# 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 29th & Sunday 30th November 2025

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 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> 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

# Parish News

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

Noreen Clohessy R.I.P. Nancy Lawless R.I.P. John Brindlev R.I.P.

Paddy 'Pat' Carty R.I.P. Philip McNamara R.I.P.

Helen 'Lena' O'Dwyer R.I.P.

Christopher 'Christy' Grace R.I.P. Sean O'Halloran R.I.P.

May they rest in eternal peace, Amen

#### Mass Intentions St Mary's Church

#### Saturday 5.00pm

Anna Smith (M.M.)

Kathleen Moloney (6th Anniv)

Nora Wallace (10th Anniv)

Noel Malone (22<sup>nd</sup> Anniv)

Mary Malone (Birthday Rem.)

#### Sunday 11.30am

Rita Gleeson (M.M.) Kevin Gleeson (M.M.)



We extend our sympathy to their families, and pray for the repose of the souls of Paddy Reidy R.I.P. May he rest in eternal peace, Amen

#### Mass Intentions St Nicholas Church

Sunday 10.00am

Carol Ryan (M.M.)

#### 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 collection for last weekend, 22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> November amounted to €1569 in St Mary's Church, € 664 Diocesan Needs

€ 545 in St Nicholas Church

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

#### ST VINCENT DE PAUL

**Annual Churchgate Christmas Appeal** 

will take place next weekend, 6th & 7th December in St Mary's Church & St Nicholas Church. Your donations have helped many families; through providing christmas hampers, home fuel assistance, education support and help with emergency day to day living expenses. St Vincent De Paul relies on your continued donations to help the many families in need in our community & city. Thank you in advance.

#### 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.

## Historic Photo Exhibition of Athlunkard Boat Club

Opening Tues 2 Dec 2025 from 18:00 to 20:00 At the People's Museum of Limerick, Pery Square, Opening - Tues 2 Dec 2025:

6pm Photography Exhibition open to ALL for viewing and Drinks & Refreshments

7pm Brief Welcome by Caron Tierney | Photography Exhibition Coordinator & Club Member

Free Exhibition will be open for three days only from 10am-4pm on Wed 3, Thurs 4 and Fri 5 Dec 2025

#### Syro Malanakar Community

Congratulations to Fr Yoyaki, his fellow priests and members of the Syro Malanakar Rite, who in a most beautifully colourful and vibrant liturgy, complimented with a magnificent choir marked the inauguration of their parish which will be based at St. Nicholas. Alot of work went into the ceremony and we congratulate all who were involved. It was lovely to see Fr. Yoyaki so at ease among his people. It was lovely to see our church being of such service to their community.

Morning Mass on Wednesday December 3rd in St Mary's Church will be at the earlier time of 9.30am No exposition for this one Wednesday

Saturday evening Vigil Mass in St Nicholas Church on the First Saturday of the month;
6<sup>th</sup> December at 6.30pm

#### Weekly Offertory Box of Envelopes for 2026,

For those parishioners who contribute to the Weekly Collection using this system, your 2026 box will be ready for collection from the Church after Mass on Saturday 6th & Sunday 7th December Parishioners who are not already using the Envelope System, might like to consider it as the tax advantage to the Parish is very significant. To join, simply give your name and contact details to the Parish Office and we will arrange a box of Offertory Envelopes for you.



A time of reflection in preparation for Christmas 2 Advent Reflection Sessions in St. Nicholas' Prayer Chapel Monday, Dec 1st & Monday, Dec 15th at 7.30pm. All are welcome

# Bambinelli Blessing

The beautiful Advent Tradition, Bambinelli Sunday, was instituted by Saint Pope John Paul II during his Papacy. Families brought their Baby Jesus figures from the crib at their homes to St. Peter's Square where the Pope will bless both the people and the figurines during the Angelus.

We will celebrate "Bambinelli Sunday" at all Masses on December 6th/7th - The Second Sunday of Advent.

You are invited to bring the Baby Jesus figure from your home to Mass that weekend to be blessed. A suggestion: Following the blessing, take your "Bambinelli" home and place it in a gift box, wrap it, and save it for Christmas morning. Let this be the first gift your family opens on Christmas, when together you place your Baby Jesus figure in the crib, and have a home blessing of the Nativity for your whole family