

Sunday 7th March 2021

Parish Newsletter

Reflection:



After clearing the Temple of the merchants and the moneychangers, John's Gospel tells us that the people asked for a sign of Jesus' authority to do such an audacious act. In response, Jesus predicted his death and Resurrection.

During Lent we reflect upon the meaning of this sign for us and for our world. We might take this opportunity to consider the quality of our prayer and worship. In our prayers we seek to deepen our relationship with the person of Christ. In our worship with the community, we gather to experience anew the passion, death, and Resurrection of Jesus and its significance in our lives. Christ promises to be present with us when we gather for prayer.

Mass times from Monday 8th to Sunday 14th March

We will continue to celebrate Mass behind closed doors (no congregation). Mass times are as follows: Monday – Friday 10am & 5.45pm. Saturday 10am & (Vigil Mass) 6pm. Sunday 10.30am, 12 noon & 7pm. Please join with us via our webcam www.stjohnscathedrallimerick.com



Fr Frank, Fr Noel and Fr Willie doing their steps for Trócaire!

Trócaire's Lenten Fundraising Event – From Limerick with Love

I would like to extend a huge heartfelt thank you to all of you who have already registered your participation in our Trócaire Lenten Fundraising event – From Limerick with Love. There has been such a wonderful response from so many of you all across the Parish and Diocese, for which I am profoundly grateful.

This week's theme is **Solidarity**; we are all moving together virtually during these times when we cannot physically come together. We share a common goal of making our way to South Sudan in order to show them that we care and that we hold their hand in solidarity.

I am reminded of and inspired by to the story of the Navaho Indian response to help the Irish people who were suffering during the Great Famine, and then last year we responded to help the Navaho people during their hardships during the Covid 19 pandemic.

So, this week maybe you take some photos of yourselves at various local landmarks and landscapes and share on Facebook, Instagram, or Twitter, using the hashtag #fromlimerickwithlove. These photos will eventually make their way to South Sudan, allowing them to learn how the people of Limerick came out and got moving in order to raise awareness and vital funds to support them in the midst of their conflict.

There is still plenty of time to encourage family & friends to register their participation at: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r./fromlimerickwithlove

And donations are gratefully welcomed and can be made throughout Lent at: https://gofund.me/d9deb4d6 you can follow us on Instagram @ from.limerickwithlove My warmest regards, Sharon Collopy, Trócaire Volunteer.



CORONAVIRUS HELPLINE FOR OLDER PEOPLE

0818 222 024

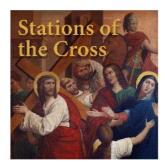
If you have concerns or queries about COVID-19
call ALONE's dedicated support line everyday, 8am - 8pm.
To volunteer your help, visit www.alone.ie

COVID-19 Support Line for Older People

ALONE manage a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to COVID-19 (Coronavirus). Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open seven days a week, 8am - 8pm, by calling 0818 222 024.

Weekly Envelopes / Donations

If you wish to donate via the weekly envelope system, please continue to do so, the envelopes can be given to Kieran on Saturday's by calling to the Sacristy at the back of the church. You can also donate on line through our website www.stjohnscathedrallimerick.com Thank you for your continued support.



Join us each Friday of Lent at 3.00pm on our Webcam.

Split the Pot

The winner of last weekend's draw (Sunday 28th Feb.) was Maria Danaher. "Split the Pot" Envelopes can be dropped off to Kieran at the Sacristy.

Or can be dropped into the black box at the back of the Cathedral.



Sympathies

The Priests of the parish extend their sympathies to the families and friends of the recently deceased.

St John's Girls and Infant Boys School



We were delighted to welcome Junior Infants to Second class back to school on Monday 1st March and what a great week was had by all.

Pennywell Day Care Centre



The day centre is currently closed however, they are providing meals on wheels on the following days Monday, Wednesday and Friday from the centre, and these can be collected or delivered. Contact the centre at 061 414150 to get the menu and place an order.