

ST NICHOLAS PARISH NEWS

5th & 6th August 2023

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Parish Office Opening Times



Monday & Thursday 9.30am -1.30pm for all church related queries.

If you wish to book a mass, order a cert or leave in your offerings to support your parish, the parish office is located in St Nicholas Church (access through the Prayer Chapel)

Email: saintnicholasparishoffice@gmail.com Phone:061-341300

With Sympathy mass-cards, Christmas Mass & Bouquet cards are available from the Parish Office.

Weekday Mass Times

Monday to Wednesday 9.45am St Munchin's College Chapel.



Weekend Mass Times

Sat 6pm, Sun 10.30am, St Nicholas' Church Sun 12 noon, St Munchin's College Chapel

Parish Live Streaming of 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 in the area to avail of the weekly newsletter to promote upcoming events. Please send details to

saintnicholasparishoffice@gmail.com with NEWSLETTER in the heading

PARISH FACEBOOK:

www.facebook.com/Saintnicholasparish/

Parish Meditation Group

There will be no parish meditation during the summer months. We will return in September

Prayer For The Sick

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

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



St Vincent DE Paul collection is after masses on the first weekend each month

St Nicholas Parish Pastoral Council meet on a monthly basis. If you would like to raise any items/ issues or suggestions at a meeting you can email them to:



PPCStNicholas@gmail.com



held every 2nd and 4th weekend. Saturday at 5pm in St. Nicholas Church Contact the Parish Office for more details.

Weekly Collection

The total contribution for week ending 30th July 2023 amounted to \in 761.18 **Trocaire** donation of \in 25.82 Your donation is very much appreciated.

We offer our sympathies to the family and loved ones of the recently deceased **Yvonne Moloney née Kennedy R.I.P**.

Mass intentions this weekend St Nicholas Church

Saturday 6.00pmPro PopuloSunday 10.30amDavid Harrington 2nd Anniv

St Munchins Collecge Chapel
Sunday 12noon Nuala Tuite 2nd Anniv



Tuesday 1 August 2023: A Limerick team of a different kind departed for Lisbon for an event described as similar to a pilgrimage to All-Ireland Final day.

A group of 15 young adults and five mentors jetted out for the Portuguese capital where up to 1million young people from across the world gather for the first post-pandemic World Youth Day celebrations.

Pope Francis' theme for this year's event is all about challenging young people to become courageous missionaries, consistent with his very first World Youth Day as pontiff a decade ago when he urged young people to make a "mess", to shake things up by helping the church "get closer to the people". While titled 'World Youth Day', the celebration began on Tuesday, August 1st, runs right through to Sunday and is attended by Pope Francis from Wednesday until its close. The Limerick group of 15 delegates, who departed for Lisbon early on Monday, is led by Director of Youth Ministry and Lifelong Faith Development at Limerick Diocese James Connery and joined by Bishop Brendan Leahy and Fr. Chris O'Donnell of Limerick Youth Ministry, who likened each day of the pilgrimage to All-Ireland Sunday. "There's a sea of colour, flags are being waved proudly, there's singing and chanting and a tremendous atmosphere of joy and togetherness. On All-Ireland Sundays this joy revolves around the love of the game, the passion for your team and the shared sense of togetherness and excitement among the supporters. World Youth Day magnifies the joy as everyone is supporting the one team, the one faith, the one God," said Fr Chris. "The joy is tangible and infectious, and it is incredible to see so many young people proud to show and share their passion for the faith, for Pope Francis and for the Church. After a successful Ireland final fans, both young and old, return home and want to share the joy. It hopefully is the same for those who experience the joy of World Youth Day. Young people return home more alive and more secure in their faith. Buoyed by the

experience of a living and loving faith, they are more willing to witness to it and share it in a country that badly needs to rediscover its soul and depth and meaning. Luimneach abú, Íosa abú."

Said Bishop Leahy: "I've been to several World Youth Days and they are an amazing experience. I remember one young person saying they enjoyed the World Youth Day because while there they realised it could be 'cool' to be a Catholic! The energy and liveliness give everyone a real lift. As Pope Francis said somewhere - 'Christ is alive and everything he touches becomes young, new, full of life'. That's certainly a conviction you come away with from a World Youth Day." For more information on World Youth Day, see: <u>https://www.lisboa2023.org/en</u>

Grow Mental Health

Friendly Community based groups for anyone experiencing mental health issue through 12 Step Program of connection, hope, identity by empowering people to nurture their positive wellbeing by supporting personal growth through education, peer support and self-teaching.

Contact Michael 086-6063182/www.grow.ie



The demand from hospitals continues to rise. Current hospital blood requirement are nearly 6% higher than requirements this time last year. In addition, this time of year, due to the holiday season poses a particular challenge to donation clinic attendance. We urge our regular Donors to attend and

new Donors are always welcome.

Donor Clinic will be held in the Castletroy Park Hotel on; Sunday 13th August 11:50 - 15:10 Monday 14th August 16:20 - 19:40

Please call 1800 222 111 for appointment