

Sunday 19th January 2020

Parish Newsletter



Pope declares special Sunday each year dedicated to word of God

ROME - To help the Church grow in love and faithful witness to God, Pope Francis has declared the third Sunday in Ordinary Time (Sunday 19th January) to be dedicated to the word of God. "A day devoted to the Bible should not be seen as a yearly event but rather a yearlong event, for we urgently need to grow in our knowledge and love of the Scriptures and of the risen Lord, who continues to speak his word and to break bread in the community of believers." "The relationship between the risen Lord, the

community of believers and sacred Scripture is essential to our identity as Christians. Without the Lord who opens people's minds to his word, it is impossible to understand the Scriptures in depth, yet "without the Scriptures, the events of the mission of Jesus and of his church in this world would remain incomprehensible," Sacred Scripture and the sacraments are inseparable, he wrote. Jesus speaks to everyone with his word in sacred Scripture, and if people "hear his voice and open the doors of our minds and hearts, then he will enter our lives and remain ever with us,"

Prayer for Vocations

Good Father, send you Holy Spirit upon our families. Strengthen marriages so that husbands and wives may give witness to the love that is not afraid of sacrifice. Make each home a place where Christ is known and loved; where his peace is shared; where his call to service is welcomed. Grant courage to the young people you are calling to lay down their lives as priests and religious, and bless their families a hundredfold for their support and sacrifice. Father, keep us faithful to the call of the Gospel, so that the world may see in us the living image of your Son, Jesus Christ, who is Lord for ever and ever. Amen.

Parish Clerks Collection

Parish Clerks collection takes place at all masses next weekend, January 25th & 26th. Envelopes are available at the back of the Cathedral. Please take one and return it next weekend. Thanks for you continued support.

Maranatha Prayer Ministry

Maranatha Prayer Ministry invites you to our January Healing Retreat at St. Pauls Church, Dooradoyle at 2.30pm through the Ministry of Rev. Fr. Robbie Coffey, and Sr. Rose Miriam, Dominicans on Sunday 19th January, Mass at 5pm.

Upcoming Classes in St John's Parish School. Parent and Community Classes Beginners English Class: Mondays 9:00-11:00 am. Parents Room. St Johns Girls and Infant Boys School.

Cooking Class: Starting Tuesday Jan 21st: 9:30-12 noon. Parents Room. St Johns girls and Infant Boys School.

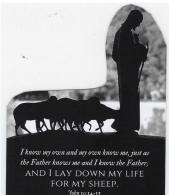
Zumba Fitness Class: Wednesdays 9-10:00am. School Hall. St Johns Girls and Infant Boys School.

Hairdressing Class. Commenced Friday 17th January. 9;15-11:15. Parents Room. St Johns Girls and Infant Boys.

Furniture Restoration Class: Starting Friday 7th February, 11-1:00 pm, Pennywell Daycare Centre.

Incredible Years Parenting Programme (ages 4-12yrs), Fridays 9:30-11:45, Garryowen CDP, John St.

Contact Austin Newman Home School Community Liaison, St John's Parish Schools on 085 7560609/061 416752 for further information.





The winner of the last draw is Maire O'Donnell



Enrolment 2020

St John's Girls and Infant Boys School and St John's Pre–School are now taking enrolments for September 2020. Please contact the schools for further information.

Novena to St Anthony

Every Tuesday at the 10am and 5.45pm Mass.

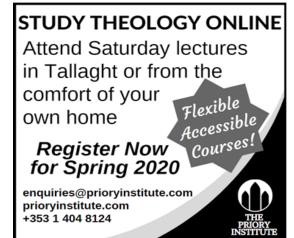
Annual Diocesan Collection for Limerick Social Services Centre.

The Annual Diocesan Collection for the Social Services Centre will take place this weekend 18th and 19th January. Thank you for your continued interest and support, which enables us to continue to respond in creative ways to emerging needs.

Diocesan Needs Collection

Thanks to all who supported last week's Diocesan Needs Collection. Next month's collection will take place 8th and 9th February. Your continued support is greatly appreciated. Thank you.





Sympathies

We extend our sympathy to the family and friends of George Gardiner Rip, Barry McCarthy Rip, Theresa Hayes Rip.

Mass Intentions	
Saturday 18th	10am Joseph Hickey. 6pm Eugene Kennedy, Michael Sheehan, Maria Grace,
	Aíne McCarthy, Ann Duffy nee Dempsey, Michael & Martha Moloney.
Sunday 19th	10.30am Beau Barry.
	12 noon Sandra Slattery - Av and Birth Rem, Martha, Tom, Joe and Paul Quigley. Kenneth Bentley. 7pm Patrick Hanrahan, Mary Williams - Months Mind, Lorraine McNamara (Av).
Monday 20th	10am Dermot Counihan. 5.45pm Nuala Fitzgibbon, Thanksgiving.
Tuesday 21st	10am Michael & Ellen Redican, Joseph Buckley. 5.45pm Mary O'Neill.
Wednesday 22nd	10am John Lynch & Daughter Elizabeth Hatfull. 5.45pm Shanahan Family.
Thursday 23rd	5.45pm O'Neill Family.
Friday 24th	5.45pm Michael O'Doherty - Months Mind. Birthday Thanksgiving.
Saturday 25th	10am John Roche. 6pm Gus McNamara, Martha Carey, Emmet Pearse,
	Thomas Frawley, Tom Kennedy –90th Birth Rem.
Sunday 26th	10.30am Mary Crotty, Tom Barry, Margaret Reidy, John Delahunty (Av).
	12 noon John & Frances Collopy, Edward & Bernadette Waters, Pauline Yu nee Byrnes, Debbie Johnson– Birth Rem, Tom Tuite (Av), Anna Tuite - Month's Mind, Joan Mulcahy. 7pm Frankie Bourke, Teresa O'Neill.