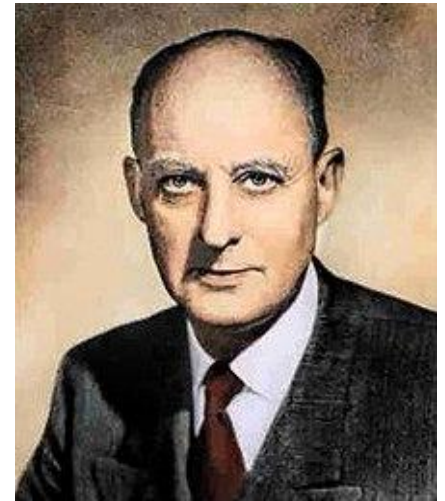
This is a form of prayer that binds us to all those caught up in the conflict and resists every kind of self-righteousness and complacency.

The great French scientist and philosopher Blaise Pascal (1623-1662) propagated a religious doctrine which taught that we arrive at our experience of God through the heart rather than through reason. He observed: "Jesus is in agony until the end of time."

For Christians the agony he now shares is in Ukraine. And that's why the simplest prayer is perhaps the best of all. Orthodox Christians in both Russia and Ukraine, divided as they are, will both be praying in solidarity with that agony using the Jesus prayer, one which has become much valued and used in the West in recent years.

It was popularised in particular by the Christian community of Taizé in France. The simple variant goes as follows: "Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have pity on us."

Fr. Dick Lyng OSA



THE CENSUS IS TAKING PLACE ON SUNDAY, 3 APRIL.

Census Enumerators are calling to every home in the country to deliver census forms from now until census day. They will return after census night to collect your completed form. Enumerators can help you with any census queries that you have, and there is more information at census.ie Census is carried out by the Central Statistics Office. The Enumerators wear yellow hi-viz jackets and carry an ID badge. It is very important that everyone is counted so we need householders to open their door to receive the form. A caller at the door can be unwelcome so I would appreciate your support to ensure the success of this important undertaking. The census is a count, and account, of Ireland's population on Census Night (Sunday 3 April 2022). By law, everyone in the country on that night must be included on a census form. Census data gives vital information to help plan for homes, schools, hospitals, transport, age related services and many other services that are needed in our communities and country. One of the great strengths of the census is that it shows the number of people living in each region, county, town and local area in Ireland, and provides detailed population figures at each level. These help to identify the demand for services both locally and nationally. Census returns are treated as strictly private and used only for statistical purposes.

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AID WORKERS MURDERED IN ETHIOPIA

In June last year, three aid workers for Doctors Without Borders suddenly vanished amid the conflict in northern Ethiopia. Their satellite phone went unanswered, and a tracking device showed their vehicle making a sudden U-turn and then stopping. The next day, their bullet-riddled bodies were found sprawled on a roadside near their burned-out vehicle.

Investigators stated the three aid workers had been gunned down by Ethiopian government troops on the orders of a commander who was infuriated to find them in an active combat zone.

Their deaths have underscored the specific perils facing aid workers in Ethiopia, where hunger and dislocation threaten millions even as the government seems to treat aid groups as enemies rather than allies. Since last July, senior U.N. officials have been expelled from Ethiopia. A punishing blockade on the region has also cut off food supplies to five million needy people.

Remembering their names: The aid workers were **María Hernández**, a 35-year-old Spaniard and conflict veteran; **Yohannes Halefom**, a 32-year-old Ethiopian medic, found face down in the dirt; and **Tedros Gebremariam**, 31, their Ethiopian driver.



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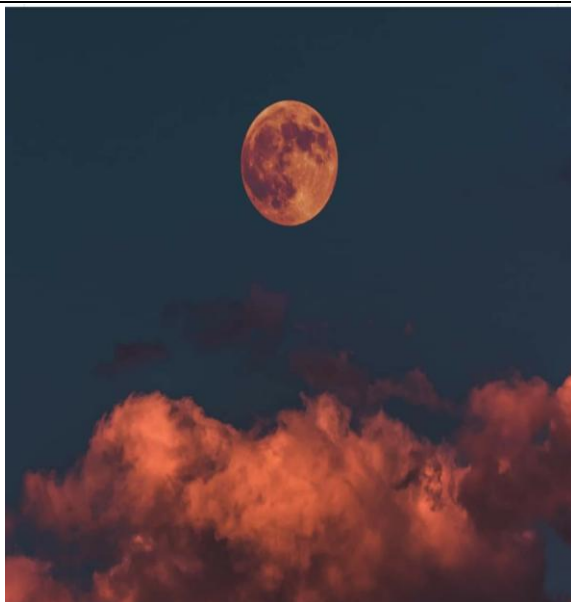
"NOPE... I TALK TO THE SHEPHERD."

TAKE MY HAND, O BLESSED MOTHER

Take my hand, O Blessed Mother
hold me firmly lest I fall;
I grow nervous while walking and
humbly on thee call.
Guide me over every crossing,
watch me when I'm on the stairs
let me know that you're beside me;
listen to my fervent prayers.
Bring me to my destination
safely along the way,
bless my every undertaking
and my duties for the day.
And when evening creeps upon me
I'll never fear to be alone:
once again, O Blessed Mother,
take my hand and lead me home.
Amen.

REMEMBER

As you watch the night sky, may you remember that the One who keeps the moon and the stars in place and upholds everything by His powerful word also upholds and surrounds you. May you find hope in the truth that God faces what you face with you and will not walk away.



SPRING HAS SPRUNG.
Enjoy the fine weather