NEWSLETTER FOR PASTORAL UNIT 1



St Nicholas Parish

Mass Time Sunday 10.00am

Parish Live Streaming of Masses

from St Nicholas Church; log onto https://www.churchservices.tv/limerickstnicholas

or via the parish website; www.saintnicholasparish.ie

St Mary's Parish



Mass Times
Saturday Vigil 5.00pm Sunday 11.30am
Monday to Friday Morning Mass 10.00am
Parish Live Streaming of Masses
from St Mary's Church; log onto

https://www.churchservices.tv/limerickstmaryscatholicchurch

Saturday 10th & Sunday 11th May 2025 Year of Hope

Clergy Contact Fr Richie Davern 0872977500 Salesian Sisters 061-348510



Baptisms are held in **St Nicholas Church** on the last Saturday in the month.

Baptisms are held in **St Mary's Church** on the 1st & 3rd Saturday in the month at 4pm *Contact the Parish Office for more information and a Baptism Enrolment form.*



St Nicholas Parish Office

Open Monday & Thursday 9.30am -1.30pm Email: saintnicholasparishoffice@gmail.com

Phone: 061-341300 **St Mary's Parish Office**

Open Wednesday & Friday 10.30am-1.00pm

Email:stmarysparishlk@outlook.com

Phone: 061-416300

You can contact the office if you wish to book a mass, order a cert or leave in your offerings to support your church. With Sympathy Mass cards & Mass Bouquet cards are also available from the Parish Office

PARISH FACEBOOK:

www.facebook.com/Saintnicholasparish/ www.facebook.com/p/St-Marys-Catholic-Parish-Limerick

Parish News

We encourage local groups in the area to avail of the Weekly Newsletter to promote upcoming events To include your notice, please send details for both parishes to saintnicholasparishoffice@gmail.com with NEWSLETTER in the heading

Our Newsletter is printed every Thursday at 12noon. Items received after this time will not be included

Information and Support for Birth Mothers whose babies were placed for adoption may be found at www.birthinfo.ie or by calling TUSLA at +353818445500



We offer our condolences to the family of Shay Bedford R.I.P. Marie Cleary R.I.P. Mark Woodland R.I.P. Thomas Ryan Jnr R.I.P. Pat Rowe R.I.P. Connie Kerley R.I.P. May they rest in eternal peace, Amen

Mass Intentions St Mary's Church

Saturday 5.00pm

Gordon Manning (M.M.) Jack McNamara (19th Anniv)

Ann Collis née Cosgrove (18th Anniv)

Peggy Ryan & grandchild Iofa Margaret (14th & 7th Anniv) Marie Sheehy (1st Anniv)

Sunday 11.30am

Mary & Joseph Laffan (Anniv)

Mass Intentions St Nicholas Church

Sunday 10.00am

Pro Populo

Prayer for the sick:

Let us continue to pray for those who are ill at this time, those who are preparing for and awaiting results of tests and those in hospital. Lord Jesus, you are the true friend of all those who suffer anguish and pain in spirit, mind or body. Please share with them now the gift of your consoling love.

Prayer for when I can't receive Holy Communion

Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are in the Blessed Sacrament.
I love You above all things, and I long for You in my soul.
Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.
As though You have already come, I embrace You and unite myself entirely to You; never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

Parish Pastoral Council meet on a monthly basis. If you would like to raise any items/ issues or suggestions at a meeting, please send by email to the relevant Pastoral Council
St Nicholas Parish Pastoral council email:
PPCStNicholas@gmail.com
St Mary's Parish Pastoral Council email;
stmarysparishlk@outlook.com



The collection for weekend 3rd & 4th May amounted to; €1310 in St Mary's Church (including Shrines) €505 in St Nicholas Church €594 donations to Trócaire

We are very thankful for your continued generosity, and grateful for your loyalty and support.

Trócaire Lenten Appeal. If you have not already returned your contribution for the Annual Lenten Appeal, please do so as soon as possible. To-date the combined total of both Churches amounts to €15,450

We are extremely thankful for your donation.

Easter Dues Thank You to all who returned a Dues envelope for the support of our priest. Your contribution is very much appreciated.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL collection is held after Mass on the first weekend each month

Making a donation to the church by bank transfer St Mary's Church Account

IBAN: IE11 AIBK 9352 4794 4621 73 BIC: AIBKIE2D

St Nicholas Church Account

IBAN: IE84 BOFI 9045 9525 8744 17 BIC: BOFIIE2D

. St Nicholas Parish Meditation Group

"...Let us go to a quiet place and rest a while"

Our parish meditation group meets every Tuesday at 10.45am in St. Nicholas' prayer chapel.

Everyone is welcome.



ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

St Mary's Church Wednesday 10.30am-11.30am (after Mass)

St. Nicholas Flame of Love Cenacle

Tuesday 7.00-8.30pm St Nicholas Prayer Chapel New members welcome, under 18's cannot be facilitated until further notice. For more information; www.flameoflove.ie or call Rachel 0857536504.

Grow - Grow Mental Health, Friendly Community based peer support groups for anyone experiencing mental health issues. Meetings in 33 Henry Street, Limerick and Croom. Contact Celia 086-1526966/ Danielle 086-1588626/www.grow.ie



Please keep in your thoughts and prayers at this time the children of Scoil İde school who will make their First Holy Communion this Saturday 10th May and also next Saturday 17th May. A big thank you to the wonderful teachers who along with the parents/ guardians and the parish community who helped prepare the children for this special sacrament.

Ordination to Priesthood

The Ordination to the Priesthood of **Tim Collins** (from Croagh) will take place in St John's Cathedral on Sunday 11th May. We ask you to keep Deacon Tim in your prayers as he prepares for his Ordination. Rev Tim will continue to minister for now in the parish of Raheen/Mungret/Crecora You are welcome to attend the ordination ceremony at St. John's Cathedral on May 11th at 3.00 pm.

Holy Hour for Vocations

The last in the series of four Holy Hours for Vocations at St. John's Cathedral takes place on Wednesday 21 May, 2025 from 7:30 - 8:30 pm All welcome

Limerick Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes

Final places are now available on our upcoming Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage

Dates: 18-24 June, departing from Shannon In particular we limited places available for Assisted Pilgrims. We are also seeking the help from registered nurses to volunteer.

Contact Karen at Limerick Diocesan Office 061-350000

The Jubilee Year of Youth is fast approaching. Limerick Diocese will take a group of 18 - 30-year-olds to Rome from July 28th to August 4th. This will be a great opportunity to be one of the first groups to meet our new Pope as well as visit the place of rest of Pope Francis. The cost is €850. Please register before Friday May 16th. For more information contact James in the Diocesan Office 061-350000 by Friday

National Sunflower Days that will be taking place on Friday 6th & 7th June 2025, with funds raised from the event in aid of Milford Hospice. The income we receive from fundraising events such as Sunflower Days assist us in expanding and continuing to provide the highest quality of care for patients and families throughout the Midwest Region. Should you have any questions or queries, or if people would like to help on Sunflower Days, please contact the Fundraising Department on 061 485859.