

Sunday 19th December 2021

Parish Newsletter

Advent Prayer Service: Our final Advent prayer service will take place Monday 20th after the 5.45pm Mass.

Reflection: "If we really believe that this pregnancy, Mary's and ours, is good news, can we keep it secret any less than Mary? Shall we let anyone who will listen know that the child who has taken flesh in us is god's own? That the child born to give life to all our brothers and sisters, is peace for our troubled world? This morning we gather at this table for a life-saving 'transplant.' Here, Jesus gives us his word and gives us his body and blood as real food. Here, we, in turn, become his body to go forth from our celebration and give life to the world that hungers for him - even when they do not realize it. When and if the opportunity presents itself - as when we hear the politically correct "happy holiday" instead of "Merry Christmas" - will we acknowledge Jesus as the reason for the season? Let's not miss the opportunity.



Weekly Envelope Boxes

The new boxes of Weekly Envelopes for 2022 are available for collection from the Sacristy. If you would like to contribute through the weekly envelope system please call to Kieran at the Sacristy or ring Parish Office 061 414624.

Our new Defibrillator has been installed in the Cathedral.

There is a number of people fully trained in the use of it.

We would like to thank our benefactor's as it is through their kind generosity we were able to buy this. *Fr Noel*



Split the Pot

Congratulations to **Christopher Kenihan** the winner of last weekend's draw (12th Dec). Draw envelopes are available at the back of the church.

Come and See Inspirations

Come and See Inspirations is a locally produced podcast including Interviews, chat on faith topics, inspirational music, reading and reflecting on the Sunday Gospel. Each week a new Podcast is available online at

www.comeandseeinspirations.buzzsprout.com -

Just Google *Come and See Inspirations* and you will find us there. We are also on Spotify, iTunes, Facebook (*Come and see Inspirations*) and the Podcast page on the Limerick Diocesan website - Text us at 087 6088667 or email

comeandseeinspirations@gmail.com.

So you are invited visit us and browse through the many years of recordings covering a range of guests and topics. At Christmas we will post many inspiring reflections recorded by local guests.





Christmas Mass Times & Confessions

Monday 20th - Thursday 23rd December

Mass as Normal

Confessions after all Masses

Friday 24th December (Christmas Eve)

Mass 10am, 4pm, 6pm & 8pm

Saturday 25th December (Christmas Day)

Mass 8am, 10.30am & 12noon

No Evening Mass

Sunday 26th December (St Stephen's Day)

Mass 8am, 10.30am, 12 noon & 7pm

Monday 27th - Friday 31st December

Mass 10am

No Evening Mass

Saturday 1st January

Mass times resume as normal

Please note in line with government advice (COVID-19) numbers are restricted.

There will be no Children's Mass this year.

All Masses on 24th & 25th are Christmas Masses.

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