

St Joseph's Church	St Michael's Church		
Mon – Fri 10.00 am Sat 1 <sup>st</sup> Holy Communion Mass 10am & 12.	Thursday & Friday 9.20 am		
Saturday Vigil 6 pm Sunday 9.00, 10.30; 12.00	Sunday 10.00 am		

St Joseph's Church Adoration Mon night 8.30 pm - 9.30 pm. Fri 10 am - 10 pm. St Michael's Church Thursday 10 am - Noon

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## Jesus: the Way, the Truth and the Life

The sages of India prayed every morning centuries before Christ the "Shanti Mantra" ("Mantra prayer of peace") taken from Brihadaranyaka Upanishads (1.3.28), composed in 700 BCE, in the Sanskrit language: "From falsehood lead me to truth, from darkness lead me to light, from mortality lead me to immortality". Centuries later Jesus says he is the answer to their prayer: "I am the Way, the Truth and the Life." In fact, Jesus took three of the great basic concepts of the Jewish religion, and made the unique claim that in him all the three found their full realization. This means that he is the surest way to God. He can authoritatively teach us truths about God and he can give God's life to us. John's central message is that Jesus is both the revealer and the Revelation of God. If we wish to know who God is, what God thinks and what God wants of us, we must attend to Jesus the Word of God. The Jesus of the Gospel does not only show us the way – his life of humble and generous servanthood is the way;

he does not just philosophize about a concept of truth – he is the perfect Revelation of the truth about a God of enduring and unlimited love for his people; he is not just a preacher of futuristic promises – he has been raised up by God to a state of existence in God to which he invites all of us. In embracing the Spirit of his Gospel and living the hope of his Word, we encounter, in Christ, the Living God.

Deaths: Sincere sympathy to the families, relatives and friends of Tadgh Noonan, Arderrow, Christina Phelan, Tivoli Woods and Anne Cronin, Manor Court whose funerals took place last week.

The SMA National Novena in honour of Our Lady of Knock will begin on Friday 19th May at the African Missions Church, Blackrock Road, and will close with our Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine on 27th May. The Novena will be celebrated each eveing at 7.30 (except Sat 27th May at 7 pm.)

All Ireland Rosary Rally Knock Shrine Saturday 3rd June. (25th Anniversary of Fr Payton) Centenary Year of Fatima. Bus leaving Patrick's Quay at 7.00 am. Contact Denise 086 0502727.

Annual mass for the deceased will take place in Caherlag Graveyard on Friday May 26th at 7.30 pm all welcome.

At our first meeting to discuss how we as a parish should organize a pro-life response to recent events arising from the Citizens Assembly there was a strong feeling that we should organize a pro-life group within the parish. A meeting will take place on Monday 22nd, 8pm in the Pastoral Room to discuss its formulation.

Off. 7 <sup>th</sup> May	St Joseph's	€1,163	St Michael's	€205	Total €1,368
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Annual collection for the Diocesan Pastoral Development Office takes place today. This collection funds the cost of training for Parish Assemblies, resourcing parish ministries such as Parish Catechists, RCIA teams, Baptism Preparation Teams, and ongoing formation for clergy, religious and laity.

Upper Glanmire Community Association EGM, Tuesday May 30th 8.30 pm, Community Hall. All are welcome to attend.

Cork Maths Circle 2017 Revision Courses: (Tel. 0851611573 after 6pm only). Junior Certificate Higher Saturday May 27<sup>th</sup>/June 3<sup>rd</sup> and Leaving Certificate Ordinary Monday May 29<sup>th</sup> from 11-6p.m each day, given by experienced teachers/ exam correctors, covering exam questions on papers 1 and 2.