



## St. Nicholas' Parish News

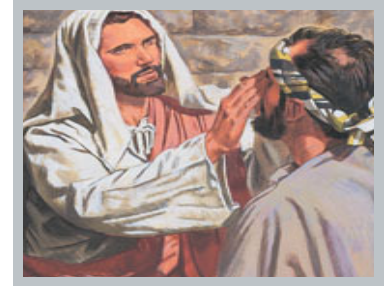
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30th Sunday of the Year

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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 Oct/Nov**

**Mon 29** Bl Michael Rua

**Wed 31** Bl Dominic Collins

**Thur 1** All Saints

**Fri 2** All Souls

**Sat 3** St Malachy

### SEEING YOUR LIFE THROUGH THE LENS OF THE GOSPELS

Mark 10:46-52

1. In this story Jesus cures the blind man, Bartimaeus. Recovery of sight in the Bible is often a metaphor for coming to faith. Perhaps during your life you have had moments of insight, of deeper understanding, of appreciating who Jesus is for you. What was it that helped you to see more clearly?
2. Who has the 'Jesus person' who helped you to see more clearly? Perhaps, as a parent, a teacher, or a friend, you have also been a 'Jesus person' for another and helped her or him to a clearer understanding of the meaning of life, love, and faith.
3. To get to Jesus, Bartimaeus threw aside his cloak so that he would not be impeded. What have you had to discard in order to be able to see more clearly (e.g., an assumption, a prejudice, a rigid opinion)?
4. 'Your faith has saved you' Jesus said to Bartimaeus. Recall situations in which you have been grateful for the faith that is yours because in some way it saved you. [John Byrne osa Email jpb Byrneosa@gmail.com](mailto:John.Byrne.osa@gmail.com)

### MUSINGS

'Mary, Virgin and Mother, you who, moved by the Holy Spirit, welcomed the word of life in the depths of your humble faith: as you gave yourself completely to the Eternal One, help us to say our own 'yes' to the urgent call, as pressing as ever, to proclaim the good news of Jesus. Filled with Christ's presence, you brought joy to John the Baptist, making him exult in the womb of his mother. Brimming over with joy, you sang of the great things done by God. Standing at the foot of the cross with unyielding faith, you received the joyful comfort of the resurrection and joined the disciples in awaiting the Spirit so that the evangelising Church might be born. Obtain for us now a new ardour born of the resurrection, that we may bring to all the gospel of life, which triumphs over death.' [Pope Francis, Evangelii Gaudium](#)

### Feast of All Saints Thursday Nov 1st. is a Holy Day.

Mass in St Munchin's College chapel at 9:45am and  
St Nicholas church at 7pm.

To celebrate All Saints Day, here is a short prayer:

Dear God, thank you for the example of the Saints. I desire to join in their company, worshiping you forever in Heaven. Please help me follow their footsteps, and yours, Jesus Christ. Please help me to conform myself to Your image, seeking Your will in all things, as the Saints did. Please help me to devote myself, and all that I do, to Your glory, and to the service of my neighbours. Amen.

### Jesus My Friend

Jesus, Jesus,  
You're so good to know.  
You are my friend  
Wherever I go



### All Souls Day Friday Nov 2nd.

Mass at 7pm in St Nicholas church, Westbury.

On all Souls day, we remember all the dead, those in heaven and those still on the way there: God alone knows where each soul is. Today we pray for all souls, for the faithful departed still on the journey to their heavenly home. God of loving-kindness, listen favourably to our prayers: strengthen our belief that your Son has risen from the dead and our hope that your departed servants will also rise again. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever. Amen.

### Parish Office Opening hours.

Opening times: Tues 2pm-4pm. Thurs 9.30am-12.30.  
for anyone who may need to book Masses get certificates or any other church related enquiries.

**Tel: 341300**

**Baptism:** Anyone wishing to have their baby baptised must give at least one months notice. Please contact the office to make arrangements.

