NEWSLETTER FOR PASTORAL UNIT 1



St Nicholas Parish

Mass Time Sunday 10.00am

Parish Live Streaming of Masses

from St Nicholas Church; log onto

https://www.churchservices.tv/limerickstnicholas

or via the parish website; www.saintnicholasparish.ie

St Mary's Parish



Mass Times

Saturday Vigil 5.00pm Sunday 11.30am Monday to Friday Morning Mass 10.00am

Parish Live Streaming of Masses

from St Mary's Church; log onto

https://www.churchservices.tv/limerickstmarys

Saturday 25th & Sunday 26th October 2025 Year of Hope

Clergy Contact Fr Richie Davern 0872977500 Salesian Sisters 061-348510



Baptisms are held in St Nicholas Church on the last Saturday in the month.

Baptisms are held in St Mary's Church on the 1st & 3rd Saturday in the month at 4pm Contact the Parish Office for more information and a Baptism Enrolment form.



St Nicholas Parish Office

Open Monday & Thursday 9.30am -1.30pm Email: saintnicholasparishoffice@gmail.com

Phone: 061-341300 St Mary's Parish Office

Open Wednesday & Friday 10.30am-1.00pm

Email:stmarysparishlk@outlook.com

Phone: 061-416300

You can contact the office if you wish to book a mass, order a cert or leave in your offerings to support your church. With Sympathy Mass cards & Mass Bouquet cards are also available from the Parish Office

PARISH FACEBOOK:

www.facebook.com/Saintnicholasparish/ www.facebook.com/p/St-Marys-Catholic-Parish-Limerick

We encourage local groups in the area to avail of the Weekly Newsletter to promote upcoming events To include your notice, please send details for both parishes to saintnicholasparishoffice@gmail.com with NEWSLETTER in the heading

Our Newsletter is printed every Thursday at 12noon. Items received after this time will not be included

Information and Support for Birth Mothers whose babies were placed for adoption may be found at www.birthinfo.ie or by calling TUSLA at +353818445500



We extend our sympathy to their families, and pray for the repose of the souls of Mary 'Rita' Gleeson R.I.P. Anna Smith R.I.P. Jack O'Doherty R.I.P. May they rest in eternal peace, Amen

Mass Intentions St Mary's Church

Saturday 5.00pm

Mick Hogan (M.M.)

Sheila & John Kiely-Neville (Anniv)

Patrick & Kathleen Johnson & daughter Delores (Anniv)

Elizabeth & Timothy Sheehan (Anniv)

George Stapleton (7th Anniv)

John Tobin (7th Anniv)

Bernadette Hehir (Anniv) & husband Michael (Rememb)

Sunday 11.30am

Michael Carmody (1st Anniv)

Helen McNamara-Healy (7th Anniv)

Teresa Ryan (15th Anniv)



We extend our sympathy to their family, and pray for the repose of the souls of Carol Ryan R.I.P. May she rest in eternal peace, Amen

Mass Intentions St Nicholas Church

Sunday 10.00am

Pro Populo

Prayer for the sick:

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

Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus,

I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament.

I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally,

come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

Live Streaming of ceremonies from St Mary's Church & from St Nicholas Church. This means your image will be broadcast live during a Mass service when you are near the Sanctuary and in particular if you sit in the front rows.

Parish Pastoral Council meet on a monthly basis. If you would like to raise any issues or suggestions at a meeting, please send by email to the relevant PC;

St Nicholas Parish Pastoral Council email: ppcstnicholas@gmail.com
St Mary's Parish Pastoral Council email; stmarysparishlk@outlook.com



The total collection for weekend 22nd & 23rd October amounted to €1438 in St Mary's Church and €555 in St Nicholas Church

We are very thankful for your continued generosity, and grateful for your loyalty and support.

Diocesan Needs Collection will be held this weekend. This collection is forwarded to the Diocesan Office and used to fund central support services to parishes of our Diocese.

