

St. Nicholas' Parish News

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John 10:1-10 The Word of God

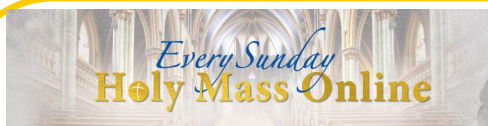


'Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit. The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep.'

Some thoughts on today's scripture

- What lifts your spirit, satisfies your soul, gives you lasting peace and fills you with life? What seems to be just the right fit for you? These are moments that come from the presence of Christ in you.
- On the other hand what drains you, steals your energy, leaves you lifeless and empty, kills your spirit, treats you like a statistic rather than a unique person? These are moments indicative of the thief, the enemy of our human nature.
- The American Indians tell their children that deeply embedded in our hearts are two wolves each wanting to kill the other. The Child is meant to ask "And who wins"? The parent wisely answers 'the one you feed the most'.

From <https://www.sacredspace.ie>



Sunday 10:30 am Facebook: @saintnicholasparish

Fr. Derek hopes to say Mass again this Sunday following the success of his Mass from St. Nicholas last week which was much enjoyed by all who watched it and which brought some semblance of normality into our unusual world.

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
- RTÉ 11am Sunday 3rd April, Mass for Vocations
- 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

Useful Contacts/Numbers

- ♦ For all news and updates from Limerick Dioceses—<https://www.limerickdiocese.org/>
- ♦ COVID-19 Support Line for Older People—ALONE has launched a national support line. The support line is open Monday to Friday, 8am-8pm, by calling 0818 222 024.
- ♦ Community Call—For those wanting to help or needing help—Limerick City and County Council Tel 1800 852 389 E-mail covidsupport@limerick.ie
- ♦ Garveys Supervalu, Corbally—Now take orders for shopping deliveries strictly for Over 70s. Tel: 083 120 3890 (8:00am-3:00pm) Email: supervalucorballydeliveries@gmail.com

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 or Tel. Maura 086 0429952 / Grace 086 8296193



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.

**WHEN YOU HEAR
GOD'S VOICE TODAY,
HARDEN NOT YOUR HEART!**

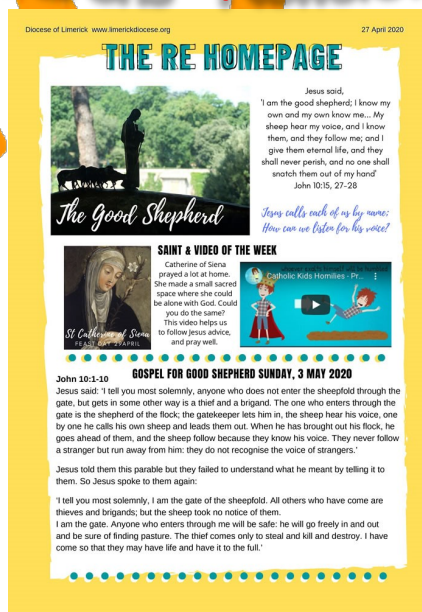
Vocations Are Everybody's Business

2020 marks the 57th Anniversary of the World Day of Prayer for Vocations

On this Good Shepherd Sunday we celebrate the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. Pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and consecrated life, especially for our diocese, that God will raise up good shepherds in our midst. Do you hear the voice of the Lord, the Good Shepherd calling you to a particular way of life?

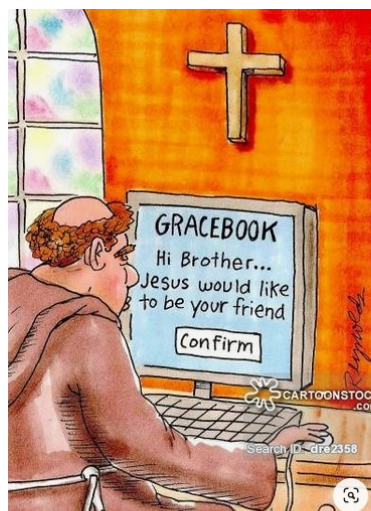
If you think God is calling you to serve the Church as a priest or in the consecrated life, contact the National Vocations Office, email: info@vocations.ie or your local Diocesan Vocations Director.

Childrens' Newsletter



Download this week's Children's Newsletter to find out about the Gospel Story, The Good Shepherd to Emmaus and the Saint of the Week. We also have a crossword and our video of the week.

<https://www.limerickdiocese.org/resources/childrens-newsletter3/>



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