

SHRULE & GLENCORRIB PARISH NEWSLETTER - SUNDAY 11th JUNE 2023Parish email: parishofshrule3@gmail.com Parish Web: www.shruleglencorrib.com

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Newsletter (Vol. 27 – 46) # 1,450 – Newsletter submissions: newsletter@shruleglencorrib.comExtended Newsletter Available at www.shruleglencorrib.com & www.mayo.ieAll Masses available on: **Radio**:101.4 FM – **Facebook**: Shrule Parish – **Web**: churchtv.ie**PARISH OFFICE****Shrule** - Parochial House, Tuesdays 10.30am to 12-noon**OPENING HOURS****Glencorrib** - Curates House (Sunny Days), Wednesdays 10.30am to 12-noon**CORPUS CHRISTI - (YEAR A) MASS DATES, TIMES & INTENTIONS****ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH, SHRULE - Dedicated 1832**

Sat	10th June	8.00 pm	Mary, Tom, and May Meenaghan , Cahernabruck
Sun	11th June	11.00 am	Pa & Mary Ryan
Tue	13th June	9.30 am	Eamon Reynolds, parents Jack & Nora Reynolds (nee Graney)
Wed	14th June	9.30 am	
Thu	15th June	9.30 am	Special Intention
Fri	16th June	7.00 pm	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament – 7pm to 7.55pm
		8:00 pm	Delia McWalter & Stephen Healy (Birthday Remembrance)
Sat	17th June	8.00 pm	Paddy & Julia Martyn & DM Martin & Graney Family
Sun	18th June	11.00 am	Fursey Walsh , Headford

CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, GLENCORRIB - Dedicated 1876

Sat	10th June	6:30 pm	Nellie & Willie Sheridan
Sun	11th June	9.30 am	Jack, Mary, Tommy Joe & Peg Donoghue Special Intention
Wed	14th June	10:10 am	
Fri	16th June	6:00 pm	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament – 6pm to 6.55pm
		7:00 pm	Delia Garvey & DM Garvey Family
Sat	17th June	6:30 pm	Michael & Nellie Hogan, & DM Hogan, Biggins & Phew Families Brendan Gannon , Kilroe
Sun	18th June	9.30 am	Seamus & Bernie Kilarine Patrick 'Pake' Gavin

CHURCH ROTAS FOR JUNE**LAY READERS** – Vigil Mass**LAY READERS** – Morning Mass**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS** - Vigil Mass**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS** - Morning**ALTAR SOCIETY****SHRULE**

Maura Mullin

Geraldine Casserly

Patricia Martyn

John Muldoon

Shrule/Churchfields

GLENCORRIB

Lisa Moran

Ashling Donnelly

Monica Ryan

Volunteer

Moynes/Toorard



Most Holy and Almighty God, we thank you and praise you for giving us the most precious body and blood of Your only son, Jesus Christ. Through the institution of the Sacrament of Holy Communion we are able to nourish our bodies and souls.

Men's NCT Health Day

Solas Family Resource Centre hold their annual Men's NCT Health Day at **St Furseys Hall**, Headford, on **Monday June 12th from 4pm to 8.00pm**. **Admission is FREE**, and all are welcome. This is the ideal opportunity for men of all ages to get their health and fitness checked out. Come along on the day and meet representatives from Croí, Pieta House, Healthy Galway, Marie Keating Foundation, Chime, Sexual Health West, AA, Mental Health Ireland and GA. Free Health and Fitness Check for men. Blood Pressure – Cholesterol – Diabetes – HIV Testing. We all know how important regular health checks are – especially as we get older. This is your chance to check the essentials and talk to the team about general health issues. After all, why should your car get all the love? Men's NCT. **Do the test – it's free!**



**GRETB
Headford Information
and Registration**

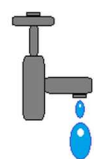
Tuesday 13th of

June from 10am - 12pm, for a wide range of free full time and part time courses starting Sept '23, including Childcare, Using Smart Phones, SNA, Digital Media & Technology, Career Preparation, Reading, Writing, All Levels of IT, ESOL, Train the Trainer.

Annaghdown LGFA are excited to host our first fundraising event in two years! **Loco Bingo takes place in Clarkes Tavern, Corrandulla, on Sat.17th June at 8.30pm.** Tickets are €10, and available now from all committee members or please contact 087 6431760 if you wish to purchase. Limited ticket availability on the night. Excellent prizes and a guaranteed night of fun - your support would be greatly appreciated.



VAKS PROGRAMME: Applications are now open for VAKS (Volunteer at Knock Shrine) programme. It is an opportunity for young people in TY, 5th and 6th year to come to Knock to volunteer for a weekend in either July or August. This is a great way to meet new friends, serve others, express your faith and have fun! For further information please contact Knock Youth Ministry on 094 9375321 or youthministry@knockshrine.ie



Glencorrib GWS - A Message for Members:

Water usage has increased with the fine dry weather which makes it difficult for us to find leaks, so we ask that everyone please check their own meters and land connections regularly. Unfortunately, we have to charge for excessive usage and leaks on your side of the meter. If you need any help reading your meter or want to report a leak, please contact us on; 087 7001695. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated, thank you.

