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### FEAST OF THE ASCENSION

#### COVID19

This is the first bulletin in exactly two months, last bulletin was Sun 22nd April.

#### **CHURCH OPENING**

Thanks to all who put their names on the Rota for church opening this past week. Official hours are being extended by two extra hours in the morning.

Mon 25th to Sun 31st May: 11.00 am to 1.00 pm and 3.00 to 6.00 pm.

# St Joseph Young Priest Society Virtual Pilgrimage

Our Annual Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine will not take place. However, a Virtual pilgrimage will take place instead on Sunday 28" June which will include Holy Rosary at 2.30 p.m. Holy Mass at 3.00 p.m. followed by Benediction. The ceremonies will be streamed live on the Knock website www.knockshrine.ie. Your prayers for vocations to the priesthood and Religious Life have never been more necessary so please keep up your efforts in this regard.

# Knock Shrine offers virtual pilgrimages in unique times

Knock has always been a place of welcome, sanctuary and sacredness. Its role as Ireland's National Marian Shrine makes it a symbol of unity, family and togetherness. Since 1880, pilgrimage groups have made their way to Knock, bringing with them their prayers and petitions. Special pilgrimage Sundays have long been a central part of the annual calendar at Knock Shrine and the season traditionally begins on the last Sunday in April.

This year, as we find ourselves in unique and challenging times, pilgrimage Masses will be broadcast

online from Knock Basilica every Sunday at 3pm. Each weekend, there will be a special welcome for the pilgrimage groups that traditionally travel to our National Marian Shrine for their own celebrations.

Pilgrims are welcome to join the afternoon ceremonies from their homes. The schedule for the afternoon will include the praying of the Rosary at 2.30pm, followed by Mass and Benediction at 3pm. The celebrant will be Fr. Richard Gibbons. PP. Rector at Knock Shrine. In advance of the clay, pilgrims may place their petitions online on the Knock Shrine website and these will be placed on the altar for the Mass. Many pilgrims light candles for loved ones and their intentions during their visit to Knock Shrine and this service is also available online. A candle will be lit at the outdoor candelabra for each request received.

Daily Masses continue to be broadcast on the Knock Shrine website and Facebook page at 12 Noon and 7.30pm, with Rosary at 7pm. Sunday Mass is broadcast at 12 noon, Rosary at 2.30pm and Mass at 3pm. For further details, please see www.knockshrine.ie.

### Prayer for a Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament of the altar. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment 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

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