

Burrishoole Parish

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A Learning Curve

For the past year my sister and I have been doing up our family home in Westport. It has been a huge learning curve and a very slow process. We have learnt over the months that everything takes time and to trust the professionals, because in the end they do know best.

Patience has been a virtue but we have now got to the point of buying some things for our almost finished house... and so a visit to Ikea was organised.

I say a visit, but it really is a Camino like pilgrimage (with its own arrows to follow). It was my first experience and the first thing that strikes you is the sheer size of the place. It is massive! Arriving about 11.30am we headed straight for a coffee and a slice of cake. A good start. Then began our 'pilgrimage', following the assigned route through the store. After about 30 minutes I was bored out of my mind but there seemed no way back – the only way was forward through the myriad of showrooms and displays.

The place has a way of getting into you. Almost without noticing you begin to imagine all the beautiful things in your house. "Wouldn't that look lovely there?", "How about this in the kitchen?". Before we knew it, we had two trolleys full of stuff and that was before we landed in the warehouse section filled with flatpacks!

Finding the flatpacks was exciting! It was as if some primordial hunter-gatherer instinct was awoken in me as I searched the long bays for my quarry. For some strange reason I was filled with unbounded pride on finding the correct coded cardboard box! A triumph!

Of course, it never struck me that the car, parked neatly in the underground carpark, was far too small for two trolleys full of stuff plus the flatpacks. However, luckily enough I wasn't the first to have made this pilgrimage, and Ikea had considerately provided a delivery service (at a cost) for the likes of me. And so, having bought much more than we needed and having spent much more than we should, we headed for the car at 4pm.

Building may well be a slow and arduous process, but have you ever tried to put an Ikea flatpack together? The learning curve we had been on came to a shuddering halt: everything would take lots of time but yours truly is no professional!

The plan was to go slowly and methodically: lay everything out on the floor, sort the screws and nails into various groupings, and then follow the instructions. That was the plan – the reality was something totally different!

Although the instructions were laid out in minute detail and Ikea had thoughtfully given cartoon pictures of each step, it was very difficult to distinguish between the various parts and the size and shape of the screws. Proceeding with caution, and with only a few minor mistakes along the way the first piece of furniture began to take shape. After three hours, a lot of huffing and puffing and a few expletives it was time to put the top in place. It didn't quite fit but with a little bit of gentle persuasion it finally screeched into place.

We stood back to admire our handiwork only to find to our horror that the whole thing was back to front! An hour later the first bedside locker was completed, only another three to go.

They say you learn something new every day.

God Bless, Fr Tod

Corpus Christi

Corpus Christi falls on Sunday, June 11th this year. The parish Procession will take place, weather permitting, at Burrishoole Abbey at 7pm. Our First Communion and Confirmation children will lead the Procession from the old graveyard to the Abbey where Benediction will be offered.

First Friday

Next Friday is the First Friday. Visits to the sick and housebound will take place on Thursday in the Mulranny, Tiernaur and Shramore areas with visits in the Newport area taking place on Friday.

May Rosary

May is the traditional time when communities gather and pray the Rosary at the local Grotto. This Sunday May 28th at 7pm you are invited to join your community at your local grotto for the recitation of the Rosary.

Exam Mass

We will celebrate our annual Exam Mass on Monday June 5th at 7pm. All students, together with their families, who are preparing for Leaving Certificate or Junior Certificate exams and invited to attend.

Gráinne Uaile Festival Bucket Collection

Newport Grainne Uaile Festival Committee are holding a bucket collection in Newport Town on Saturday, June 3 between 9am and 6pm to raise funds for the festival. If you are free for an hour or two your help would be greatly appreciated, Please contact Carol at 0862536433 or Hayley at 086 401 9315, or any member of the Festival Committee.

Heritage/Cultural Group

Newport Heritage/Cultural Group is excited to be holding its next meeting on Thursday, June 1 at 8pm in Newport Tourist Office, Georges Street. The hope is to establish a Heritage Centre in Newport. The next step is to form an official committee in order to start applying for funding. All are welcome. For further information please email newportmayohc@outlook.com.

Mayo Older Persons Council

Mayo Older Persons Council invites you to Mayo's OPC Information Day on Wednesday, 31st May in the Park House Hotel, Kiltimagh, 10.30am to 2pm (Registration time from 09.45). For further details please email agefriendlymayo@mayococo.ie or phone 094-9064735 All welcome

Hospice Sunflower Day

Mayo Roscommon Hospice will hold its annual Sunflower event on Friday, June 9, and Saturday, June 10. If you are free for an hour or two on either of these days and would like to help this worthy cause please call Helen at 087 226 3540 or Margaret at 086 833 5394. All assistance is greatly appreciated.

Seán Mhic Pháidín Rambling House.

All teenagers and adults are welcome to come to The Bridge Inn, Newport, on Mon, 29th May for an evening to revive the old Irish tradition of people coming together to be entertained by songs, recitations, stories, jokes, music, and dance. A cup of tea and light refreshments will be served at half time. Why not come along and enjoy the ceol, caint agus craic.

Burrishoole Graveyard

Burrishoole Graveyard Committee continue their graveyard clean-ups every Tuesday at 7pm; All welcome and in advance of the Corpus Christi procession it would be wonderful to have a representative from each home in the area join in.

Newport Bingo

No winner of the jackpot on May 24; new jackpot of €350, in 46 calls or less this Wednesday in Hotel Newport. 8pm sharp; all welcome

Community Choir

The Community Choir are inviting new members to join them. Whether you already sing with a choir or not you are more than welcome to join. Contact Joanne on 087 6755543.

Remembering our Dead

We pray for the soul of Jim McManamon, Skirdagh who died recently. May he rest in peace

Weekday Masses at 10am

Mon-Tiernaurl/Tues/Thurs-Newport Fri-Mulranny
Margaret Kealy, Castlebar Rd.

Weekend Masses

Saturday May 27th Tiernaurl at 7pm

Nora and Frank Moran, their son Gerard and grandson Liam. Bridgie and Sony Mulloy.

Sunday May 28th Newport at 10am

Mary, Kathleen and Nancy O Boyle. Thomas Walsh, Comploon and England. Una Lavelle, Shanvalleyhue and her parents Winnie and Johney Mc Donnell.

Sunday May 28th Mulranny at 11.30am

Thomas Walsh, Comploon. Aiden Geraghty, Derrygarve

Friday June 2nd Shramore at 7pm

Maureen Chambers, husband Neil and deceased members of the Chambers and Rooney families. Paddy and Josephine Kilkerr, daughter Doloures and daughter in law Marry. Mark Cusack, London. Nellie Ryan, Trienbeg.

Saturday June 3rd Tiernaurl at 7pm

Pat Chambers, Derrycoultrim and his wife Nora. Fr Attie Devine and family. Deceased members of Burrishoole Walking Group.

Sunday June 4th Newport at 10am

Martin and Annie Geraghty, and deceased family members, Cortoon. Deceased members of the Burke family, Ardagh and Caine family, Shraloggy.

Sunday June 4th Mulranny at 11.30am

The People of the Parish.