Update on Parish Area Meetings:

You may have noticed that over the last number of weeks, the newsletter had the letter Pope Francis wrote this year on vocations. With the dramatic change in culture and in practice of faith (56% identify as Catholic in Galway city), the faith many experienced in the past will be radically different to the faith of the future. In recognition of the change, Bishop Micheal h begun to consult with clergy and laity of the diocese. Last week the last of the meetings of groupings of parishes in the Diocese of Galway, Kilmacduagh and Kilfenora took place. Over seven meetings more than 400 parishioners from each of our parishes attended with their priests to begin a facilitated discussion on the future of our parishes and our diocese. This process is ongoing. The following are the opening comments made by Bishop Michael at the meetings.

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Bishop Michael, Parish Group Gatherings, 2023

BISHOP MICHAEL'S WORDS:

Good evening and welcome! Thank you to the priests of this area and to all of you who have taken the time to attend. I would like to begin by 1) giving you a bit of background to the meeting, and 2) outlining what we might hope to get out of it.

Background

Last May, on the day of my installation as Bishop of Galway, Kilmacduagh and Kilfenora, I spoke about the current situation we find ourselves in as a faith community and expressed the hope that we would dialogue together – bishop, priests, religious and people – in order to plan for the future. Last November, I set up a small committee of priests to see how we might bring this idea forward. At the beginning of February, we began the process with a two-day meeting of the priests of the diocese at Spanish Point. At that meeting we agreed we needed to broaden the conversation and include the voice of our parishioners. As a result, we divided the diocese into seven groupings of parishes/chaplaincies and asked priests to invite a representative body of key parishioners to meet as we are doing this evening. This is just the beginning of a conversation: more dialogue and collective discernment will need to be undertaken as we move forward together.

Profoundly Positive about the Future

Let me preface what I am about to say by affirming that I am absolutely convinced that the times we live in are intensely blessed. Deep down, I am profoundly positive about the future of the Church. I believe that the Holy Spirit is powerfully active in our midst. Uprooting that which is no longer fruitful, planting new seeds, and pointing to new ways. My mother used to always say, "you do your bit and let God do the rest." So what might be "our bit" when it comes to planning for the future of our parishes and our diocese?

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Current Challenges

To throw the ball – let me paint a brief picture of the challenges of our current situation in 7 points:

1. For a variety of reasons, regular participation in our parishes has rapidly decreased over the last decade and looks likely to decrease even further into the future. While this is a reality in all our parishes, it is perhaps more obvious in small rural parishes than in larger urban ones.
2. For the most part, those participating regularly in the life of our parishes are advancing in age. It is a visible fact that there are fewer and fewer people in the pews between the ages of 20 and 50.
3. In many places, the decline in participation and the ageing of our congregations is resulting in a lack of volunteers and difficulty paying the bills.
4. At the moment, we do not have a single seminarian. Over the next twenty years or so we will be left with approximately 20 diocesan priests to serve 40 parishes and chaplaincies. At the moment, we have three parishes without a resident priest and more to follow?
5. There is only so much a single priest can do especially as we advance in age. Our hard-working priests have never had as much demands upon them. We simply cannot divide the same workload among fewer priests. Something has to give.
6. We do not have a long tradition of lay involvement and lay led faith communities; there is a great need for training and education so that laity can minister with insight and confidence.
7. While we need to celebrate Mass and the other sacraments and bury the dead, this will only maintain what we have and only for a limited time at that. Do we not need to focus on rekindling the faith, especially among the young and become more missionary in our practice?

“Freedom From” – “Freedom For”

We owe a debt of gratitude to the selfless work done over the years by our priests, religious, and key lay people. I believe that changing circumstances now mean there are many structures and practices that have served us well for a long time but are now no longer as fruitful as they once were. Let me elaborate a bit.

Do we need all the Masses we have at the moment? Does a priest need to do a lot of what he is currently engaged in – or could appropriately trained laypeople do some of it?

What role should our Parish Pastoral Councils play in shaping the future? Will we be able to keep open all the churches that we now have? Are there things that we are currently doing that we need to “free ourselves from” in order to be “free for” something better?

Would fewer Masses mean more people present, more people to take part and a more meaningful celebration for those who come? How might we ensure that our parishes are genuinely life-giving communities of faith rather than mere anonymous convenience stores where we go to pick up this or that spiritual product?

Could appropriately trained lay people do a lot more? How are we going to train suitable lay people? Who will do it? How will we pay for it? What of our outreach and ministry to the next generation – young people and young families?

Should we be focusing more on preparation for the sacraments? How can we have a more meaningful encounter with the bereaved, the sick, the poor, those on the margins of Church and society? We spend so much money on our buildings – by comparison how much money do we spend on people and faith enhancing initiatives?

Would groups of parishes working more closely with each other and sharing resources mean that they could do more together than they might be able to do on their own?

Ní neart go cur le chéile - there is a special strength when we come together with a common purpose.

