

# St. Nicholas' Parish News

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**PARISH NEWSLETTER** We encourage local groups to avail of the newsletter to promote upcoming events, pray for the sick etc. We also welcome local **GOOD NEWS** stories or messages you want to share. Items for the newsletter can be given to Maura 086 0429952 or Grace 086 8296193 E-mail: [Stnicholasnewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:Stnicholasnewsletter@gmail.com)

Sunday 10:30 am Facebook:  
[@saintnicholasparish](https://www.facebook.com/saintnicholasparish)

Every Sunday  
Holy Mass Online

For a complete list of online Masses please see <https://www.limerickdiocese.org/news/masses-available-online-and-on-the-radio-in-the-diocese-of-limerick/>

**ALSO**

- [www.redemptoristslimerick.ie/webcam](http://www.redemptoristslimerick.ie/webcam)
- RTÉ will air Mass every weekday at 10.30am on RTÉ News Now.
- RTÉ News Now can be accessed on Saorview (channel 21), Sky (521), Virgin Media (200), Eir (517) as well as via the RTÉ Player, the RTÉ News Now app and via [RTÉ.ie/news](http://RTÉ.ie/news)



Prayer for when you can't receive communion

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 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. Amen.

Some websites for spiritual reflections, readings, news etc:

<https://www.limerickdiocese.org/>  
<https://www.vaticannews.va/en.html>  
<https://www.sacredspace.ie/>  
<https://www.catholicireland.net/>  
<https://www.irishcatholic.com/>

## Our May Altars



A few of the May Altars from our parish. Thanks to all who sent in pictures.

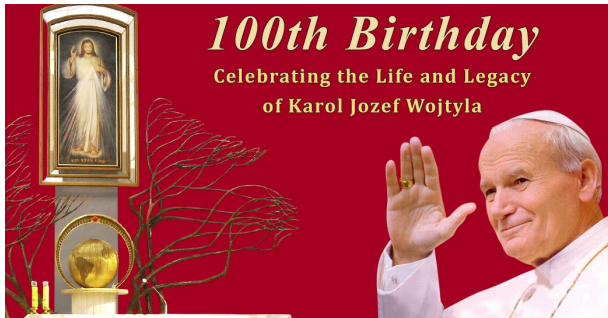


### Remembering those who are Sick

Let us continue to pray for those who are ill at this time, those preparing for and awaiting results of tests, those in hospital. Continue to pray for Maurice, Ailish R, Pat, Annette, Aidan, Gabriel, Jim, Kathleen, Garrett, Helen, Philip, Tony, John, Brian, Muirinn, Ken, Orla, Ciara, Paddy, Michael, Vera, Ailish, Frank, Ger, Bernadette, Fiona, Niamh, Jesse, Eoin, Mary, Young Michael, William, Méabh, Anna and Amy.

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.

If you know of anybody needing prayers etc, please let Maura/Grace know by E-mail: [stnicholasnewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:stnicholasnewsletter@gmail.com) or Tel. Maura 086 0429952 / Grace 086 8296193



**Monday May 18th would have been the 100th birthday of Pope John Paul II. Below are some of his words:**

'I have been able to celebrate Holy Mass in chapels built along mountain paths, on lakeshores and sea-coasts; I have celebrated it on altars built in stadiums and in city squares... This varied scenario of celebrations of the Eucharist has given me a powerful experience of its universal and, so to speak, cosmic character. Yes, Cosmic! Because even when it is celebrated on the humble altar of a country church, the Eucharist is always in some way celebrated on the altar of the world.' *Ecclesia de Eucharistia* (2003), 8

'In this great endeavour to create a new culture of life we are inspired and sustained by the confidence that comes from knowing that the Gospel of life, like the Kingdom of God itself, is growing and producing abundant fruit (cf. Mk 4:26-29). There is certainly an enormous disparity between the powerful resources available to the forces promoting the "culture of death" and the means at the disposal of those working for a "culture of life and love". But we know that we can rely on the help of God, for whom nothing is impossible' (cf. Mt 19:26). *Evangelium Vitae* (1995), 100

### Useful Contacts/Numbers

- ◆ COVID-19 Support Line for Older People—ALONE - 0818 222 024.
- ◆ Community Call—Limerick City and County Council Tel 1800 852 389 E-mail [covidsupport@limerick.ie](mailto:covidsupport@limerick.ie)
- ◆ Garveys Supervalu, Corbally—for Over 70s— 083 120 3890 Email: [supervalucorballydeliveries@gmail.com](mailto:supervalucorballydeliveries@gmail.com)

**Bring Flowers of the Rarest**  
(Please sing this beautiful hymn in honour of Mary in this her special month. Here is a link to the melody if you need it <https://youtu.be/kFCg2zEToVU>)

Bring flow'rs of the fairest,  
Bring flow'rs of the rarest,  
From garden and woodland  
And hillside and vale;  
Our full hearts are swelling,  
Our Glad voices telling  
The praise of the loveliest  
Rose of the vale.

O Mary! we crown thee with blossoms today,  
Queen of the Angels, Queen of the May,  
O Mary! we crown thee with blossoms today,  
Queen of the Angels, Queen of the May.

Our voices ascending,  
In harmony blending,  
Oh! Thus may our hearts turn  
Dear Mother, to thee;  
Oh! Thus shall we prove thee  
How truly we love thee,  
How dark without Mary  
Life's journey would be.

O Mary! we crown thee with blossoms today,  
Queen of the Angels, Queen of the May,  
O Mary! we crown thee with blossoms today,  
Queen of the Angels, Queen of the May.

O Virgin most tender,  
Our homage we render,  
Thy love and protection,  
Sweet Mother, to win;  
In danger defend us,  
In sorrow befriend us,  
And shield our hearts  
From contagion and sin.

O Mary! we crown thee with blossoms today,  
Queen of the Angels, Queen of the May,  
O Mary! we crown thee with blossoms today,  
Queen of the Angels, Queen of the May.

Of Mothers the dearest,  
Oh, wilt thou be nearest,  
When life with temptation  
Is darkly replete?  
Forsake us, O never!  
Our hearts be they ever  
As Pure as the lilies  
We lay at thy feet.

O Mary! we crown thee with blossoms  
today,  
Queen of the Angels, Queen of the May,  
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Queen of the Angels, Queen of the May.

