


MIC DEPARTMENT OF MUSIC 

LUNCHTIME RECITAL SERIES, SPRING 2026, 1.10PM

DAY & DATE	PERFORMERS
Thurs 5 th February	Aisling Kenny (sop.) & Adam McDonagh (piano)
Mon 9 th February	The Quarter Dozen
Tues 17 th February	Limerick Chamber Choir (dir. Máire Keary-Scanlon)
Tues 24 th February	David Bennis (guitar)
Mon 2 nd March	Catherine O'Carroll (sop.) & Irina Dernova (piano)
Thurs 12 th March	Traditional Irish Musicians (MIC Students)
Thurs 19 th March	Indian Musicians
Tues 24 th March	Umpqua (Community College) Singers
Tue 7 th April	Wind Trio
Mon 13 th April	Emma English (mezzo sop.) & Peter Barley (piano)



Join the **Garryowen Community Choir**

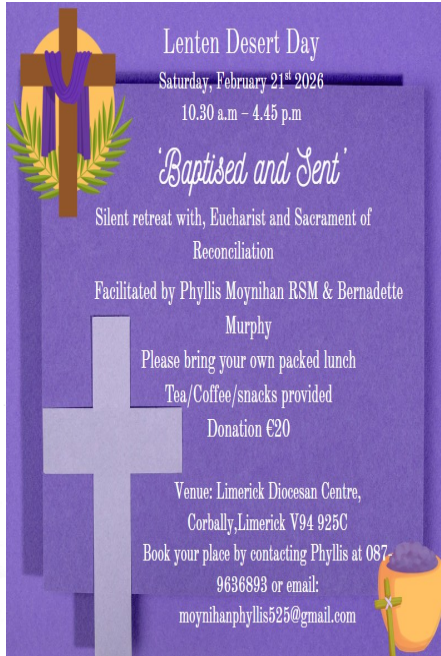
Everyone Welcome!

Sing, Socialize & Have Fun!

No experience needed
Please register by emailing info@garryowenCDP.com or calling 061-310690

Thursdays at 11AM

Come and sing 



Lenten Desert Day
Saturday, February 21st 2026
10.30 a.m - 4.45 p.m.

'Baptised and Sent'

Silent retreat with, Eucharist and Sacrament of Reconciliation

Facilitated by Phyllis Moynihan RSM & Bernadette Murphy

Please bring your own packed lunch
Tea/Coffee/snacks provided
Donation €20

Venue: Limerick Diocesan Centre, Corbally, Limerick V94 925C
Book your place by contacting Phyllis at 087-9636893 or email: moynihanphyllis525@gmail.com



St. John's Girls' and Infant Boys' School
Now accepting applications for 2026/2027 School Year
Closing date for applications for Junior Infants:
Tuesday 17th February 2026

Application Forms available from school office /school website
Principal: Aoibheann Ruane Address: Cathedral Place, Lim (V94T223)
Roll no.: 06936R Tel:061-416752 Email: johnslimerick@gmail.com
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Priests of the Parish

Canon Gerard Garrett
Fr Daniel Tomasik
Fr Peter Claver Emeka Eze
Fr Krzysztof Tyburowski
In residence Canon John Daly

Eucharistic Adoration
Friday's 4pm—5.30pm in the Adoration Chapel.

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

Confessions
Saturday 10.30am
Baptisms
Saturday 4.30pm

Recently Baptised

We welcome into the Christian Community
Eve Emma Le Gear
Pennie Daly Considine
We wish them and their families every blessing.

Recently Deceased
We remember in prayers today all our loved ones who have departed this world.
Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

Cathedral Shop

Mon - Sat, 10:30am - 1pm.
Sympathy cards, 1st holy communion and confirmation cards & other religious goods available to buy.

Split the Pot Draw
Congratulations to **Kevin Darcy** winner of last weekends draw. Draw Envelopes available at the back of the church. All proceeds go toward the

Reflection: Many times in the Gospels we hear Jesus criticizing the Scribes and the Pharisees for their sterile, legalistic approach to keeping God's Law or doing God's will. We know the famous story he told about the Pharisee and the tax-collector who went up to the Temple to pray and the Pharisee listed off to God his many good deeds and he thanked God for making him so wonderful and so much better than the tax-collector. We remember that the tax-collector stayed at the back and simply bowed his head and asked God to be merciful to him. We remember that at the end of that story Jesus said that the tax-collector went home at rights with God whereas the Pharisee did not.

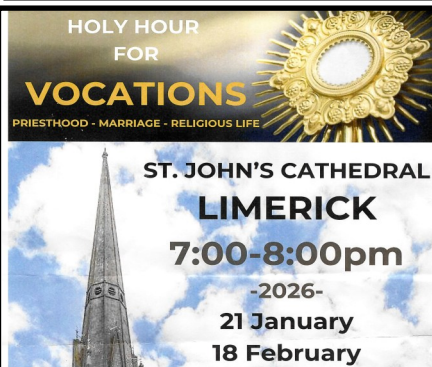
In today's Gospel passage Jesus confirms this principle: "If your virtue goes no deeper than that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never get into the kingdom of heaven."

Jesus is warning against legal formalism, in ordinary English: self-righteous, self-serving box-ticking. Jesus wants our actions to spring from love, a love that is outward looking, that is concerned about the good of others rather than an attitude of self-congratulations and self-satisfaction and self-righteousness because we keep rules.

Jesus demands a higher standard and he gives a few examples. "Of old you were told, you must not kill." He goes on to say that that is not enough at all. We must be a people of reconciliation so that we couldn't even begin to have murderous thoughts and inclinations. Such an attitude could only spring from a habit of caring and being practiced in the art of considering how what we say and do affects others.

Then Jesus employs the huge exaggeration about people tearing out their eyes and lopping off their hands. Here he is simply telling us to be unflinching about ridding ourselves of whatever turns us from him and from living our lives as he wants us to; a less dramatic way of stating the same principle was taught in the catechism when we were encouraged to foster virtue and avoid the occasion of sin.

Anyway, the whole point is that our love of God and of one another will give rise to Christian living more easily and more effectively and with greater fruits than even the most disciplined observance of rules. The point isn't that we keep God's law, so to speak, it's *why* we keep God's law. And we shouldn't keep it simply because we have to but because we are drawn to keep it from our hearts.



HOLY HOUR FOR **VOCATIONS**
PRIESTHOOD - MARRIAGE - RELIGIOUS LIFE

ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL LIMERICK
7:00-8:00pm
-2026-
21 January
18 February

Ash Wednesday— this coming Wednesday 18th Feb. Ashes available after 10am & 5.45pm Masses.

Team Limerick Clean-Up (TLC) will take place on Good Friday, April 3, 2026

Registration: Open now at teamlimerickcleanup.ie