

**Reflection** : Today's Gospel talks about, "Nation fighting against Nation, Kingdom against Kingdom?". Is this what we are presently experiencing in our world?

This week, at the COP27 in Egypt, we are hearing terribly dire warnings from World leaders about climate change and the, nearly, unrecoverable damage we are doing to our planet. One is immediately struck by the starkness of the opening address of the Secretary General of the United Nations:

"We are in the fight of our lives, and we are losing. Global temperatures keep rising. We are on a highway to climate hell with our foot still on the accelerator."

He concluded his opening remarks with these words:

"Humanity has a choice: cooperate or perish. It is either a Climate Solidarity Pact – or a Collective Suicide Pact."

"Our Father created such a beautiful world, only for us to destroy it. I hope world leaders see the importance of tackling climate change soon". *Pope Francis*



During Advent, there will be a series of evenings based on "**Advent Stations**". Each night will consist of a scripture reading, a reflection, some sharing and a short prayer service. The evening will conclude with a cup of tea and a chat.

**Evening: Friday**      **Time: 7.00pm**

**Venue: St. John's Parish Centre, behind Cathedral House.**

**Friday 2 December**; The Angel of the Lord appears to Mary. **Friday 9 December**; Mary goes to Elizabeth.

**Friday 18 December**; Joseph's Dream.

**Friday 23 December**; The Journey to Bethlehem.

All are welcome to attend and if you are willing to volunteer to help with the organising of the evenings, please contact any of the Priests of the Parish, Kieran or the office at 061 414624.



**Of Limerick Saints and Seekers' book launch, Tuesday 22nd November, 7:30pm**

In Limerick Diocesan Centre. Of Limerick Saints and Seekers was edited by our own David Bracken. The collection, featuring stories of the great and good people of Limerick from St Ita to the present day, celebrates the contribution of people of faith, from this place, in every generation. The book will be launched by Dr Liam Chambers of MIC on Tuesday 22nd of November at 7:30pm in the Limerick Diocesan Centre adjacent to St Munchin's College. Please register to attend the launch by the 15th of November by emailing David Bracken at [david.bracken@limerickdiocese.org](mailto:david.bracken@limerickdiocese.org).



### **Split the Pot**

Congratulations to **John Ryan** winner of last weekend's draw. (6/11). Split the Pot Envelopes are available at the back of the church.

### **Recent Baptisms**

Welcome to God's Family

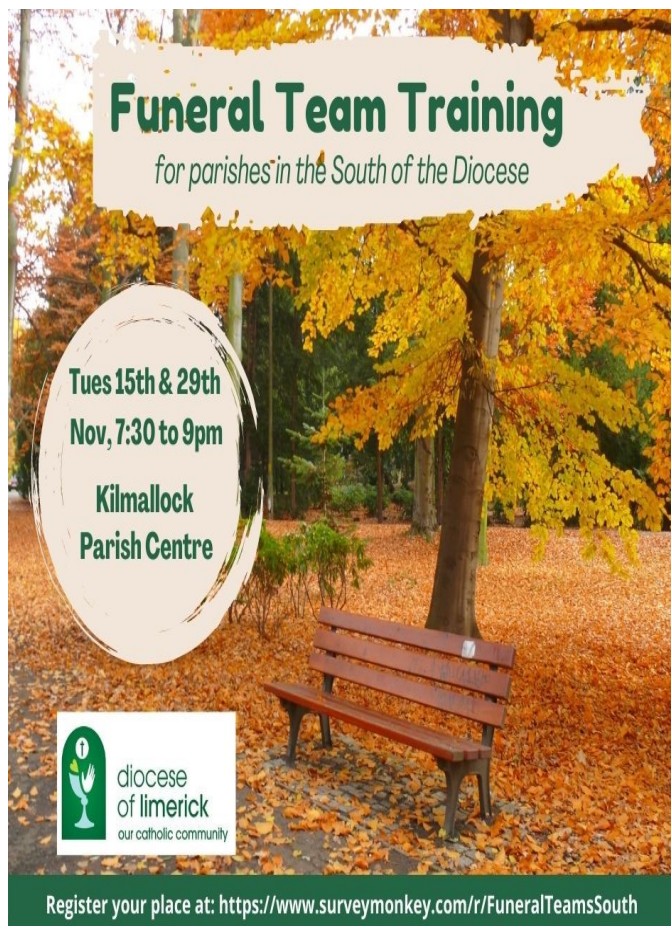
*Priya Doran Byrne*  
*Havanna Meehan Lowe*



We offer our sympathies to the families and loved ones of the recently Deceased.

*Margie Sheahan RIP*  
*Anthony O'Neill RIP*  
*Gerard Rochford RIP*

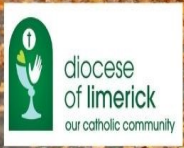




**Funeral Team Training**  
for parishes in the South of the Diocese

Tues 15th & 29th  
Nov, 7:30 to 9pm

Kilmallock  
Parish Centre

 diocese  
of limerick  
our catholic community

Register your place at: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/FuneralTeamsSouth>

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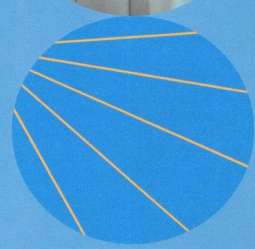
Men's retreat Thursday 17th -  
Sunday 20th November (18+)

Women's retreat Thursday 2nd -  
Sunday 5th March (18+)

Location: Holy Family Mission,  
Glencomeragh, Co. Tipperary  
(near Clonmel)

Total Cost: 195 euro including  
full board accommodation  
Limited places, book now!

Interested, or just want to find out more?  
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**Grow Mental Health Information Session**, Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> November, 7pm to 8:30pm,  
at Grow offices, 33 Henry Street, Limerick.

Grow is a mental health charity that provides free, friendly, community based, peer support groups for anyone who is experiencing a mental health issue. Sharon Kleiser (Grow volunteer and participant in our Lay Pastoral Ministry Programme), along with Mary Purcell (Grow Midwest Manager) and Amie Hughes (Grow Midwest Coordinator) are offering an information session on Wed 16<sup>th</sup> November for people from parishes across the Diocese to learn more about supporting positive mental health and recovery. This is a great opportunity in the challenging times we are living in, to gain insight to strategies and supports that could be of benefit in our families and parish life. There is no registration required, you will be welcome to attend and bring anyone who might benefit with you. Please feel free to circulate the attached poster.

- **Advent: 'Waiting' with a Difference Reflection Day**, Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> November, 10:30am to 4pm,
- **Glenstal Abbey.**

The Irish Institute for Pastoral Studies (MIC) is offering an Advent day of recollection, facilitated by Sr Therese Fitzgerald, in the beautiful surrounds of Glenstal Abbey. The day will help us slow down and awaken ourselves to God's treasures in unexpected places, deepening our awareness of God's presence with us, by being more choiceful in how we wait. A contribution of €40 is requested for the day which will include lunch. You can register your place at this link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/AdventWaiting>

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