### Bogus Phone Calls

Gardai are asking people to be aware of bogus phone calls. Please do NOT give personal information, bank details or any passwords over the phone. If you have concerns please ring Henry Street 212400

### Desert day November 10th

You are invited to a quiet peaceful day away from your busy schedule to remember your departed loved ones. The day will consist of quiet prayer, reflection and will conclude with the Eucharist. Venue: Westbourne, Ashbourne Avenue, Limerick Date: Saturday, November 10th 2018 Registration from 10am. Time 10.30 to 5.15 Booking is essential as places are limited. For details and information contact: Sr. Phyllis Moynihan at 0879636893 or Email: phymoy@yahoo.co.uk

### Sincere Apologies.



We carried an advertisement in last weeks newsletter stating that Scoil Ide Parents Council were holding a Bingo Night in Ardscoil Mhuire Corbally, on Tuesday 23rd October. This was an Ardscoil Mhuire Parents Council fundraiser and had nothing whatsoever got to do with Scoil Ide. We apologise most sincerely for our mistake, and hope that we have not upset too many people.

### Indulgences at the Commemoration of All Souls

From 12 o'clock noon on 1 November until midnight on 2 November, all who have confessed, received Holy Communion and prayed for the Pope's intentions, can gain one plenary indulgence by visiting a church or oratory and there reciting one Our Father and the Apostles Creed. The faithful who visit a cemetery and pray for the dead may gain a plenary indulgence applicable only to the Holy Souls, on the usual conditions once per day from 1 to 8 November. The conditions mentioned above also apply.



### For Loved ones Departed (All Souls Day)

Lord, be good to them, And show them all your love.  
Lord, be kind to them, And grant them peace above.  
Lord, be merciful to them, And wipe their sins away.  
Lord, be generous to them, With all my heart I pray.  
Lord, be gracious, For the good they have done.  
Lord, be gentle, For sufferings undergone.  
Lord, may we meet again,  
When heaven's crown be won.....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 Frank, Scarlett, Maurice, Ailish R, Pat, Annette, Aidan, Gabriel, Jim, Kathleen, Garrett, Helen, Philip, Tony, John, Brian, Muirinn, Ken, Orla, Ciara, Paddy, Michael, Vera Ailish, Frank, Ger and Mary. 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. If you know of anybody needing prayers etc, please let John/Maura know by E-mail: stnicholasnewsletter@gmail.com or Tel. John.085 7406822 Maura. 086 0429952

### 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.

### HAPPY HALLOWEEN



As we approach Halloween please remind our young people that for many this can be a very frightening and lonely time. We remind parents to be aware at all times of the whereabouts of their children and who they are with. Talk to them about consideration for others, particularly our older community members and those who live alone. Also remind them that animals get very frightened with fire crackers etc at this time. THINK and make it an enjoyable time for everybody.

### Tsunami in Indonesia.

Trócaire is supporting relief efforts to help bring vital supplies (water, food and medicine) to people who have been left with nothing. We are supporting our sister agency, Karina-Caritas Indonesia, who are working in the worst affected areas. The death toll is considerable, with around 2,000 deaths and up to 5,000 people still missing. Trócaire has committed to providing €30,000 to Karina-Caritas Indonesia to support an immediate response to ensure that the basic needs of the most vulnerable are met. We are ready to provide additional support over the coming weeks. Roads and bridges are impassable or destroyed, so there is no infrastructure. Transportation remains a challenge, while there is a major shortage of electricity or gasoline, which has led to further difficulties in reaching cut off communities.

### Mass of Remembrance



Our Candlelight Mass of Remembrance will be celebrated in at 7pm on Saturday November 17th in St Nicholas Church. Everybody welcome.

**The Lighter Side.** Little Jonnie had been exceedingly naughty, and during dinner he was forced to eat alone in the corner at a coffee table. When everyone was seated, his father bowed his head and gave thanks. Then little Jonnie gravely bowed his head and prayed out loud, "Thank you, Lord, for preparing a table for me in the presence of my enemies."

