

# St. Nicholas' Parish News

Sunday October 7 2018 27th 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:

 $\underline{\text{Sat}}\,7.00\text{pm}$  . St Nicholas

Sun.10.30 am. St Nicholas

12 noon:

St Munchin's College Chapel

# <u>Items for newsletter</u>

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# **Feastdays for October**

Tues 9

St Denis.

Bl. J.H Newman

Thur 11

St Canice (Ossory) St John XX111

Sat 13

Bl. Alexandrina Da Costa



Think of life as a good book, The further you

get into it, the more it begins to make sense.

### Seeing your life through the Lens of the Gospel. Mark 10:2-16

- 1. Marriages do break down, but in this story Jesus appears as the wise person urging people to seek first the original harmony where possible, rather than seek escape routes when difficulties arise. When have you found that, in marriage or in other relationships, the bonds have been strengthened when you have been prepared to work through difficulties?
- 2. There are other things that we needlessly and wrongly put in opposition: young and old, male and female, people from different cultures, body and soul. Perhaps at times you have discovered the advantages of exploring the richness in combining such apparently exclusive opposites.
- 3. The children in the second story can be taken as representing any group of 'little ones' whose opinion we may be inclined to dismiss. When have you found that you have been taught an important lesson about life, about love, or about faith by people whose views you had been inclined to dismiss?

  John Byrne osa

#### **MUSINGS**

'[The Rosary's] most characteristic element ... the litany-like succession of Hail Mary's, becomes in itself an unceasing praise of Christ, who is the ultimate object both of the Angel's announcement and of the greeting of the Mother of John the Baptist: 'Blessed is the fruit of your womb' (Lk 1:42). We would go further and say that the succession of Hail Mary's constitutes the warp on which is woven the contemplation of the mysteries. The Jesus that each Hail Mary recalls is the same Jesus whom the succession of the mysteries proposes to us – now as the Son of God, now as the son of the Virgin – at his birth in a stable at Bethlehem, at his presentation by his Mother in the Temple, as a youth full of zeal for his Father's affairs, as the Redeemer in agony in the garden, scourged and crowned with thorns, carrying the Cross and dying on Calvary; risen from the dead and ascended to the glory of the Father to send forth the gift of the Spirit.'

### **Praying the Rosary**



For the month of October the Rosary will be recited Monday to Friday at 6.00pm in 3 Oakton Road, (Nuns Residence)

Beginning Mon 8th. ......All Welcome.



In Appreciation of Those who Serve . . . . Volunteer Alert!

Saturday October 13<sup>th</sup>. The 7.00pm Mass in St Nicholas' Church, Westbury will be celebration for all those in our community of faith, who serve the needs of our parish. Without your generosity of spirit so much that underpins its vibrant life would be impossible to achieve. Refreshments will be provided afterwards. If you have not already replied to your invitation please do so immediately by Texting Fr Derek @ 087 6261287.

#### Halloween

People are already expressing real concern about Halloween and the lead up to it. 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.

# Pray for those who are ill



Continue to pray for Fiona, Scarlett, Tom, Mary, 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.

. May God be with them at this time of worry and anxiety. May he grant them a speedy recovery.

If you know of anybody needing prayers etc, please let John/Maura know by E-mail: stnicholaspnewsletter@gmail.com or Tel. John.085 7406822 Maura. 086 0429952

**Let us pray** also for those who are grieving the loss of a loved one and entrust them all to the care of the Great Healer. Amen

#### **Bridge**

"Corbally Community Bridge", has commenced again and new members who can play bridge, would be most welcome.

Venue: St Nicholas's Parish Centre, Westbury Time: 200.pm.

# Family & Friends

By Lizzie Pureheart

We all have a cherished garden we tend -It is planted with love of family and friends. The memories and dreams we treasure and share Are like beautiful roses found blooming there. The comfort and care on which we depend Is given with love between family and friends. The sunshine of laughter and rain of a tear Only make our love grow with each passing year. We may all be ourselves with no need to pretend Because of the love of family and friends; They notice the rainbows and weather the showers. They overlook weeds and praise all our flowers. The most valuable thing is the time that we spend Tending this garden with family and friends. When counting our blessings, we know from the start That family and friends come first in our heart.

# GUY FORCE

The HSE in conjunction with the Parteen/St Nicholas Men's Shed have collaborated to create GUY FORCE. The initiative is to bring awareness of men's health to the Local Community. We would like to invite you to the next health promotion topic for October Thursday 11th from 7-8pm.

Alzheimer information given by Amy Murphy.

All Welcome.

If you need further info on the Men's Shed, their address is.....10 Ashton Grove, Athlunkard, Westbury, Co. Clare, V94 P8YH

If you are all wrapped up in yourself, you are overdressed!.

Please take home a copy of this newsletter and one for a sick neighbour. If not, please leave it on the table by the door on your way out.

Thank you.



### Meditation



Quiet meditation on Tuesday mornings in 3 Oakton Road, Salesian Sisters Home, on Tuesdays Time:10.30am—11.00am
All welcome.

#### **ADORATION CHAPEL: 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.

### **Baptism:**

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

# 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 church related enquiries **Tel.341300** 

### **Limerick Mental Health Association**

Call us: Mon - Fri, 9am - 5pm 087 2485742 / 446786

Email: info@limerickmentalhealth.ie

Drop in: Thurs 10am - 1pm. 3 Sexton St, Limerick City.

# **Mission Sunday October 21**



Mission Sunday's Purpose.
It is 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. 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. World Missions Ireland 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.

# Parent and Toddler Group.

This group meet every Tuesday in the Pastoral Centre from 10.30 - 12.00. It is open to all young mothers and toddlers in our parish and is an ideal opportunity for to have a cup of coffee and a chat. Also for the toddlers to mix and play together.

#### Promises!!!

Paddy is struggling to find a parking space. "Lord," he prayed. "I can't stand this. If you open a space up for me, I swear I'll give up the drink and go to mass every Sunday." Suddenly, the clouds part and the sun shines on an empty parking spot. Without hesitation,

Paddy says: "Never mind, I found one!"

