

 **Liturgy Corner**

This week, **Holy Week**, is the high point of both the life and liturgy of the Church.

Today on **Palm Sunday** we begin our annual celebration of the death and resurrection of Our Beloved Saviour Jesus Christ, with the account of his triumphant entry into the city of Jerusalem. We read the "long Gospel" the account of the Passion and Death of Jesus, which reminds us of the depth of the love in which God holds us.

On **Wednesday** the **Mass of Chrism** will be celebrated at which the Priests of the Diocese will renew their vows, this year there will also be the sending forth of Lay Pastoral Leaders. The oils to be used in the celebration of the Sacraments in the Diocese throughout the year are blessed.

On **Thursday** we commemorate the inauguration of the Mass with the celebration of the **Lord's Supper** after which there will be an opportunity for adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. We are reminded of the invitation of Jesus to his disciples on that first Holy Thursday night, "watch one hour with me."

Friday the day we call **Good Friday** because of the extent of the love shown for us by Jesus. We again listen to the account of the final hours of Our Lord's earthly life. The cross is the focus of the day, reminding us of the challenge of living in the way of the Lord, aware of and responding to those who suffer.

The most glorious and elaborate of all the Church's liturgies, the **Easter Vigil**, take place on **Saturday night**, when the darkness of Good Friday is turned into the light of the Risen Christ, a light which today can burn brightly in and through each one of us.

Recent Death:

We offer our sympathies to the family and loved ones of the recently deceased.

Rachel Foran RIP



May God grant her eternal rest..

Recent Baptisms:

Welcome to the Christian Community the children who were baptised here in the Cathedral last weekend: -



**Miles Hartigan
Indie Cross Hickey**

Priests of the Parish

Canon Gerard Garrett
Fr Frank O'Connor
Fr Leo McDonnell

Parish Office

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Mass Times

Mon—Fri 10am, 5.45pm
Sat 10am & 6pm Vigil
Sun 8am, 10.30am,
12 noon

Holy Days

Vigil Weekdays 5.45pm
Weekdays 10am &
5.45pm

Confessions

Saturday's 10.30am

Baptisms

Saturday 4.30pm

Eucharistic Adoration
Will not take place next
Friday—Good Friday

Cathedral Shop

Open Mon - Sat from
10.30am to 1pm.

**Easter cards available to
buy.**

Split the Pot:

Congratulations to
James Ryan
winner of last weekends
draw (26/3).

Notices

Tues 4th Apr: Penitential Service takes place at Our Lady Help Of Christians Church, Milford, Castletroy at 7.30pm. All are welcome to attend.

Wed 5th Apr: Chrism Mass takes place in the Cathedral at 7.30pm.

Thurs 6th Apr: St Michael's Church: -Padro Pio novena will **not** take place this month owing to the fact that the Feast of Lord's Supper will take place at 6pm followed by adoration for half hour. Novena will resume next month and thereafter.

Fri 7th Apr: Good Friday collection takes place for Holy Places.

TLC Limerick Join Paul O'Connell for **Team Limerick Clean Up 2023** this **Good Friday!** This year, participants in TLC8 are encouraged to bring a friend and involve any new neighbours in the community to come along and join in, in making Limerick a cleaner and more environmentally friendly county. The popular tea and coffee gatherings after the clean-up will also be held at locations throughout the city and county.

Details of **Easter Ceremonies** taking place here at St John's are available at the back of the Church. We invite you to join with us.

Easter Dues Envelopes are available at the back of the church, they can be returned in the offertory collection during mass or handed into the sacristy to Kieran. All donations go towards the upkeep of our clergy who are very grateful for your generous offerings.

Parish Office will be closed from Tues 11th April and will re-open Mon 17th April.

LAUNCH OF THE WALL OF HOPE



**MARKETS FIELD
GARRYOWEN**

**GOOD FRIDAY
APRIL 7TH
AT 11.30AM**

ALL ARE WELCOME

A collaboration of:

