



ST NICHOLAS PARISH NEWS

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2nd Sunday Lent



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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

Phone: 061 341300

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 are still looking for volunteers to help with producing the newsletter. For more information, contact Grace

We encourage local groups in the area to avail of the newsletter to promote upcoming events, fund-raisers, share good news, etc. please send details to stnicholasnewsletter@gmail.com



Grace. 086 8296193

FACEBOOK www.facebook.com/Saintnicholasparish/

PARISH MEDITATION GROUP

"Be still and know...." Our meditation group meets every Tuesday at 10.30 in St. Nicholas' church parish centre. Everyone is welcome. All you have to do is turn up "close your eyes and get out of Gods way".



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.

Please pray especially for Frank, Fiona, Eoin, Mary, Shane, Anna, Michael, William, Méabh, Anna, Eamon, Declan, John, Agnes, Ruby, Carmel, Ralph, Karen, Pat, Liam, 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.

BAPTISMS

Baptisms are held every 2nd and 4th weekend on Saturday at 5pm in St. Nicholas Church and on Sunday at 1pm in St. Munchin's College Chapel.

Contact the Parish Office for further details.

saintnicholasparishoffice@gmail.com



St Nicholas Parish Pastoral Council meets on a monthly basis. If you would like to raise any items/ issues or suggestions at a meeting you could email them to: PPCStNicholas@gmail.com

WEEKLY COLLECTION: The collection last weekend came to € 994.14. Many thanks for your loyalty and support to the parish.

Prayer for when I can't receive communion:



My Jesus, I Believe that you are present
In the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love you above all things
And desire to receive you in 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

www.trocaire.org

Trócaire
TOGETHER FOR A JUST WORLD

50th Anniversary Prayer

We pray for God's blessing on the work of Trócaire. We pray that all people may continue to work together for the respect of our shared human dignity and shared human rights.

We thank God for the partners and generous supporters who have enabled Trócaire to continue their work for over fifty years, empowering communities to work together for a just world.

We pray for peace and may that peace be mine and yours, and with all people experiencing crises in our world.
Amen

LOURDES YOUTH PILGRIMAGE

Dates: Thursday 22nd - Tuesday 27th June 2023

Cost €780

This includes:

- Return flights, 5 nights in Vatican/Astoria Hotel, Lourdes - full board, All coach transfers and trips per itinerary, Travel Insurance & Taxes.

To register your interest please contact Karen or James on 061-350000 or Karen.kiely@limerickdiocese.org

ST NICHOLAS CHURCH CLEANING

Due to meetings in the church over the coming weeks our next gathering to clean will be Monday 27th March 7pm to 8pm.

A huge thank you to all who have turned up over the past few weeks to clean the church.

Your help is very much appreciated.

CHILDREN'S CHOIR We are currently looking for some volunteers to take over the running of the CHILDREN'S CHOIR who sing at the 10:30 mass on Sunday and practice one evening a week.



CHURCH FLOWERS We are also looking for a volunteer to take over organising the church flowers.

Dates for your Diary:

St Vincent de Paul collection is after masses on the first weekend of every month.

17 March: Friday, St Patrick's Day

25 March: Scoil Ide Confirmation Day, St Marys church

7 April: Team Limerick community cleanup

9 April: Easter Sunday

FRIDAY MARCH 10TH
8PM
O'DRISCOLLS PUB
CORBALLY



Calling all Parents/ Guardians/ Friends and Supporters of School Ide

The School Ide **FUNDRAISING TABLE QUIZ** in association with the Parents Council will be taking place on March 10th in O'Driscoll's Bar, Corbally at 8pm.

Funds raised will supports the efforts of Scoil

Ide for 2023. Great Prizes to

be won and an amazing raffle with sponsorship from local businesses.



DO YOU WANT TO FAST THIS LENT?

In the words of Pope Francis

- Fast from hurting words and say kind words.
- Fast from sadness and be filled with gratitude.
- Fast from anger and be filled with patience.
- Fast from pessimism and be filled with hope.
- Fast from worries and have trust in God.
- Fast from complaints and contemplate simplicity.
- Fast from pressures and be prayerful.
- Fast from bitterness and fill your hearts with joy.
- Fast from selfishness and be compassionate to others.
- Fast from grudges and be reconciled.
- Fast from words and be silent so you can listen.