



# St. Nicholas' Parish News

Sunday 17th June 2018  
11th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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### Mass times:

**St Munchin's College.**

9.45am. Mon, Tues & Wed.

**St Nicholas, Westbury**

7.00pm – Thursday

### Weekends:

**St Nicholas 7.00pm – Sat.**

10.30 am – Sunday

**St Munchin's College**

12 noon – Sunday

### PARISH NEWSLETTER



Please feel free to take home a copy of this news-letter. 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:

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by Wednesday please.

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### Feast Days June 2018

*(Month of the Sacred Heart)*

**Mon 18**—Venerable Matt Talbot

**Wed 27**—St. Cyril of Alexandria

**Fri 29**—Solemnity of Sts. Peter & Paul



to all our awesome volunteers and all who helped out on our Family Fun Day on Sunday. Thanks to Delumptious Desserts, our Philippino cooks and our Barbecuers for the great food as well as O Driscolls and Athlunkard Nursing Home for the

donations. Thanks to all of you who came and enjoyed the fun and thanks to God for keeping us dry and not too hot!



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**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, Sunday 1.00pm. St Munchin's College.



### THE DEEP END: From small seeds

The parable of the mustard seed seems pretty straight forward at first glance, but as always there is more to it than first meets the eye. Jesus did not compare the Kingdom of God to a majestic tree. There is an ancient text which forbade planting mustard seeds in Palestinian gardens because the shrub takes over wherever it is planted. It is wild, gets out of control, and attracts unwanted birds. The kingdom of God grows from something small to something large, but more than that, its growth is overwhelming and it will grow even where it is not wanted. Author and activist, Shane Claiborne, compares it to kudzu, a wild vine that could blanket entire mountain areas, smother trees, even crack cement buildings.

People of Jesus' time may have preferred the image of the lofty 'cedars of Lebanon' to explain God's kingdom, where the nations could build nests like the eagles do. Now that image may have gotten a few cheers from the crowd! Mustard plants however, only stand a few feet tall. Jesus is turning the ideals of power and triumph on their head again. The image we have here is of the birds who find a home in this little shrub which cannot be curtailed. It will grow even where it is not wanted. Watch out this week for glimpses of this 'mustard seed' kingdom quietly growing.

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prayer and pint

19th June

7:30pm

PRAYER  
ST. SAVIOUR'S DOMINICAN CHURCH  
GLENWORTH STREET

-8pm

PINT  
JERRY FLANNERY'S  
20 CATHERINE STREET

with  
**Laura McAlister**

speaking about *When Catholicism Meets Feminism*

18 TO 35'S ONLY PLEASE

**19TH JUNE -  
PRAYER AND  
PINT CALLING  
YOUNG  
ADULTS AGED  
18-35**

Young adults ages 18 - 35 are invited to Prayer and Pint on Tuesday, 19 June.

Mass will be celebrated by Fr. Bernadino, CFR at 7:30pm in the Dominican Church and afterward we will head to Jerry Flannery's for a talk by Laura McAlister called 'When Feminism Meets Catholicism.'

Food will be provided.



PRAY  
FOR THE SICK

### 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 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.

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](mailto:stnicholasnewsletter@gmail.com) or Tel. John.085 7406822 Maura. 086 0429952



Maranatha Prayer Ministry invites you to our Healing Retreat on Sunday, 24th June, 2018 at 2.30pm at St. Pauls Church, Dooradoyle,

Limerick through the Ministry of Bishop Fintan Monahan, Killaloe Diocese and Jomon Joseph, Voice of Peace.

### What Makes A Dad?

God took the strength of a mountain

The majesty of a tree,

The warmth of a summer sun,

The calm of a quiet sea,

The generous soul of nature,

The comforting arm of night,

The wisdom of the ages,

The power of the eagle's flight,

The joy of a morning in spring,

The faith of a mustard seed,

The patience of eternity,

The depth of a family need.

Then God combined these qualities

When there was nothing more to add,

He knew His masterpiece was complete,

And so, He called it ... "DAD"

