

NEWSLETTER FOR PASTORAL UNIT 1



St Nicholas Parish

Mass Times
Saturday Vigil 6.30pm Sunday 10.00am
Parish Live Streaming of Masses
from St Nicholas Church; log onto
<https://www.churchservices.tv/limerickstnicholas>
or via the parish website; www.saintnicholasparish.ie



St Mary's Parish

Mass Times
Saturday Vigil 5.00pm Sunday 11.30am
Monday to Friday Morning Mass 10.00am
Parish Live Streaming of Masses
from St Mary's Church; log onto
<https://www.churchservices.tv/limerickstmaryscatholicchurch>

Saturday 6th & Sunday 7th January 2024

Clergy Contacts

Fr Richie Davern 0872977500

Fr Gerard O'Leary 0879378685

Salesian Sisters 061-348510



Baptisms are held in **St Nicholas Church** on the 4th Saturday in the month.

Baptisms are held in **St Mary's Church** on the 1st & 3rd weekend in the month; Saturday at 4pm & Sunday at 12.30pm.

Contact the Parish Office for more information and a Baptism Enrolment form.

St Nicholas Parish Office

Open Monday & Thursday 9.30am -1.30pm
Email: saintnicholasparishoffice@gmail.com
Phone: 061-341300

St Mary's Parish Office

Open Wednesday & Friday 10.30am-1.00pm
Email: stmarysparishlk@outlook.com
Phone: 061-416300

You can contact the office if you wish to book a mass, order a cert or leave in your offerings to support your church. With Sympathy Mass cards & Mass Bouquet cards are available from the Parish Office

PARISH FACEBOOK:

www.facebook.com/Saintnicholasparish/
www.facebook.com/p/St-Marys-Catholic-Parish-Limerick

We encourage local groups in the area to avail of the Weekly Newsletter to promote upcoming events



Please send details for both parishes to saintnicholasparishoffice@gmail.com with NEWSLETTER in the heading

Our Newsletter is printed every Thursday at 12noon. Items received after this time unfortunately cannot be included

Information and Support for Birth Mothers whose babies were placed for adoption may e found at www.birthinfo.ie or by calling TUSLA at +353818445500



We offer our condolences to the family of
Gwen Hennigar R.I.P

May she rest in eternal peace, Amen

Mass Intentions St Nicholas Church

Saturday 6.30pm

Pro Populo

Sunday 10.00am

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We offer our condolences to the families of
Joan Hartigan R.I.P.

Maura Leamy R.I.P.

Catherine Ryan (Guerin) R.I.P.

Frank Junior Keane R.I.P.

Brian Muca McNamara R.I.P.

Dolores (Dolie) Benson R.I.P.

May they rest in eternal peace, Amen

Mass Intentions St Mary's Church

Saturday 5.00pm

Tom Scanlan M.M.

Anthony Doherty M.M. also remembering
his wife Rose and son Tony

Paddy Kennedy 11th Anniv

Bridie McNamara 1st Anniv

Pat McNamara 29th Anniv

Catherine O'Farrell 5th Anniv

Christy Hannon 3rd Anniv

Christina McCarthy 23rd Anniv

Alice Jackson 5th Anniv

Josephine Howard 1st Anniv

Marie O'Grady 1st Anniv

Eamonn Moloney 7th Anniv

Sunday 11.30am

Oscar Carey Anniv

Joseph & John Laffen Anniv

Josephine Howard 1st Anniv

Eddie O'Brien 10th Anniv

Teresa Neiland 10th Anniv

Joseph Nieland 6th Anniv

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



Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are in the Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I long for You in my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though You have already come, I embrace You and unite myself entirely to You; never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

St Nicholas Parish Meditation Group

Will resume on

Tuesday 9th January 2024 at 10.45am
in St Nicholas Prayer Chapel.

"Let us go to a quiet place and rest awhile"

All you need do is

"Turn up, close your eyes and get out of God's way"...

Everybody is welcome.



Weekend 23rd & 24th December (4th Weekend of Advent) also Christmas Eve & Christmas Day collections in St Nicholas Church amounted to €2565.87
€191.40 Diocesan Needs
€767.73 Cliona Foundation
Weekend 30th & 31st December
€715.00 total collection

Weekend 23rd & 24th December (4th Weekend of Advent) also Christmas Eve & Christmas Day collections in St Mary's Church amounted to €3459.13
€252.71 Shrines collection
€93.00 Diocesan Needs collection
Weekend 30th & 31st December
€1007.30 Weekend collection
€365.11 Shrines
€15.00 Diocesan Needs

Many thanks to the people who make a one-off end of year contribution to the collection which made a substantial increase to the collection amount. We are very thankful for your continued generosity, and grateful for your loyalty and support.

CHRISTMAS DUES We wish to acknowledge and thank all who have returned their Dues Envelopes. We are very aware that people are under financial pressure and sincerely thank all who are in a position to return their Dues envelope, and kindly ask those who have not returned a Dues envelope to consider doing so. The 'Dues' collection is used to support the Clergy in our parish.

Limerick Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes

The Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage is back in its full capacity for 2024, bringing a full team of workers and assisted pilgrims. If you know someone (family member, neighbour, friend etc) who would like to travel as part of our assisted pilgrim section please let them know. Christmas may even be an opportunity for people to give a gift of a trip to Lourdes to a family member. Further information available from Limerick Diocesan Office on 061-350000.

St Mary's Adult Education Centre Island Road

invite you to the

Registration Day

Wednesday 10th January

From 10.00am-4.00pm

You must attend in person to sign up for the many classes available

giveblood.ie

Wednesday 10th & Thursday 11th January

4.20pm to 7.40pm

AND

Sunday 14th January

11.50 am to 3.10pm

Appointments are available, and can be book by calling 1800 222 111.

Blood donation saves lives.

The hospitals requirement for blood is now 6% higher than for the corresponding period last year1.

The Irish Blood Transfusion Service Board (IBTS) wishes to thank our Limerick City Donors for their valuable support in 2023

Pilgrimages to Medjugorje

departing from Shannon to Mostar on

May 22nd and Aug 28th

early booking discount before Feb 2nd

contact John O'Brien Group leader 086 8586304

for more details

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.

Based in 33 Henry Street and Croom, several meetings including new meeting on Mondays 11-1pm. Contact Michael 086-6063182/Celia 0861526966/[Wwww.grow.ie](http://www.grow.ie)