

Sunday 8th March 2020

Parish Newsletter

Lenten Message

Being on the mountain was a wonderful experience. "It is good for us to be here," said Peter. But Jesus came down from the mountain to be with the people in their pains and sorrows, in their fears and anxieties, in their sicknesses and disabilities, in their sinfulness...Jesus' other name in Matthew's Gospel is Emmanuel, God with us. Jesus' place is to be with his people. And his followers have to do the same. It is nice to spend quiet days at a lovely retreat house deep in the countryside. It is nice to have a really good Mass with good homily, lovely choir, candles and incense. But most of the time our Christian life is to be spent sharing in the joys and sorrows of our brothers and sisters. We are to be the salt of the earth, the leaven in the dough, the candle on the lamp stand, helping people to know, understand and experience the love of their God for them.



Congratulations to our Senior Choir.

The choir won two first prizes and one second prize at Limerick Choral Festival, first prize in the Church Choir Competition (Parts), first prize in the Church Choir Competition (Unison) and second prize in the Gregorian Chant competition.

Limerick Historical Society

Limerick Historical Society will hold its next lecture on Monday March 9th next at 8 p.m. The lecture will be given by Noel Murphy, on the history of the linen industry in Limerick.

IICS Spring Series of Public Lectures in Mary I

There will be a series of lectures in Mary I John Henry Newman Building Room 221. On Wednesdays 1pm-2pm, Light Lunch provided. Speaker. The following lecture will be given over the coming weeks: March 25th at 1pm JHN 221, speaker will be Dr. Tayo Adenusi and the topic will be 'Christianity, Education and the Colonial Experience in West Africa.

Scripture Sharing

Wednesday evenings at 7pm in the Presbytery. This is an open invitation, Come and see. The Gospel for the coming Sunday is read as we actively listen for words or phrases that resonate with us. After a time of reflection, we listen to what each has to share. We then deepen our listening with a teaching on the passage to deepen our reflection and open up further sharing followed by prayer.

Irish Blood Transfusion Service

Our mobile unit will be holding a Blood Donor Clinic in St John's Pavilion, on Wednesday 11th March from 5pm -8pm.

Diocesan Needs Collection

Monthly Diocesan Needs Collection takes place at all masses this weekend.

Family Trocaire Boxes

Family Trocaire Boxes are available in the Cathedral. Please take one and return it after Easter. We thank you for your support over the years.

Eucharist Ministers Meeting

There will be a Eucharist Ministers Meeting in the Parish Centre on Friday March 13th at 7pm.



The winner of the last draw is

Marie Cantillon.



Baptisms in the Cathedral

We extend our congratulations to the family and friends of baby Lucas de Lima Byrnes on his recent baptism.

Novena to St Anthony

Every Tuesday at the 10am and 5.45pm Mass.



Day of Immersion, Retreat and Recollection

Experience the Word Come to Life – a Retreat Day with The Saint John's Bible. This is essentially a day of recollection and prayer, with the focus on an in-depth experience of the volumes of The Saint John's Bible. The day will be confined to a group of 30 people and the date is March 11th and the time is 10am to 6.00p.m. The venue is Glenstal Abbey, Murroe, Co Limerick., and the cost is €50 including lunch.



Dates for Saint John's Bible Heritage Program in Mary Immaculate College.

10 March 2020 in G08 Foundation Building, MIC Limerick, 1.00 pm to 2.00 pm and repeated from 4.00 pm to 5.00 pm
12 March 2020 in Mary Immaculate College, MIC Thurles, 1.00 pm to 2.00 pm and repeated from 4.00 pm to 5.00 pm.

Sympathies

We extend our sympathy to the family and friends of Cyril Kelly Rip.,

Mass Intentions

Saturday 7th

6pm Eamon O'Sullivan, Chrissie Costelloe, Maggie Clancy, Dick Calvert, Thomas & Eileen Delaney, Mary Phayer, Tom Hayes, Noely Kelly - Birth Rem.

Sunday 8th

10.30am Christopher & Mary Joyce, Joe Crotty, Joe Storan, James O' Riordan, Maureen & Christy O'Riordan.
12 noon Joe Hehir (Av), Nancy Hehir - Birth Rem, Christopher Tucker, Derry, Teresa, & Jimmy Laffan, Rosie Sheehy, Dick Rockett.
7pm Michael & Kathleen O'Brien, Sean & Son Garry Broderick, Sue Gray - Month's Mind.

Monday 9th

5.45pm Gerard O'Brien, James Moloney, Bridget Williams.

Tuesday 10th

10am Mary Quigley, Darragh Daly - Birth Rem. 5.45pm Margaret Walsh.

Wednesday 11th

5.45pm Patrick McCarthy, Jim Bridgeman (Av).
5.45pm Jack & Annie Sheehan & Family

Thursday 12th

10am Frances Fleming McNamara (Av).
5.45pm Michael McCarthy & Family, Mark Tierney.

Friday 13th

5.45pm Gerard Storan.

Saturday 14th

10am John-Paul Cahill. 6pm Mary Keane (1st Av), Rita Madden, Pat O'Regan, John & Hannah O'Sullivan, Pauline Tobin, Niall Cosgrave, Christy Kelly - Month's Mind.

Sunday 15th

10.30am Vera Sheehan, Jack & Ellen Scanlan, Hazel Parrott, Brendan Quane (1st Av) & Wife Peg, Patrick Kennedy - Birth Rem.
12 noon Rose Sheehy, Peg Berry, Frank Tracey, James & Alice Campbell, Patrick & Ida Mortell, Paddy Molloy - Birth Rem.
7pm Peter Kennedy, Nellie & Tom Quinn.