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Mass times:

St Munchin's College. 9.45am. Mon, Tues & Wed. St Nicholas, Westbury 7.00pm – Thursday <u>Weekends:</u> <u>St Nicholas</u> 7.00pm – Sat. 10.30 am – Sunday <u>St Munchin's College</u> 12 noon – Sunday <u>PARISH NEWSLETTER</u>

Please feel free to take home a copy of this newsletter. A neighbour or friend who does not attend church in our parish might also welcome it. If you decide otherwise, please leave it on the table at the Exit on your way out. Thank you.

We also encourage groups to avail of it to promote upcoming events, letting know of someone who needs prayers etc.

Items for the newsletter to be in to: John... 085 7406822 Maura. 086 0429952

by Wednesday please. E-mail: Stnicholaspnewsleter@gmail.com

Feastdays-October

Mon 23—St. John of Capistrano Tues 24—St. Anthony Mary Claret Wed 25– BI Thaddeus McCarthy Fri 27—St. Otteran Sat 28—Sts. Simon & Jude— Apostles

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THE DEEP END: The Third Side of the Coin

Most of us have been raised to believe that there are two sides to every issue. So often we hear the term 'there are two sides to every story' or 'two sides of a coin' but there is, in fact, a third. A story always has your version, their version, and the truth. When it comes to a coin, there is the head side, the tail side, and the edge of the coin! One side of the coin may represent a particular point of view; the other its opposite. However, if we just stand the coin on its edge, we can see both sides more clearly and, more often than not, a third way.

What a loaded question the Pharisees' disciples and the Herodians asked Jesus. If Jesus said the taxes shouldn't be paid, he would have pleased the Pharisees but then they could report him and have him arrested as a rebel. If he said they should be paid, he would have gained the support of the Herodians but almost certainly lost all support from his followers.

But Jesus did not come into the world to discuss Roman taxation, temporal revolutions or political action. Neither did he come to only see two sides of a coin! He neither endorses Caesar as divine sovereign (as the inscription on the coin indicates) nor does he discourage the paying of taxes. He simply reminds his questioners that these are worldly affairs in a worldly kingdom but there is another kingdom yet to come with a much higher authority. 'Give to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God.'

Society of Missionary Children



Today is Mission Sunday and the Holy Father invites all Catholics to contribute to a special collection. Every person in every parish in every country where the Church is present will be celebrating together and sharing what they have, no matter how little. It is the one Sunday in the year when the Mass is celebrated exclusively for missionary activity. Donations are collected at these worldwide Masses and they go to support churches, hospitals, schools and vocations in countries where the Church is new, young or poor. It is also the one Sunday in the year when your generosity goes directly to help mission parishes overseas and reach out with Jesus' message of hope and love. World Missions Ireland is the Holy Father's official charity for overseas mission. It is responsible for coordinating Mission Sunday in Ireland and, through local bishops, churches, and missionary congregations around the world ensures that resources are distributed equitably and justly on the basis of need. In offering our prayers, we join with missionaries everywhere in communion and compassion to support them in spreading the Good News, and by giving a donation we respond to Christ's call to feed the hungry and clothe the naked so please give what you can. Thank You.



Parish Office Opening hours. Tues 2pm-4pm. Thurs 9.30am—12.30. for anyone who may need to book Masses get certificates or any other church related enquiries. Entrance to the

office is through the Adoration Chapel opposite the priest's house. Phone: 341300

Adoration Chapel

The Adoration Chapel is open from 9.30am to 6.00pm each day. We encourage you to come along for a quiet moment of prayer.





Baptism

Anyone wishing to have their baby baptised must give at least one months notice. Baptisms are on the 2nd & 4th weekend of each month. Times: 6.00pm Saturday evening St. Nicholas Church,

Maranatha Prayer Ministry invites you to our Healing Retreat on today, Sunday, 22nd October, 2017 at 2.30pm at St. Pauls Church, Dooradoyle, Limerick through the Ministry of Fr. Pat O'Sullivan and Janice and Moss Carrigg, Limerick with beautiful Spirit Filled Praise and Worship Music and Song, Confessions, Rosary, Divine Mercy

Chaplet, Talk, Mass and Adoration and Laying on of hands for healing. Tea after in hall. All welcome.....

As we approach Halloween

Halloween is fast approaching and for many this can be a very frightening and lonely time. We remind parents to be



children and who they are with. Talk to them about consideration for others, particularly our older community members and those who live alone. We also appeal to parents of the young people who loiter on the church grounds to talk to them about respect for property and the environment. Also to remind them that animals get very frightened with fire crackers etc. at this time.

THINK and make it an enjoyable Halloween for everybody.



SHOE BOXES

Would you like to take part in the Team Hope Christmas Shoebox Appeal? Remember the 4 Ws: Something to Write with-pens, pencils, colouring book, copy etc; Wash with- facecloth, bar of soap, toothbrush, toothpaste;

Wear-Hat, scarf, gloves, underwear; Wow-Small toys, cars, doll, teddybear etc.

Contact Carmel Naughton on 087 6716154 for information & leaflets. Return by November 10th



A mother was teaching her three year old daughter The Lord's Prayer. For several evenings at bedtime, she repeated it after her mother. One night she said she was ready to solo. The mother listened with pride, as she carefully said each word right up to the end..."And lead us not into temptation", she prayed, "but deliver us some e-mail, Amen."



Remembering those who are Sick

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

for Pat, Monica, Ailish, Annette, Aidan, Gabriel, Jim, Kathleen, Garrett, Helen, Maura, Philip, Tony, John,

Brian, Muirinn, Ken, Orla, Ciara, Paddy, Michael, Vera, Frank & Ger.

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. Amen.

If you know of anybody needing prayers etc, please let John/Maura know by E-mail stnicholaspnewsletter@gmail.com or Tel. John. 061 345368/Maura 086 0429952

VACANCY



Youth Ministry Co-ordinator, Diocese of Limerick

The Diocese of Limerick is a Catholic community of sixty parishes living and working together in service of the

Gospel of Jesus Christ.

The Youth Ministry Co-Ordinator will work as part of a twoperson team to deliver on the objectives and actions of the Young People theme in the Diocesan Pastoral Plan. The role will involve the creation, resourcing, delivery and support of youth ministry programmes and initiatives across the Diocese, working also with schools and parishes with a focus on building capacity in the local context.

Completed application form to be returned via post or electronic mail to: General Manager/Diocesan Secretary, Diocese of Limerick, Social Service Centre, Henry Street, Limerick or catherine@ldo.ie by the deadline of 5.00pm on Friday 27th Óctober, 2017.

Salary will be commensurate with qualifications/experience. A panel may be formed from the recruitment process that will expire after 1 year. Garda Vetting will apply in respect of this position.

