



Sunday 17th May 2020

Parish Newsletter

Sunday Reflection

We join with Pope Francis today who has asked us to pray for the people who buried the dead during this pandemic.

Mass times from Monday 18th May to Sunday 24th May

We will continue to celebrate Mass behind closed doors (no congregation). Monday - Friday 5.45pm,

Saturday (Vigil Mass) 6pm, Sunday 10.30am and 12 noon. Please join us through our webcam. www.limerickcathedral.com

RE-OPENING OF CATHEDRAL

The Cathedral will be **re-opening on May 18th**. As you know, the Government has indicated May 18th as the next date of the lifting of restrictions. The re-opening of the Cathedral is just for private visits.

There will be NO organised prayer moments while the Cathedral is open.

- It is not enough simply to re-open the Cathedral. We will continue to take steps in promoting **good public health safeguards**.
The Cathedral will be open Monday to Saturday between 11 am and 2 pm.
- **Hand sanitisers:** will be available in appropriate locations in the Cathedral.
- **Entrance and Exit:** The doors will be designated as entrance and exit.
- **Signage:** There will be signs to remind people of social distancing, hand hygiene, minimum touching of surfaces etc.
- **Cleaning:** Measures will be put in place to ensure that surfaces are cleaned each day.
- **Designated Area:** It is important that you do not go beyond the roped off area.

It is important we follow these instructions if the Cathedral is to be kept open.

Masses will continue for now to be celebrated behind closed doors.

The Government has indicated July 20th as the date when small public celebrations may begin. We are grateful that we can take this first step in re-opening the Cathedral. It has been a painful time for people not to be able to visit and say a prayer, so this is good news.

Trócaire Money Box and Parish Easter Dues

May 31st (Pentecost Sunday) has been designated a time when people can return their **Trócaire money box and, for us in Limerick, Easter Dues**. Throughout Ireland, Trócaire will promote this request to return the Trócaire money box this weekend and they will suggest different ways to do so. Here in Limerick we will also propose that if people want to return Easter Dues, they can do so that same weekend. Your **Trócaire box or Easter Dues** can be handed in at the Sacristy door between 5pm and 7pm on that Saturday or Sunday morning. We will also be available at the parish office on Sunday afternoon.

CORONAVIRUS HELPLINE FOR OLDER PEOPLE:

0818 222 024

**If you have concerns or queries about COVID-19
call ALONE's dedicated support line everyday, 8am - 8pm**



Meals on Wheels

Pennywell Day Centre is offering a hot main course lunch for €3, Monday to Friday. Meals can be collected or if needed will be delivered within the local area. Orders can be placed with Geraldine on **061 414150** any morning before 10am. Please spread the word to older people in your neighbourhood who might be interested.

Online Donations

We have launched a **Donation Page** on our Website www.limerickcathedral.com

All Baptisms and Weddings are postponed until further notice.

Sympathies We extend our deepest sympathies to the families and friends of the recently deceased in the Parish.



IF YOU NEED TO SPEAK TO AN EXPERIENCED **COUPLES & RELATIONSHIPS COUNSELLOR**
Contact: **01 531 3331**, 9.00 am - 8.00 pm, Monday to Friday *All calls charged at local rate.*

The Community Call: For Daily Updates Visit www.gov.ie/communitycall www.hse.ie

Limerick City and County 1800 832 005 covidsupport@limerick.ie

Alcoholics Anonymous Contact 061 311222 / e-mail aalimerick@gmail.com

Split the Pot The winner of last weekend's draw (Sunday 10th May) was David McMahon. You may leave your envelope with Kieran on Saturdays at the church sacristy.



Radio Maria Daily Mass will be aired at 10am each day including Sunday. Saorview, Channel 210

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