PRIEST ON DUTY: FR. SEAMUS O'ROURKE C.C. 071-9620118 MASSES FOR SATURDAY 4th & SUNDAY 5th SEPTEMBER

ST.MARY'S Sat Vigil 8pm: Bernard Murray & his mother Mena (Anniv)

9am:Sr. Inez Kenny (Months Mind) 10.30am: Tom Daly (Anniv) Jamestown 12 noon: Martin O'Gorman (Anniv)

MASSES FROM MONDAY 6th to SATURDAY 11th SEPTEMBER

ST.MARY'S: Monday 8pm:

Tuesday 10am: Thanksgiving mass for the 100th Anniversary of the Legion of

Mary, and the life of Frank Duff.

Wednesday 10am: Thursday 10am: Friday 8pm: Saturday 10am:

LEITRIM Tuesday 8pm: John & Mary & Elizabeth Mulvey (Anniv)

GOWEL Friday 7pm: Fr. Michael Rigney (20th Anniv)

MASSES FOR SATURDAY 11th & SUNDAY 12th SEPTEMBER

Sat Vigil 8pm: Paddy Duignan, his parents Willie & Mary Kate and his son Conan (Anniv)

9am:

10.30am: Tommie O'Rourke & deceased members of the O'Rourke family

12 noon: Mary O'Brien (Months Mind)

PARISH NOTICES

CONFIRMATION for 6th Class of 2021 has been given the go-ahead:

Gaelscoil Liatroma on Saturday 11th September at 11.30am in St. Mary's. Scoil Mhuire on Saturday 18th September at 11.30am in St. Mary's.

This will take the same format as last year, with parents, sponsor and child only.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK: The annual diocesan pilgrimage to Knock will not take place this year due to the continuing restrictions. Bishop Francis Duffy will celebrate Mass at Knock Shrine on Sunday 5th September 2021 at 3.00pm. The Mass will be livestreamed at www.knockshrine.ie

DEATHS: We pray for the happy repose of the soul of Billy Moriarty (Ck on Shannon & formerly of Thurles, Co. Tipperary) who died recently.

LEGION OF MARY: On Tuesday 7th September in St.Mary's at 10am a thanksgiving mass will be celebrated for the 100th Anniversary of the founding of the Legion of Mary; for the life of its founder Frank Duff & for its revitalisation. The first meeting of the Legion of Mary took place on 7th September 1921.

SEASON OF CREATION 2021 (1st September-4th October).

The theme this year is 'Restoring Our Common Home'. During this season we are asked to join together to celebrate creation and protect our common home through prayer, reflection and action.

The global Christian family is called to awaken to the urgent need to heal our relationships with creation and with each other and to encourage our parish communities to do the same, "for we know that things can change!" (*Laudato Si*, 13).

A prayer for our earth from Laudato Si'

All-powerful God, you are present in the whole universe and in the smallest of your creatures. You embrace with your tenderness all that exists.

Pour out upon us the power of your love, that we may protect life and beauty.

Fill us with peace, that we may live as brothers and sisters, harming no one.

O God of the poor,

help us to rescue the abandoned and forgotten of this earth, so precious in your eyes. Bring healing to our lives, that we may protect the world and not prey on it, that we may sow beauty, not pollution and destruction.

Touch the hearts of those who look only for gain at the expense of the poor and the earth. Teach us to discover the worth of each thing, to be filled with awe and contemplation, to recognize that we are profoundly united with every creature as we journey towards your infinite light. We thank you for being with us each day.

Encourage us, we pray, in our struggle

for justice, love and peace. Amen.

SAINT MARY'S CEMETERY DONATION APPEAL

The loss for the second consecutive year of the annual church gate collection which was the sole annual revenue stream for the committee, and in order to ensure a high maintenance service within the cemetery all year round and to fund other projects which may arise as well, the committee would like to give grave owners the opportunity to make a donation to the cemetery funds. Those wishing to donate can do so to Seán Murray (0861266738), Seán Duignan, Kathleen Flanagan, Seán Gill, Michéal O'Rourke, or by leaving your donation at the Parish Office. A sincere thank you to those who contributed €1,465 to the 2020 appeal (down from the 2019 figure of 4,910).

We reluctantly make this appeal conscious of the strain the Covid-19 pandemic has put on all our finances.

We hope to reschedule our AGM sometime during the month of September.