

Sunday 24th May 2020

Parish Newsletter

SUNDAY REFLECTION

Ephesians 4:11-13 reveals that, when Christ ascended, he gave gifts to men (apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors, and teachers) "to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ."

MASS TIMES FROM MONDAY 25TH MAY TO SUNDAY 31ST 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

Anniversary Masses can be arranged by calling Kieran at 061 414624.

Bishop Brendan has issued an invitation to the Children who await their Confirmation celebration, to join him through the webcam from St John's Cathedral at 12 noon on Pentecost Sunday. During the Mass we will have the ceremony of Light. We invite families to gather at home and light their child's Baptismal Candle and share in our prayer for them.



CONFIRMATION CHILDREN AND PARENTS

SUNDAY, MAY 31ST, PENTECOST SUNDAY
YOU ARE INVITED TO JOIN VIA SOCIAL MEDIA IN THE
CELEBRATION OF MASSES THROUGHOUT THE DIOCESE OF
LIMERICK THAT WILL FOCUS ON PREPARATION FOR
CONFIRMATION AND THE CEREMONY OF LIGHT.
BISHOP LEAHY WILL CELEBRATE MASS AND THE CEREMONY OF
LIGHT IN ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL AT 12 NOON LIVE-STREAMED
ON WWW.CHURCHSERVICES.TV/LIMERICKCATHEDRAL

MASSES WILL BE CELEBRATED IN A NUMBER OF OTHER PARISHES AND TRANSMITTED LIVE.
THESE MASSES WILL ALSO INCLUDE THE CEREMONY OF LIGHT.
CHECK WITH YOUR LOCAL PRIESTS.

TRÓCAIRE MONEY BOX AND PARISH EASTER DUES

Next Sunday is Pentecost Sunday, it has been designated as the day to return your Trocaire Box and the Easter Dues envelopes for the support of the Parish clergy. To facilitate this, you may hand them in at the sacristy between 10am and 1pm or at the Presbytery in the afternoon. We thank you for your continued support of Trocaire and the priests of the parish.

RE-OPENING OF CATHEDRAL

The Cathedral has re-opened on May 18th. The re-opening of the Cathedral is just for private visits.

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

The Cathedral will be open Monday to Saturday between 11 am and 2 pm.

- It is not enough simply to re-open the Cathedral. We will continue to take steps in promoting good public health safeguards.
- **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.

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 <u>www.limerickcathedral.com</u>

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.

SPLIT THE POT

The winner of last weekend's draw (Sunday 17th May) was Ger Braddish.

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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