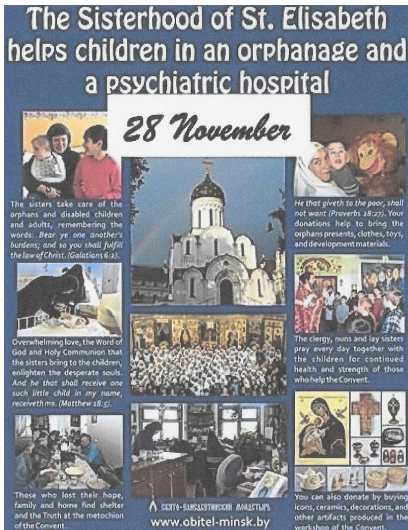


Sunday 24th November 2019

Parish Newsletter



Mill Hill Missionary

Mill Hill Missionaries will be here at all Masses this weekend 23rd and 24th November.

Sisterhood of St Elisabeth Convent.

The Sisterhood of St Elisabeth Convent from Minsk in Belarus will visit St John's Cathedral for 10am and 5.45pm masses on Thursday 28th November. The convent currently counts just under a hundred nuns and around 300 Sisters of Mercy. Since its establishment the convent has been patronising 200 orphanage children with psychophysical deficiencies for more than 14 years.

Prayers in Mount St Lawrence Cemetery

Prayers for the Dead will take place in Mount St Lawrence Cemetery on Sunday 24th November at 3pm and will be led by the priests of St Munchin's Parish.

Advent Prayers

Advent begins next weekend. Each Friday in Advent at 5.15pm there will be a short Advent prayer service, in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament. All are welcome.

The First Annual Collection for the Care of Sick and Retired Priests.

The first Annual Collection for the care of sick and retired priests will take place at all masses across the Diocese next weekend. The retirement age for Parish Priests of this diocese is 75 years. Thankfully, many priests continue to offer support in ministry beyond this, resulting in many of them giving well over 50 years service to us. The age profile of priests means that a commercial pension plan is not possible, so the Diocese had to provide for retired priests. Funds to do this are raised in three ways: Money has been invested so the interest could be used. Unfortunately, the return on this investment has declined seriously over the past few years and looks likely to remain low for the foreseeable future. : Parishes contribute from parish collections. : Priests in active ministry under 75 give an annual contribution from their stipend.

Programme of Formation for Lay Pastoral Ministry and Leadership

You are invited to attend an information evening on the new '**Programme of Formation for Lay Pastoral Ministry and Leadership**' which will be offered in the Diocese of Limerick next year. The information evenings are as follows:
7:30pm, Tuesday 26th November in Limerick Diocesan Centre, St Munchin's.
7:30pm, Wednesday 27th November in the Longcourt Hotel, Newcastlewest.
7:30pm, Thursday 28th November in the Deebert Hotel, Kilmallock.
www.limerickdiocese.org

Church Gate Collection

Limerick Shannon Rotary Club Church Gate Collection this weekend. Beneficiary is Limerick Branch of Alzheimer's Society

Advent Desert Day

You are invited to a quiet peaceful few hours away from your busy schedule to prepare for the season of Advent and Christmas. The day will consist of quiet prayer, reflection and will conclude with the Eucharist. Westbourne Convent, Ashbourne Avenue, Limerick. Time 10.30am to 5.15pm. Booking is essential as places are limited. For information contact Sr. Phyllis Moynihan at 0879636893 or Email: phymoy@yahoo.co.uk



The winner of the last draw is

Drew McMahon

The Giving Tree– Be a Secret Santa with the Society of St Vincent de Paul.

The Society of St Vincent de Paul provides help to thousands of families at Christmas, which include gift vouchers, toys for small children, gifts for young people as well as gifts for older adults. Choose a tag from the tree and bring back an unwrapped gift to the Cathedral, these gifts will be delivered to SVP and then they will be distributed by a network of local SVP volunteers. This will be our second year here at St Johns Cathedral supporting SVP with many of you giving generously to such a worthy cause. This years Giving Tree will be in place from Monday 1st December until Sunday 15th December. Contact Kieran in St Johns Cathedral for more information.



Craft Fair in Aid of Children's Grief Centre

There will be a Craft Fair at Don Bosco Hall at the back of Milford Church Castletroy on Saturday November 23rd from 7pm to 9pm, and Sunday November 24th from 9am to 3pm. (Get your Christmas Gifts here!). Admission Free.

Irish Blood Transfusion Service

Our Mobile Unit will be holding a Blood Donor Clinic in St John's Pavilion Mulgrave Street, on Wednesday November 27th from 5pm to 8pm.

November Holy Souls

Holy souls envelopes can be returned during the month of November.

Baptisms in the Cathedral

We extend our congratulations to the family and friends of Baby Josh on his recent baptism in the Cathedral.

Novena to St. Anthony

Every Tuesday at the 10am and 5.45pm Mass.

Diocesan Needs Collection

Next month's collection will take place the weekend of 7th and 8th December.

Mary Immaculate College (Irish Institute For Catholic Studies)

There will be a public lecture by Prof. Marie Parker Jenkins "In Good Faith: Schools, Religion and Education in Mary Immaculate College on Wednesday November 27th at 5pm Room JHN221. Also, forthcoming Public Lecture by Dr. Nora Donnelly " Focus on the Next of Kin: The Holy Family in Renaissance Art" on Tuesday December 3rd at 1pm in Mary Immaculate College Room JHN221. All Welcome.

Sympathies

We extend our sympathy to the family and friends of Mary Clarke Rip. Henry O'Connor Rip.

Mass Intentions

Saturday 23rd	10am Walter Stanley. 6pm Anthony O'Neill, Maureen Frawley, Ann & Gerry Kelly, Myra & Terry Fleming, Breda Horgan, Margaret Keane - Month's Mind.
Sunday 24th	8am Danny Sherlock. 10.30am Bernadette Mullane, Michael McNamara, Kathleen Lee, Mary Lloyd, Munchin McKernan. 12 noon Teresa & Willie O'Donnell, Jack Delaney, Nan Reeves, Teresa Ryan, Bernadette Power (1st Av). 7pm Ann Wyse, Bridget & Ned Morrissey, Josephine McMahon, Bridget Mullins.
Monday 25th	10am Holy Souls. 5.45pm John Hayes.
Tuesday 26th	10am Ann McGrath, Teresa Hickey. 5.45pm Mary Neiland.
Wednesday 27th	10am Special Intention. 5.45pm Christy & Mary Purcell - Birth Rem.
Thursday 28th	10am Patrick Collopy– Birth Rem, Gerard O'Grady. 5.45pm Peter Judge, Sr. Mary Drucella.
Friday 29th	5.45pm Peter & Rosaleen Hayes, Constance Mahon.
Saturday 30th	6pm Noel Keehan, Rose Manley, Claire & Vincent Madden, Ita & Patrick Fitzgerald, Gerry Lawlor, Geraldine Fleming, Rachel Hackett, Donal Frawley– Month's Mind.
Sunday 1st	8am Josephine Griffin. 10.30am Peggy & Michael O'Brien, Pat Quane, Christy Lillis, John Quinlivan (Senior). 12 George Carroll, John Morris, Gloria Barry, Jim Culhane, Angela & Tony Markham, Pat & Rita Reidy. 7pm Eileen Conway, Teresa & Sean Ryan.