



St. Patrick driving the snakes out of Ireland.

LAUNCHING ON 21st MARCH
 €2 WEEKLY
 PHONE: 087 678 4153

FUN CLUB

Saturday Morning Madness
 Getting our kids active

- join us for a morning of games & activities aimed at children from junior infants to sixth class

- **When:** Saturday's 9.30 -11am
- **Who:** run by local coaches & volunteers with an interest in physical activity for all
- **What:** all activities promoting the skills of running, jumping, throwing, catching & balancing through fun games
- **Where:** Parteen St Nicholas GAA Club
 Eircode: V94 YW61 - astro / hall

MAY THE STRENGTH OF GOD
 PILOT US,
 MAY THE WISDOM OF GOD
 INSTRUCT US,
 MAY THE HAND OF GOD
 PROTECT US,
 MAY THE WORD OF GOD
 DIRECT US.

- SAINT PATRICK



PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL NEWS

Our PPC meets monthly and the safeguarding of the children of the parish is regularly re-viewed.

Bishop Leahy recently invited the **National Board for Safeguarding children** in the Catholic Church into the Limerick diocese to conduct an audit of best practice. Following this initiative, representatives visited our parish and specifically observed the children's choir practice on two occasions. They also met with parish representatives and thoroughly inspected relevant records and form keeping.

Thankfully they were highly complimentary of all aspects of our child protection policies in St. Nicholas' parish. Sincere gratitude is due to Maura and Mike who run the children's choir with such care and devotion, for their commitment to our children's safety and their cooperation during the inspection period.

The **parish liturgy group** will meet soon to plan our Easter liturgies. We will have our annual Easter egg hunt after 10,30 mass on Easter Sunday. If you would like to help organise this event, please leave your name and contact details in to the sacristy at St. Nicholas or into our parish office.

Point of information : The Pastoral Council may be contacted in writing through the parish office (located behind our adoration Chapel in St. Nicholas Church).

Pray for all those affected by the coronavirus.

#LivingLent

#Prayer

Give one hour of your time to a charitable cause in your community.

#Almsgiving

Fast from technology and spend quality time together as a family.

#Fasting



St. Nicholas Parish News

Sunday 15th March 2020

3rd Sunday of Lent

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MASS TIMES

WEEKDAY MASSES:

St. Munchin's College: 9.45am. Mon, Tues & Wed.

St. Nicholas, Westbury: 7.00pm Thursday

WEEKEND MASSES:

St. Nicholas, Westbury:

6pm Saturday, 10.30am Sun

St. Munchin's College: 12 noon Sunday

ITEMS FOR NEWSLETTER



We encourage local groups to avail of the newsletter to promote upcoming events, pray for the sick etc. To be sent in to: Maura. 086 0429952, Grace. 086 8296193 or Email: stnicholasnewsletter@gmail.com by 6pm Wednesday.

FEAST DAYS: *March*

17 *ST Patrick*

19 *St Joseph*

21 *St Enda*



Tues 2pm-4pm. Thurs 9.30am -1.30pm for anyone who may need to book masses, get certificates or any other church related enquiries. Phone: 061 341300

The Adoration chapel is open from 9.30am to 6pm daily. 24 hour adoration takes place Thursday 7pm to Friday 7pm. We encourage you to come along for a quiet moment of prayer.



Anyone wishing to have their baby baptised must give at least one month's notice. Baptisms are on the 2nd and 4th weekend of each month. Times: Saturday 5pm St. Nicholas church and Sunday 1pm St. Munchin's College..



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.

Continue to pray for Maurice, Ailish R, Annette, Aidan, Gabriel, Jim, Kathleen, Garrett, Helen, Philip, Tony, John, Brian, Muirinn, Ken, Orla, Kiera, Paddy, Michael, Vera, Ailish, Frank, Ger, Fiona, Niamh, Jesse, Amy, Anna, Gwyneth, Young Michael, William, Méabh, Séamas, Eamon, Declan and Eoin.

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 contact: stnicholasnewsletter@gmail.com or Maura 086 0429952/ Grace 086 8296193

DIocese of Limerick:

In responding to the challenges of the Coronavirus **all Masses in the Diocese have been cancelled** for at least the next 3 weeks. A number of Churches in the Diocese have web cameras and will broadcast Masses online so people at home can participate in the celebration of the Mass. SacredSpace102fm will also be broadcasting a studio Mass on Sundays and St Patrick's Day on West Limerick 102fm. **ONLINE MASSES:**

<https://www.limerickdiocese.org/news/masses-available-online-and-on-the-radio-in-the-diocese-of-limerick/>

IRISH CATHOLIC BISHOPS' CONFERENCE
LITURGICAL CONSIDERATIONS IN THE
CONTEXT OF COVID-19 (CORONAVIRUS)
FURTHER ADVICE - 12 MARCH 2020

Meetings/Gatherings

All non-essential pastoral gatherings and meetings, such as formation gatherings, retreats and seminars are cancelled.