Making a donation to the church by bank transfer St Mary's Church Account

IBAN: IE11 AIBK 9352 4794 4621 73 BIC: AIBKIE2D

St Nicholas Church Account

IBAN: IE84 BOFI 9045 9525 8744 17 BIC: BOFIIE2D

St. Nicholas Parish Meditation Group

Our group meets every Tuesday for about 20 minutes of meditation at 10.45am in St. Nicholas Parish Prayer Room. Everyone is welcome!

"All God asks of humanity is that they be faithful to the present moment."



ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

St Mary's Church Wednesday 10.30am-11.30am (after Mass)

St. Nicholas Flame of Love Cenacle

Tuesday 7.00-8.30pm St Nicholas Prayer Chapel New members welcome, under 18's cannot be facilitated until further notice. For more information; www.flameoflove.ie or call Rachel 0857536504.

World Mission Sunday The Holy Father's annual appeal for support.

Between our two parishes we will be sending over €2500 to the Mission Sunday appeal held last weekend. It is a wonderful reflection on our faith communities and I am proud to be sending that amount on your behalf, to the Diocesan Office to be forward to Rome.

A sincere thanks to the Franciscan Missionaries of Mary Sister who spoke at the Masses last weekend and put flesh on the bones of what a missionary church involves in reality.

Donation from St Mary's Church amounted to €1657.35

Donation from St Nicholas Church amounted to €905.77

Thanks to all for your wonderful response. Fr. Richie.

St Nicholas Parish Office will be closed on Monday 27th

Help Keep St Mary's Parish Flourishing and Vibrant in Faith

Parish wide consultation process on the future of our parishes Parishioners are at the heartbeat of every faith community. We are blessed to have people here in St Mary's parish who have a keen sense of belonging and identity with the parish. The future of any parish depends on itself and on the people who are involved in their local church community. It is important from time to time for parishioners to reflect on the gift of faith and on the parish in which their faith is shared, celebrated and experienced. This Autumn, the diocese is embarking on a parish wide consultation process on the future of all 60 parishes in the Diocese of Limerick. Bishop Leahy is inviting all parishioners to participate in this consultation process to help shape the future of pastoral units and parishes. A consultation gathering will be held in St Mary's parish on Tuesday 28th October in St Mary's Church at 7.00pm.

As preparation for the meeting, we need to reflect on, how can we as a parish sustain our faith community into the future? Where do we see scope for cooperation with neighbouring parishes in our pastoral unit of parishes? What aspects of parish life could we, the laity, take responsibility for and organise ourselves? Many thanks for your support and assistance in the parish. We look forward to welcoming you on Tuesday 28th October at 7.00pm

Feast of All Saints 1st November. This year the Feast Day falls on a Saturday. We will have Mass at 10 am in St. Mary's Church on the Feast Day itself. As the 1st November is also the first Saturday of the Month, there will be Mass in St. Nicholas Church at 6.30pm (we will not have a Vigil Mass in St Nicholas on the Friday 31st October)

Annual Mass of Remembrance for the Deceased of our Parish will be held on Saturday 1st November 5pm in St Mary's Church Sunday 2nd November 10am in Nicholas Church

We will remember all those whose funerals were celebrated since last November 2nd 2024, During each of the Masses, the names of each person whose funeral was celebrated will be called out and a family member will be invited to come forward to light a candle which we will have prepared on the Sanctuary in memory of their loved one. (You do not need to bring a candle).

After the names of the deceased have been read out, there will then be an opportunity for people to go to the back of the church and collect a small lit candle which they can bring forward in memory of a loved one who passed away in the last year but whose funeral was celebrated elsewhere.

We look forward to meeting you on the night.

Bank Holiday Monday. October 27th Mass in St. Mary's at 11 am as opposed to 10 am.

The University Maternity Hospital Annual Ceremony of Remembrance Sunday 2nd November at 3pm The Church of the Holy Rosary, Ennis Road, Limerick