30th Sunday in Ordinary Time Life through the lens of the Gospel

Mission Sunday: You Will Be My Witnesses

We are often defensive in our relationships with others. We are reluctant to let another see us as we see ourselves. Occasionally we meet someone with whom we can be totally open and know we will be accepted. With whom have you had that kind of a relationship? What was it like for you to have that freedom?

Likewise with God, when we come to prayer pretending to be better than we are, we are hiding from God. What difference does it make when you pray to God, acknowledging your faults and limitations? Have you ever found that when you are humble in this way in prayer, God lifts you up?

The parable is also a cautionary tale against judging others negatively on the basis of externals. Perhaps God, who looks into the heart, sees them differently. When have you discovered there was more to another person than the negative picture you got from first impressions? What lessons did you learn for yourself from this?

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University Maternity Hospital Limerick

Annual Remembrance Service



We invite parents and their families who have experienced the death of their baby, or pregnancy loss at any stage, together with hospital staff to

> The Church of the Holy Rosary Ennis Road

> > Limerick

Sunday 6. Of November 2022

At 3pm

Every precious life forever remembered



LIMERICK GROW IT YOURSELF

Limerick Grow It Yourself (a not for profit community organisation) is holding its first post lockdown meeting on Wednesday, 26th October 2022.

It will be held in The Citizen's Innovation Lab on Sarsfield Street (The Old Dunnes Stores) at **7pm**.

Our guest speaker is Ciaran King who grows intensively in a Limerick suburban garden. There is a €3 charge and all are very welcome.



JUNIOR INFANT APPLICATIONS 2023-24

As per updated legislation, applications will open on 1st October for our 2023-24 Junior Infant Intake. Applications are only accepted in the year previous to starting school and are conducted through our website: www.scoilide.ie

From October 1st 2022 to February 1st 2023, we will accept applications for the school year 2023-2024. Please read the Enrolment Policy too. All offers of places are made in accordance with this.



Meditation

A group gathers each Tuesday Morning in the Parish centre, St Nicholas Church, for Silent Meditation from 10.30am to 11am.

All are welcome. For further information contact Sr Kathleen 0872120880

October month of the Rosary

The Rosary continues to be prayed in St Nicholas Church each evening at 6pm, Monday to Friday this week.

All are welcome as we pray especially for peace





Shannon Banks scout group wishes to thank all who supported our recent used clothes collection fundraiser.



Your generosity is much appreciated



ST NICHOLAS PARISH NEWS

Sunday 23 October

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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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

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.

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 are held every 2nd and 4th weekend on Saturday at 4,30pm in St. Nicholas Church and on Sunday at 1pm in St. Munchin's College Chapel. Contact the Parish Office for further details.

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

Please pray especially for Frank, Fiona,

Eoin, Mary, Shane, Anna,

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.

WEEKLY COLLECTION

The collection last weekend came to € 1620. Many thanks for your loyalty and support to the parish.



World Mission Sunday is the Holy Father's annual appeal for spiritual and financial support so that the life-giving work of overseas mission and missionaries can contin-

ue. It always falls on the second last Sunday in October, and like the Good Friday collection for the Holy Land and Peter's Pence, it is one of three yearly universal Church collections.

Right now, missionaries desperately need your help. In many poorer parishes in Africa, Asia, and Latin America missionaries are serving on the front line. They already do so much, walking hand-in-hand with marginalised communities, long before and after any emergency. You can show missionaries you care by supporting World Mission Sunday. Your prayers and generosity will change lives.

Donate to Misseo Ireland at www.misseo.ie/donate/

St Nicholas' Pastoral Parish Council meets on a monthly basis. The meetings generally take place early each month. If you would like to raise any items/issues at a meeting you could email your item to the following email:

saintnicholasparishoffice@gmail.com