

Sunday 20th February 2022

Parish Newsletter

CHANGE TO SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

**As and from Sunday the 6th of March there will be no mass at 7.00pm.
New Mass Times will be as follows on Sundays:
8am, 10.30am & 12 noon**

Reflection: Jesus asks us *not to* respond with anger, aggression or violence when a wrong is done to or against us. We are called not to let another person's behaviour towards us give us permission to lash out in violence, verbally or in action. Challenging and difficult as this is, we take our cue as our model, the life and actions of Jesus himself. This is the cost of being a Christian.

This may sound naïve, simplistic, unrealistic and even foolish. And while it can be done, it is by no means easy. There are three examples that we can look to and learn from. Mahatma Gandhi responded to unjust laws and oppression with *passive non-resistance*. He stood up and spoke out against the wrongs he saw, but he did not respond with violence. Maximilian Kolbe, who gave his life in the concentration camp for that of another man's, refused to hate those who killed him. And finally Martin Luther King, following Gandhi's example also protested against racism peacefully. By following the example of Jesus, who did not return violence with violence, these three great figures also had their life brutally taken from them. Yet their message and example live on today for us. We may not be asked to give our lives for the gospel, but we are asked to offer each other the hand of peace, reconciliation and forgive



Church Notices:

Mass Schedule: Mon—Fri 10am & 5.45pm, Sat 10am & 6pm vigil, Sunday 8am, 10.30pm, 12 noon & 7pm.
St Anthony's Novena: takes place each Tuesday at 10am & 5.45pm.

Baptisms: take place on Saturdays at 4.30pm and can be booked through Parish Office at 414624 Or email, admin@stjohnscathedrallimerick.com
Please ensure to have copy of baby / child's birth cert when booking.

Confessions: at 10.30am on Saturdays.

The following are the dates for First Holy Communion & Confirmation in the Parish

***St Johns Infants Boys & Girls School & St John The Baptist- First Holy Communion - 21st May @ 11am
St Johns Infant Boys & Girls School—Confirmation—2nd April 11am & 12.30pm
St John The Baptist—Confirmation—2nd April @ 2pm***

Split the Pot : Congratulations to Stephen McMahon winner of last weekends draw (13th Feb) .
Split the Pot Envelopes are available at the back of the church.



Newly Baptised : We welcome into the Christian Community through the Sacrament of Baptism
Noah O'Connor Duggan, Eileen Doyle & Billy O'Connor .



Recently Deceased We extend sympathies to the families and loved ones of the recently deceased and whose funeral took place in the Cathedral
Patrick Phayer R.I.P. , Des Fitzgerald R.I.P. & Bernard Kelly R.I.P..



Donations:

We are always grateful for your donations which go towards the upkeep of The Cathedral.

Listed are the various ways to donate:

1. Baskets at exit door.
2. Weekly Envelope collection.
3. Tap to Donate machines at exit door.
4. Online through our website www.stjohnscathedrallimerick.com tap the donate key.:



You are invited to attend

The St. Patrick's College Maynooth

Annual Trócaire Lecture.

"How women of faith are responding to the ecological crisis"

'The earth herself, burdened and laid waste, is among the most abandoned and maltreated of our poor'. (Laudato Sí 2)

Dr Carmody Grey (Assistant Professor of Catholic Theology at Durham University) and **Lucy Vokihwa** (Chairperson of Catholic Women Association of Malawi) will

co-deliver the keynote address.

The event will be delivered online.

Tuesday 8th March 2022 @ 7pm GMT

Registration for this free online event is required. Please register [here](#).

Trócaire boxes are available for collection at the back of the Church.

COMMUNITY EMPLOYMENT

We currently have vacancies on our Community Employment project for Admin & in the Day Care Centre. Please contact Parish Office at 061 414624.