Graced days to “do our bit”

Let me finish by repeating: I am not panicked or despondent. I am convinced that these days are “our days” – graced days to “do our bit”, to make wise choices and brave decisions that will with God’s help secure a bright, albeit different, future for the faith and for our faith communities. It is in this spirit that I welcome these gatherings. It is in this spirit that I hope we will all become involved in positively shaping the future not as passive spectators but as active participants.

Thank you so much for being here.

PCH uniforms:

D. Biggins, Ballinrobe, are delighted to announce that they are now official suppliers of PCH uniforms. Junior and senior cycle boys and girls uniforms will be available instore and online from early July.



Riddle me this:

Take away my first letter and I remain the same. Take away my last letter and I remain unchanged. Remove all my letters and I’m still me.

What am I?

(Last week’s answer: Take the F and E away from FIVE, leaving IV, which is the Roman numeral for four.)

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

Surname	Christian	Village	Date Died	Age	Cemetery
Thornton	Brigid	Ballynalty	10/06/1952	94	Moyne
Burke	Michael	Woodpark	10/06/1969	83	Shrulle
Biggins	Michael	Rosdaff	11/06/1961	79	Moyne
Donohue	Jack	Woodpark	11/06/1990	72	Moyne
Egan	Delia	Brodella	11/06/2013	98	Shrulle
Monaghan	Nora	Gortbrack	12/06/1914	28	Killursa
Gilmore	Catherine	Glasbally	12/06/1919	90	Killursa
Devaney	John	Badgerfort	12/06/1967	91	Shrulle
Heneghan	Thomas	Churchpark	12/06/1967	66	Shrulle
Reilly	Patrick	Dalgan	12/06/1980	78	Donaghpatrick
O'Sullivan	Edward(Eddie)	Gortbrack	12/06/1999	79	Killursa
Flood	Mary Teresa	Glencorrib	12/06/2010	85	Donaghpatrick
Reynolds	Eamonn Pierce	St. Ledger's Court	12/06/2022	56	Shrulle
Ronaldson	Jack	Shrulle	13/06/1988	75	Shrulle
Mc Donagh	Catherine	Ramolin	13/06/1950	63	Shrulle
Mc Donagh	Thomas	Longhill	13/06/1952	89	Shrulle
Shaughnessy	Mary	Ballisnahina	13/06/2005	83	Moyne
Hennelly	Mairead	Glencorrib	13/06/2014	89	Killursa
Lydon	Mary	New Ballynalty	14/06/1918	43	Killursa
Reilly	Margaret	Tubbersharave	14/06/1919	76	Kilmaine
Biggins	Patrick	Ballynalty	14/06/1941	17	Killursa
King	Mrs.	Glasvally	14/06/1941		Killursa
Ryan	Mary	Gurteen	14/06/2003	66	Shrulle
Garvey	Delia	Toorard	14/06/2012	95	Moyne
Greaney	Margaret	Cloonamealtogue	15/06/1927	29	Shrulle
Garvey	Nora	Rosdaff	15/06/1941		Moyne
Gaynard	Thomas	Ballisnahina	15/06/1946		Shrulle
Connor	Patrick	Rosdaff	15/06/1965	86	Moyne
Reilly	Patrick	Brodella	15/06/1985	55	Shrulle
Meenaghan	Patrick	Cahernabruck	16/06/1921	45	Shrulle
Biggins	Mrs.	New Ballynalty	16/06/1938	64	Killursa
Murphy	Kitty	Ballsbridge (Mochorra)	16/06/1992	79	Shrulle
Moran	Mary	Glencorrib	16/06/2003	84	Shrulle
Sheridan	Nellie	Ballisnahina	16/06/2019	100	Shrulle
Gannon	Brendan	Kilroe	17/06/2004	36	Moyne
Keville	John Joe	Moyne	17/06/2005	89	Moyne
Murphy	Dick	St.Mary's Road.	17/06/2014	97	Shrulle
Connor	Patrick	De Clifford St.	18/06/1930	7	Shrulle
Kenny	Margaret	Toorard	18/06/1954		Moyne
O'Dowd	Del	Shrulle	18/06/2004	78	Shrulle

Cong Food Village Festival Sat 8th & Sun 9th July 2023!

This is an event not to be missed, the largest Food Festival in Mayo. Farmer and Craft Market on both days boasting the best food and craft producers. Food Truck Heaven, Heritage & History Tours, Cooking Demos with Jeeny Maltese, Sarah Butler at Home, Ready Steady Cook, Ralph & Norah on Food, The Hungry Hooker and many more. The Newport Shepherds, Novelty Games, Corrib Safari, Corrib Cruises and many other events. For the Mini Cong Food Villagers, we have Drumadore Drumming School, Cupcake Making with Silvia, Fuinneog Woodland Games, Face Painting and more.

For more information visit: <http://congfoodvillage.com/>

**Prayer for Pope Francis as he recovers from surgery:**

Heavenly Father, we pray for the Pope's swift recovery from abdominal surgery. Grant him strength, comfort, and healing. Guide the medical team and bless them with wisdom. May our Holy Father's restoration be a testimony to Your power. Through Christ our Lord, we pray. Amen.

PLEASE SUBMIT ITEMS FOR THE NEWSLETTER BY 8PM THURSDAY