



St Nicholas Parish News  
22nd Sunday of the Year  
August 31st 2014  
www.saintnicholasparish.ie



**Fr. Derek Leonard P.P.**  
Phone 340614  
**Salesian Sisters:**  
348510  
**Mass times:**  
**9.45am**  
Mondays, Tuesdays  
Wednesdays. St. Munchin's  
College  
**7.00pm**—  
Thursday: St. Nicholas'  
Fridays: Liturgy of the Word  
with Holy Communion. St.  
Nicholas'  
**Weekends:**  
**St. Nicholas'**  
7.00pm Saturday  
10.30 am— Sunday  
**St. Munchin's College:**  
12.00 noon Sundays.

**Items for newsletter**  
To be in to  
John 085 7406822  
Dympna 348510  
by Wednesday please.  
**E-mail:**  
stnicholasnewsletter@gmail.com

**Feasts this Week**  
**September**

**Wed 3rd**  
St Gregory the Great  
**Thurs 4th**  
St Mac Nissi (Connor)

**Readers for next weekend**  
**Sat: 7pm:**  
Celine Holland/Michael Cooke  
**Sun: 10.30am:**  
Mary Kelly  
Emmett Fitzgerald  
**12.00:**  
J Clancy / I Mullane



*Each passing moment  
is the chance just to  
pray, to thank you  
Lord Jesus for my life  
everyday.*

**Mid West Simon Community** are looking for people to take part in the Sleep Out Challenge 2014 to raise funds for existing homeless services and our new "Moving on Together" to support families and individuals facing eviction due to mortgage arrears in the Mid West Region. This project is in partnership with the Limerick Leader, Clare Champion and Tipperary Star. The sleep out takes place in Limerick on Friday 3rd October at the Gaelic Grounds. We are reaching out to the community to help raise funds so we can reach out to those most vulnerable in our midst. To register for the event you can contact us on 061-608980 or you can register online at [www.midwestsimon.ie](http://www.midwestsimon.ie). We are also looking for volunteers in both locations to assist with logistics on the night contact 061-608980 for further details. The sleep out will take place from 8pm to 6am. Please support this worthy cause. If you would like to host a local fundraiser to support this initiative contact: Fianait Mitchell on [085-8586341](tel:085-8586341), Fundraising Coordinator, Midwest Simon Community, Unit 2, First Floor, No. 1 Lower Shannon St., Limerick / Phone: (061) 608980 / Mobile: [\(085\)8586341](tel:0858586341) / Fax: (061) 608980 / email: [fund@midwestsimon.ie](mailto:fund@midwestsimon.ie)

**MUSINGS:** Ragheed Ganni was a young Chaldean Catholic priest from Mosul, Iraq, who was a student at the Irish College, Rome. Despite the obvious dangers, he returned to Iraq after his studies to minister to his people there. Despite numerous threats he remained with them, claiming that 'Without Sunday, without the Eucharist the Christians in Iraq cannot survive' and that 'the Eucharist gives us back the life that the terrorists seek to take away.' He would pay the ultimate price when he was targeted and killed by gunmen outside his church on 3 June 2007. Many Christians today continue to re-trace Christ's steps when they are faced with sacrificing their very lives...*Salvador Ryan. St Patrick's College, Maynooth.*

**Remembering our Sick**

Let us continue to remember in our prayer each day those who are sick at home or in hospital—Brian, Mhuireann, Orla, Ciara, Baby Reuben, Dermot, Michael, Vera, Brian, Frank, Bridget, Anne, Paddy, Olive, Breda, Geraldine, Kathleen, Michael, Pat, David, Anthony, Ann, Maureen & Patrick. Let us pray for those in nursing homes, and all carers.



*Please let Fr Derek know if you have a family member in hospital, as parishioners' names are no longer given through the hospital receptionist.*

**Aware Depression Support Group:**

Meets on Wednesdays at 8pm at the Pastoral Centre, Denmark Street. All are welcome. Aware Support Groups are free to attend, no referral necessary. [www.aware.ie](http://www.aware.ie)

**New Life in the Spirit Seminars**

These will commence here in St. Nicholas' Parish on Wednesday 10 September and will run for 7 weeks. Each week will deliver specific teaching which will help and encourage a deeper and more personal relationship with Christ and a much fuller life in the Holy Spirit. Venue: St. Nicholas' Parish Centre. Time: 8.00—9.30pm. For more information please contact: Rachel 085 2662556.

**Irish Dancing Lessons**



For fun fitness and making friends. Classes start mid September on a Thursday in Parteen school at 2.45pm and Scoil Ide at 4.45pm. All ages welcome. Call Sharon on 086 8511460 or [uibhriain@gmail.com](mailto:uibhriain@gmail.com) for further details

If you would like the name of a sick relative or friend mentioned please contact:  
**Dympna 348510/John 346664**

## The 29<sup>th</sup> Annual Milford Hospice Harvest Fair

This Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> August 2014 starting at 11am. It takes place at the UL Arena, located within the campus of the University of Limerick, just a 10 minute walk from Milford Care Centre. The Milford Hospice Harvest Fair helps to support the continued delivery of much needed specialist palliative care services, provided by Milford throughout Clare, Limerick and North Tipperary. All of Milford Hospice Services aim to deliver the highest quality care and to this end, the service relies greatly on its fundraising efforts and the ongoing public support generated by the annual Milford Hospice Harvest Fair. Your support would be greatly appreciated.



