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Mass intentions

Sat 2nd August: No intention

Sat 9th August : Joseph & Masie Newman, children
Oliver, Loretta, daughter in law Jackie & Kit and Lilly
Newman.

Knock Novena 2025.

The annual 9 day novena to our Lady of Knock will begin on the 13th of August and conclude on the 21st, the theme being 'Pilgrims Of Hope', ceremonies each day at 3pm & 8pm. Among the guest speakers will be Bishop Kevin Moran, Eileen Dunne, Breda Casseerly and Fr Niall Leah. If you can't make the trip to Knock why not join them via their Webcam, all ceremonies will be broadcast live at 3/ 8.

Catholic Headlines:

1: Lebanese twin brothers turn tragedy into calls for action for middle east Christians. 2: Woman sentenced to prison after 'Tom Hearty' church fraud scheme. 3: Islamic state-backed rebels attack a catholic church in east Congo, killing at least 34 catholics 4: Warsaw archbishop asks Vatican to defrock a Polish priest charged with killing a homeless man. 5 Despite the rainy weather, Catholics in a Paraguayan town dress as birds to honour their patron saint 6: Knights on bikes: Drinking beer, riding motorcycles, and sharing the faith. 6: He's a real American: Bill aims to protect Pope's US citizenship. 7: Gen-Z 'spiritual on the rise?'

Medjugorje pilgrimage 2025

The annual pilgrimage to Medjugorje will take place from the 8th/15th October, Fr PJ Huges and Fr Jomon acting as spiritual directors. Departing from Knock airport, cost of the pilgrimage is 850 euros which covers, flights, accommodation, taxes and transfers as well meals. For more information or to book a place contact Jerry on 087-4309096, places limited

Offertory collection:

Streete	310	Thank
Ratghowen	339	You

Mass intentions

Sunday 3rd August: Joe Kelly.

Sunday 10th August: Dec member Farrell family, Cauan
Christina & William Manning.

Saintly wisdom 'Sacraments'

"The gift is bestowed through what is a tangible thing....but what is accomplished is perceived by the mind.....If you were incorporeal, God would have given you these incorporeal gifts naked, but since the soul is intertwined with the body, He hands over to you in tangible things that which you must and can only perceive with the mind. The spiritual virtue of a holy sacrament is like light: Although it passes among the impure it is not polluted"..... (Saint John Chrysostom)

A little theology (Tithing)

The term tithing comes from a practice of giving 10% of your income to support the mission of the church, it had its origins in the Jewish religion and was and in some cases still expected in certain protestant churches. The catholic church does not ask or require a Tithe (10%), but all catholics are obliged to be generous in supporting the work of the church, through their financial contributions. Individuals should give according to their means in a spirit of generosity. The church also teaches that giving to the church can involve more than just financial contributions, individuals are encouraged to offer their time & talent to support the proclamation of the good news of Jesus.

Mass book 2026.

Anyone wishing to arrange an anniversary mass for 2026 can do so now, the 2026 diary has arrived. Mass intention for up to 3 families can be said at any mass, however for a months mass and first anniversary mass there will be only one mass intention, this is to recognise the closeness of the loss and to appreciate the loss which may be still very raw. To arrange a mass call in after any mass or call Fr Pierre.

Jubilee of Youth-Rome

Over 600 young Irish catholics joined 500,000 other young men and women in Rome this past week to share and rejoice in their catholic faith, it is part of the Jubilee Year celebrations being in 2025. Pope Leo joined the pilgrims for Mass, Prayer and many other events, including a spectacular concert and light show on Sat.