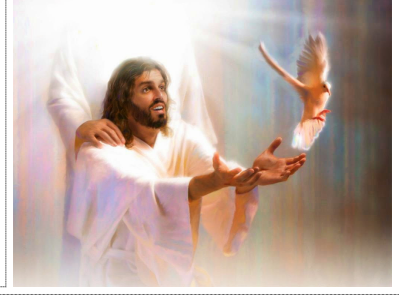




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**Mass times:**

**Weekday Masses:**

**Mon, Tues, Wed.**  
 9.45am.College Chapel  
**Thur, 7.00pm**  
 St Nicholas .Church

**Weekends:**

**Sat 7.00pm . St Nicholas**  
**Sun.10.30 am. St Nicholas**  
 12 noon:  
 St Munchin's College Chapel

**Items for newsletter**

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**Feastdays for May/June**

**Tues 29**  
 St Joseph Kowalski

**Thurs 31**  
 Visitation of the BVM.

**Fri June 1**  
 St Justin

**Sun 3**  
 Corpus Christi

Begin doing what you want to do now. We are not living in eternity. We have only this moment, Let us use it before it is too late.

**SEEING YOUR LIFE THROUGH THE LENS OF THE GOSPELS**  
**Matthew 28:16-20**

1. It is time for Jesus to return to his Father. He meets his disciples for the last time. His final words give them direction for their future. Perhaps you can recall such parting moments in your own life – leaving home, school, college, training, the death of a loved one. What was that like for you? Were there words spoken then that gave you direction for your future?
2. Perhaps you can identify with Jesus in the story, when as a parent, teacher, or in some other way you sent someone on his or her way in life, knowing you would not be with them as in the past. When did the way in which you parted help the other to make his or her own way in life?
3. Jesus told his disciples that although he would not be with them as in the past, he would be with them in a new way right throughout their lives. Have there been times when you were reassured by the love and support of another even though they were not physically present with you?
4. On parting from his disciples, Jesus gave them a mission for the future. Where, when and how did you get a sense of the meaning and purpose of your own life? How does that sustain you now? Is there any way in which that purpose ties in with the mission given to the eleven to spread the good news?
5. Jesus promised to be with his disciples until the end of time. It is a promise he would fulfil through the gift of the Holy Spirit. That promise is also given to us. What helps you to be aware of the presence of the Holy Spirit with you on life's journey? .....**John Byrne osa**

**MUSINGS**

For the light of the sun in the sky. For the light which shines through the window. For the light that shines early in the morning. For the light that shines late in the evening. We give God thanks and praise.

Solas na gréine sa spéir. An solas a scalann tríd an fhuinneog. An solas a scalann ar maidin. An solas a scalann tráthnóna. Molaimid thú aus gabhaimid buíochas leat, a Dhia. *The Family Prayer Book (Veritas 2013)*



**Volunteers Needed for St Nicholas Family Fun Day**  
**Our Parish Family Day** will take place on **Sunday, June 10th** from 11:30am to 3pm. This day will include Obstacle Course, Bouncing Castle, Play Trailer, Merry-go-Round, Face Painting, Barbecue and lots of more fun. Admission is free and donations on the day will be appreciated. In order to organise the day safely and smoothly, we would appreciate help. **If any adult/ teenager could volunteer to help on the day**, please place your name and contact number on the sheet at the back of the church. Or leave your name and Tel. No. in the sacristy after any of our masses.

## Invitation

The Salesian Sisters invite you to a quiet time of meditation on Tuesdays from 10.30am to 11:00 am. At their home. 3 Oakton Road, Westbury.



You are also invited to join them for the Rosary at 6.00pm. Mon-Friday during the month of May.

### Baptism:

Anyone wishing to have their baby baptised must give at least one month's notice. Please contact the office to make arrangements.

### Scoil Ide Notes

**Monster Raffle:** Sincere thanks to all our children, parents and friends who supported our Monster Raffle. The Raffle raised a total of €7,260 which will be spent on equipment and educational projects which we could not otherwise fund. Without the ongoing generosity of our parents none of these projects— which make school exciting for children— would be possible

**Ace Awards** are given for Community Spirit or Effort. Well done to our April ACEs.

VI: Nolan: Evan Kirwan & Sophie Duggan

VI: Heaney: Niall Gilfoyle & Emma Griffin

VI: Boland: Ronan Sheehan

**Junior Triathlon:** Training for the 6th Class end of year Junior Triathlon is underway with swimming, cycling and running taking centre stage. The Junior Triathlon— now in its 6th year— has become the major 'end of school' event for our 6ths. This year's event will take place on Wednesday, 13th June.

Good luck to all taking part.

### Mothers & Toddlers

Mothers & Toddlers meet every Tuesday morning from 10.30-12.30 in the Pastoral Centre in St Nicholas Church. All Welcome.

### Prayers for Exam Students

Over the next few weeks, our Parish Community will be praying in a special way for students preparing for their Junior Cert, Leaving Cert and College.

If You would like your family member, friend or neighbour included our daily masses, please write their name into the Petition book in the prayer space in the church.



### Limerick Corpus Christi Procession

You are invited to attend the Diocesan Corpus Christi Procession on the Feast of the Most Blessed Sacrament (Corpus Christi) on Sunday 3rd June.

at St Michael's Church

after the 4.30m Mass. The procession will proceed from St. Michael's to St. John's Cathedral. The children who received their First Holy Communion throughout the diocese are particularly welcome to attend and join in the procession in the Holy Communion attire.

**All are Welcome!**

## 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 Dermot, Maurice, Ailish R, Pat, Annette, Aidan, Gabriel, Jim, Kathleen, Garrett, Helen, Maura, Philip, Tony, John, Brian, Muirinn, Ken, Orla, Ciara, Paddy, Michael, Vera Ailish, Frank & Ger.

If you know of anybody needing prayers etc, please let John/Maura know by

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### Family Vocation Prayer

Jesus, You are the Good Shepherd who is always mindful of your Church. Watch over those who are baptised in your name, and grant peace and harmony to all families. Bless all parents, and help them to find peace and happiness through their vocation. We ask you to help all children and young adults to discover the vocation that will enable them to live life to the full as they become their best selves in the service of God's kingdom. We make this prayer in your name. Amen.

### St Munchin's College Chapel Choir

As this is the last Sunday that the choir will perform before they take their summer break, we would like to thank them for the music they presented during the year, under the guidance of their choirmaster and their organist. We thank you for the time, work, and heart that you put into preparing the special music throughout the year to provide beautiful hymns, songs, and musical testimonies to add to our church services. Enjoy your break, and we look forward to your return in September.

### Youth Ministry Leader Training 2018

This year the Youth Ministry Team delivered youth ministry training to 29 people from 13 parishes. This training was one of the key actions arising from the Synod process and the subsequent Pastoral Plan. The feedback from participants and clergy was very positive and we will be running another course beginning in September 2018. Please get in contact with Aoife [awalsh@ldpc.ie](mailto:awalsh@ldpc.ie) if you are interested in taking part in this year's training.

### A Haven of Peace and Quiet

Adoration is increasing and becoming more popular in the Limerick Diocese. Why not visit our little Chapel at the side of St Nicholas Church (across from the priests house) in Westbury.



### The Lighter Side

A three-year-old boy went with his father to see a litter of kittens. On returning home, he breathlessly informed his mother that there were 2 boy kitties and 2 girl kitties. "How do you know?" his mother asked. "Daddy picked them up and looked underneath," he replied, "I think it's printed on the bottom."