## St. Munchin's College Chapel Choir



The choir returns for rehearsals on Thursday Sept 4th at 8.00p.m. (in St Nicholas, Westbury) We would welcome new male members to enhance our choir. If you are interested contact: John 085 7406822 061 346664

## Diocesan Pilgrimage to Rome - October 2014

**You are invited** .... Please share this information widely. Pilgrimage to Rome to commemorate St John Paul II's visit to Limerick and to attend the Beatification of Pope Paul VI Led by Bishop Brendan Leahy. October 18th – 22nd 2014 €770 pps Proposed itinerary and other details on the diocesan website.

### HOW TO BOOK:

1. Fill out your booking form having read our Terms & Conditions.
2. Submit the deposit of €350 (made out to Tom Mannion Travel) and booking form to: Cultural Connections Ltd. Newtown, Rahan, Tullamore, Co. Offaly. Alternatively, bookings can be made over the phone using a debit card. Please call 057 9355050. We cannot accept credit card payments. Tour organizers: Cultural Connections Ltd In association with: Tom Mannion Travel T.A. 0178 IATA, ITAA. (Cultural Connections Ltd. Newtown, Rahan, Tullamore, Co. Offaly, Ireland Phone:057 9355050 mornings only. Email: [groupravel@libero.ie](mailto:groupravel@libero.ie)

## GOD'S CALL

Explore God's call for you... 14th September 2014, 2- 6pm, St. Teresa's Church, Clarendon Street, Dublin 2 - and - 12th October 2014, 2- 6pm, Clonard Monastery, Belfast, BT13 2RL explore Away is a programme which provides the opportunity for young, single, men and women between the ages of 21-40

who are interested in exploring religious life and the priesthood in a reflective and prayerful environment. Join us on Sunday 14th September 2014 from 2.00 - 6.00pm in St. Teresa's Church, Clarendon Street, Dublin 2 or on Sunday 12th October, 2014 from 2.00 - 6.00pm in Clonard Monastery, Belfast, BT13 2RL to find out more about explore-Away. It promises to be an informative and relaxed afternoon with some good pizza and chat to follow! Booking is essential; please contact Sr. Gabrielle Farrell on 087- 3584447 or Fr. Alan on 085- 7664480.

[www.exploreAway.net](http://www.exploreAway.net)<[http:// www.exploreAway.net/](http://www.exploreAway.net/)>, [www.vocationsireland.com](http://www.vocationsireland.com)<[http:// www.vocationsireland.com/](http://www.vocationsireland.com/)>



## Corbally Stage School DANCE - SINGING - DRAMA



From 5 — 16years

Ard Scoil Mhuire (Across from Grove Island)

**Time:** Wednesday afternoons from 4.00pm.

To enrol or re-enrol Text:

Linda Mc Glynn. 086 6601247

Cathy Mc Glynn 086 1073241

E-mail: [corballystageschool@gmail.com](mailto:corballystageschool@gmail.com)

## NOWHERE TO GO

Pat Murphy was a bit of a heathen. He did not believe in either heaven or hell. Anyhow when he died and was reposing in the local funeral home his friend Michael O' Shea went to pay his respects.

When he was leaving O'Shea was heard to whisper loudly. 'There you are now Pat. All dressed up and no

## NEW BEGINNINGS



Spirit of Wisdom and Love, bless all pupils and teachers returning to school after the Summer holidays. Help their new beginnings in primary and secondary schools. May each student have good friends, positive learning experiences and may we give a special welcome to those who come from different countries and religions. Build all our schools into communities of faith and love where each person is respected as a miracle of God's creation.

**I.o.P (Instruments of Peace)** was founded in 2000 with the view in mind to promote Peace consciousness in daily lives. In the first ten years, all efforts were directed towards cultivating peace within. "Peace begins with me" and "Peace begins within me" are the concepts promoted by Instruments of Peace. Since 2010, I.o.P. have brought the fruits of interior spiritual work into the open. They have been organising public events that focus on the annual celebration of the U.N. International Day of Peace. As you see on their website, [www.peacebeginswithme.eu](http://www.peacebeginswithme.eu), the events have expanded from one hour (2010), one full day (2011), one weekend (2012), three days (2013) and this year, they are marking the whole week: **14 – 21 September** as a Week of Peace.

**Last weeks collection came to: €1044.70. .... Thank you for your generosity**

*Please take home a copy of this newsletter. We encourage you to avail of it to promote upcoming events, let us know if someone needs prayers etc.*