



St. Nicholas' Parish News

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Corpus Christi

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9.45am. Mon, Tues & Wed.

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7.00pm — Thursday

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St Nicholas 7.00pm — Sat.

10.30 am — Sunday

St Munchin's College

12 noon — Sunday

PARISH NEWSLETTER



Please feel free to take home a copy of this news-letter. A neighbour or friend who does not attend

church in our parish might also welcome it. If you decide otherwise, please leave it on the table at the Exit on your way out. Thank you.

We also encourage groups to avail of it to promote upcoming events, letting know of someone who needs prayers etc.

Items for the newsletter to be in to:

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Feast Days June 2018

(Month of the Sacred Heart)

Tues 5—St. Boniface

Wed 6—St. Norbert

Fri 8—St. William of York

The Musings for June are all taken from Pope Francis' recent Apostolic Exhortation on the call to holiness in today's world, *Gaudete et Exsultate* (Rejoice and be Glad).

Compiled by Brenda Drumm of WMOF2018.

MUSINGS

To be holy does not require being a bishop, a priest or a religious. We are frequently tempted to think that holiness is only for those who can withdraw from ordinary affairs to spend much time in prayer. That is not the case. We are all called to be holy by living our lives with love and by bearing witness in everything we do, wherever we find ourselves. Are you called to the consecrated life? Be holy by living out your commitment with joy. Are you married? Be holy by loving and caring for your husband or wife, as Christ does for the Church. Do you work for a living? Be holy by labouring with integrity and skill in the service of your brothers and sisters. Are you a parent or grandparent? Be holy by patiently teaching the little ones how to follow Jesus. Are you in a position of authority? Be holy by working for the common good and renouncing personal gain.

Gaudete et Exsultate

THE DEEP END: Corpus Christi

On this feast of Corpus Christi we celebrate the gift of the Eucharist. It was one of the last actions of Jesus to give us this nourishment for our life journey, to remember him and to help us to live out his teachings in our daily lives.

As Christ's followers we are all called to change from within so that we can be part of the building of a kingdom of love, justice and peace in this world, so that we ourselves are transformed in some way. The Eucharist, as Pope Francis says, *'is not a prize for the perfect but a powerful medicine and nourishment for the weak'*. It is a call for all of us to grow and to share with one another Christ's message of love and peace. The Eucharist sustains us on this Christian path and brings us together as sisters and brothers travelling together on this journey of faith. We should leave this table changed by the encounter, a little lighter, a little more hopeful and joyful, a little stronger. In a movie I saw recently there was a line which said *'the world will only change as we change'*. The Eucharist invites us to this transformation. Because *'in the Eucharist, God comes to us not from above, but from within. In the Eucharist the whole cosmos gives thanks to God... it is itself an act of cosmic love... The Eucharist joins heaven and earth; it embraces and penetrates all creation'* (Pope Francis, *Laudato Si'*).

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AGE ACTION - CALL FOR VOLUNTEER TUTORS

Age Action is looking to start beginner/refresher computer classes in Dooradoyle Library for older learners (55+). These classes aim to help older people become comfortable using computers, laptops etc. and the internet. Tutoring is generally done on a 1:1 basis and all involved find the classes rewarding and fun.

Fluent English and strong basic computer/ laptop/ tablet/ smartphone skills are required, but patience and good humour are just as important! Tutor Training provided. If you are interested in becoming a volunteer tutor, please contact Helen Murray (Age Action) for more information: Email: helen.murray@ageaction.ie



Parish Office Opening hours. Tues 2pm—4pm. Thurs 9.30am—12.30. for anyone who may need to book Masses get certificates or any other church related enquiries. Entrance to the office is through the Adoration Chapel opposite the priest's house. Phone: 341300

Adoration Chapel

The Adoration Chapel is open from 9.30am to 6.00pm each day. We encourage you to come along for a quiet moment of prayer.



Baptism

Anyone wishing to have their baby baptised must give at least one months notice. Baptisms are on the 2nd & 4th weekend of each month. Times: 6.00pm Saturday evening St. Nicholas Church, Sunday 1.00p.m. St Munchin's College.



Prayer for Students



At this time we are very conscious of all those preparing for the Junior Certificate and Leaving Certificate exams as well as those who are finishing exams in college. We pray for these students and remember them in a special way - a way of telling those doing exams that they are in our thoughts and prayers.

Ever loving and eternal God be with me as I prepare to sit my examinations. Give me peace of mind and quietness of heart so that I may approach each exam with confidence and trust. Open my heart to believe that with you all things are possible and because you have created me I am worth much more than all the exams in the world. Teach me Lord that there will be many opportunities for using my gifts and talents in the future. Bless that future and be with me, my family and my friends especially when the road is difficult, and when all is going well may I give thanks for your care and love through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen



Limerick Corpus Christi Procession

You are invited to attend the Diocesan Corpus Christi Procession on the Feast of the Most Blessed Sacrament (Corpus Christi) on Sunday 3rd June. at St Michael's Church after the 4.30m Mass. The procession will proceed from St. Michael's to St. John's Cathedral. The children who received their First Holy Communion throughout the diocese are particularly welcome to attend and join in the procession in the Holy Communion attire.

All are Welcome

Bank Holiday Monday

PLEASE NOTE There will be no Mass in St. Munchin's College Chapel on Bank Holiday Monday next 4th June. Mass as regular at 10am in St. Mary's Church.



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, Maura, Philip, Tony, John, Brian, Muirinn, Ken, Orla, Ciara, Paddy, Michael, Vera Ailish, Frank & Ger.

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 John/Maura know by E-mail: stnicholasnewsletter@gmail.com or Tel. John.085 7406822 Maura. 086 0429952

St Nicholas Family Fun Day



Our Parish Family Day will take place on Sunday, June 10th from 11:30am to 3pm. This day will include Obstacle Course, Bouncing Castle, Play Trailer, Merry-go-round, face painting and barbecue and lots of more fun. Admission is free and donations on the day will be appreciated.

In order to organise the day safely and smoothly, we would appreciate help.

If any adult/teenager could volunteer to help on the day, please place your name and contact number on the sheet at the back of the church.



Trócaire has won Gold at Bloom 2018 for its garden that brings to life the stories of human rights defenders in Palestine, Guatemala and Zimbabwe.

Resistance, a Garden for Trócaire' tells the stories of courageous people they work with who speak-up in defence of people, land and the environment.

Help Trócaire to continue its work. If you are stuck for a gift idea for someone who has everything, look on <https://www.trocaire.org/gifts>. There's lots of ideas for you there.

Remember Trócaire gifts are not just for Christmas!

