



ST NICHOLAS PARISH NEWS:

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OFFICE OPENING TIMES:



Monday and Thursday 9.30am -1.30pm for Church related enquiries.

If you wish to book a mass, order a cert or leave in your offerings to support your parish, please phone or call at opening times to the office, based at St Nicholas Church, Westbury.

With Sympathy mass-cards & Christmas Mass Bouquet cards are now available from the Parish Office.

Email: saintnicholasparishoffice@gmail.com

Phone: 061 341300

The Parish Office will be closed on Thursday 20th April

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday to Wednesday 9.45am

St Munchin's College Chapel.



WEEKEND MASSES

Sat.6pm, Sun.10.30am, St Nicholas' church

Sun 12 noon , St Munchin's College Chapel

PARISH LIVE STREAMING MASSES

Masses from St Nicholas Church can be viewed live via the parish webcam at the parish website www.saintnicholasparish.ie

or <https://www.churchservices.tv/limerickstnicholas>

You can download the free app from the App store and click on St Nicholas church in the Limerick section.

Newsletter



ITEMS FOR NEWSLETTER

We are looking for volunteers to help with producing the newsletter. If you are interested and for more information, contact the parish office.

We encourage local groups in the area to avail of the newsletter to promote upcoming events, please send details to

saintnicholasparishoffice@gmail.com with NEWSLETTER in the heading.

PARISH FACEBOOK:

www.facebook.com/Saintnicholasparish/

PARISH MEDITATION GROUP

"Be still and know...."

Our meditation group meets every Tuesday at 10.30am in St. Nicholas' church prayer space.

Everyone is welcome. All you have to do is turn up "close your eyes and get out of Gods way".

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.

WEEKLY COLLECTION:

Many thanks for your continued loyalty and support to the parish.

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

St Nicholas Parish Pastoral Council meets on a monthly basis. If you would like to raise any items/ issues or suggestions at a meeting you could email them to:



PPCStNicholas@gmail.com



BAPTISMS

Baptisms are held every 2nd and 4th weekend on Saturday at 5pm in St. Nicholas Church and on Sunday at 1pm in St. Munchin's College Chapel.

Contact the Parish Office for further details.

061 341 300 saintnicholasparishoffice@gmail.com

CHILDREN'S CHOIR

We are currently looking for some volunteers to take over the running of the CHILDREN'S CHOIR who sing at the 10:30 mass on Sunday and practice one evening a week.

Prayer for when I can't receive communion:

My Jesus,

I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love you above all things and desire to receive you in 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.

Amen



Dates for your Diary:

3rd Sunday every month Diocesan Needs collection

16 April Divine mercy Sunday

30 April Student's Collection, Vocation Sunday

14 May Limerick youth service collection

First Confession for the children in 2nd Class in Scoil Íde in preparation for First Holy Communion.

24th April St. Nicholas Church 7.00 p.m.

ROOM 12 & 13 (Ms. Fitzgibbon & Mr. McGuire)

26th St. Nicholas Church 7.00 p.m.

ROOM 11 & 19 (Ms. Kelly & Ms.Lindsay)

LOURDES YOUTH PILGRIMAGE

Dates: Thursday 22nd – Tuesday 27th June 2023

Cost €780

This includes:

- Return flights, 5 nights in Vatican/Astoria Hotel, Lourdes – full board, All coach transfers and trips per itinerary, Travel Insurance & Taxes.

To register your interest please contact Karen or James on 061-350000

or Karen.kiely@limerickdiocese.org

FOLLOW IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF JESUS FROM GALILEE TO JERUSALEM

Take the TRIP of a LIFETIME to the HOLY LAND, 29th August-8th Sept. 2023. In association with Premier Travel, Cork. Contact Mícheál at 086-8337681 or

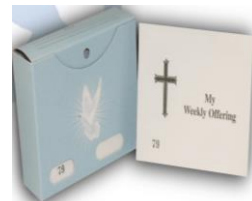
email info@carpediemptours.ie

(See also our website: www.carpediemptours.ie)

The Priests of our parish would like to thank all those who attended our Holy Week and Easter ceremonies. Special word of thanks and appreciation to our volunteers who helped in any way in the preparation and celebrations throughout the week.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION ENVELOPES

If you are new to the area, or if you would like to start contributing to the Parish using the Offertory Envelope system, please call the Parish Office and we will organise a box of envelopes which will have a number assigned to you. By contributing using the Offertory Envelope system the parish can claim tax back on your donation. Example; annual contribution total of €250 enables the parish to claim back an additional €112.32, which is a great benefit to the parish finances. We would kindly ask that you consider contributing using this system. We sincerely thank all who already donate in this way.



EASTER DUES ENVELOPES:

The priests of the parish extend their sincere thanks to those who have already returned **Easter Dues.**

The Easter Dues are an important part of the priest's stipend and your generosity is greatly appreciated. We ask that you consider returning a Dues envelope if you have not already done so.

Celtic Blessing

May the light of your soul guide you.
May the light of your soul bless the work you do, with the secret love and warmth of your heart.
May you see in what you do the beauty of your own soul.
May the sacredness of your work bring healing, light and renewal to those who work with you, and to those who see and receive your work.
May your work never weary you.
May it release within you wellsprings of refreshment, inspiration and excitement.
May you be present in what you do.
May you never become lost in the bland absences.
May the day never burden.
May dawn find you awake and alert, approaching your new day with dreams, possibilities and promises.
May evening find you gracious and fulfilled.
May you go into the night blessed, sheltered and protected.
May your soul calm, console and renew you.

"Anam-Cara" , p. 200, John O'Donohue)