

16 January 2022

Seeing your life through the lens of the Gospel

1. The story is a story of abundance, the abundance of the blessings God gives us. How have you been aware of the abundance of God's blessings? Let the memories lead you to prayer of thanks and praise for the times in your life when that joy and fulfilment have been very real to you.

2. The hour of Jesus had not yet come when the glory of God would be fully revealed, yet even so something of the glory of God was revealed in the sign that took place. For us also the revelation of the full glory of God lies in the future, but we do get glimpses along the way.

Recall some of the signs that have revealed to you something of the glory of God, e.g., nature, art, friendship, etc.

3. Mary/Jesus. It is interesting to note that despite the apparent rebuff, Mary is the first person in the narrative to show (at the level of the action of the story) that the correct response to the presence of Jesus is to trust in him. When have you trusted in the word of Jesus like that?

What relationships do you have that you can trust like that? Do you recall times when your trust was rewarded even when you had been initially disappointed?



PARTEEN NATIONAL SCHOOL:

Applications for Junior infants Sept 2022 are being accepted until 1st February 2022. The Admissions Policy is available on the school website: www.parteenschool.ie

The Admission Policy and Application Form for Admission is available by emailing

office@parteenschool.ie

Phone: 061-340457



SCOIL IDE:

Applications for Junior Infants 2022/23 will close on 1st February 2022. In September 2022 three classes will be taken in, in line with the department of education guidelines.

Please see full details online at www.scoilide.ie/enrolment2/enrolment-application-form-2



DUST IF YOU MUST

Dust if you must, but wouldn't it be better to paint a picture or write a letter, bake a cake or plant a seed, ponder the difference between want and need?

Dust if you must, but there's not much time, with rivers to swim and mountains to climb, music to hear and books to read, friends to cherish and life to lead.

Dust if you must, but the world's out there with the sun in your eyes, the wind in your hair, a flutter of snow, a shower of rain. This day will not come 'round again.

Dust if you must, but bear in mind, old age will come and it's not always kind. And when you go – and go you must – you, yourself, will make more dust.

JANUARY





ST NICHOLAS PARISH NEWS

Sunday 16th January

2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time



CONTACT NUMBERS

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OFFICE OPENING TIMES: Tues 2pm–4pm and Thurs 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

WEEKDAY MASSES

9.45am Mon, Tues, Wed, *St Munchin's College Chapel.*

10am in *St Mary's* : Thurs and Friday.

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.

ITEMS FOR NEWSLETTER

We encourage local groups to avail of the newsletter to promote upcoming events, share good news, etc. please send details to

stnicholaspnewsletter@gmail.com

Maura. 086 0429952 or Grace. 086 8296193

FACEBOOK www.facebook.com/Saintnicholasparish/

BAPTISM times will be 4.30pm on 1st & 3rd Saturday of the month, and 1pm on the 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month. Contact the Parish Office for further details.



Let us continue to pray for those who are ill at this time, those who are preparing for and awaiting results of tests, those in hospital.

Please pray especially for Frank, Fiona, Eoin, Mary, Michael, William, Méabh, Anna, Eamon, Declan, John, Agnes, Muirinn, Ruby, Carmel, Ralph, Karen, Pat, Martina, Ciara.

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.

St Nicholas' Pastoral Parish Council meets on a monthly basis. The meetings generally take place early each month.

If you would like to raise an item/issue at a meeting you could email your item to the following email:

saintnicholasparishoffice@gmail.com



MY JESUS, I BELIEVE
THAT YOU ARE PRESENT
IN THE MOST HOLY
SACRAMENT. I LOVE
YOU ABOVE ALL THINGS
AND I 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.

SPIRITUAL ACT OF
COMMUNION

