

*Sunday 11th March 2022*

*Parish Newsletter*

**Reflection:** Maybe this brief glimpse of Jesus in all his glory is also meant for us today. Perhaps like the disciples, we too experience fear, doubt and even a lack of faith. Perhaps we too need to be encouraged and strengthened by Jesus, especially as we continue our journey through Lent. We too need know that our prayer, fasting and sharing with the poor is not an end in itself or that it is all done in vain. We are heading towards the resurrection and the new life of Easter, but we have a distance to go yet. But the experience of Jesus transformed offers each of us taste of what lies ahead of us. If we share in the suffering and passion of Jesus, we will also share in his resurrection. As St Paul tells us in his letter to the Romans, *if we have become one with him in his dying as he did, in the same we shall be one with him by being raised to life as he was.* (Rmns. 6.5)



### *Church / Community Notices*

**Church Shop :** The Cathedral Shop is open Mon to Sat from 10.30am to 12.30pm . The shop offers a large range of cards for all occasion's, mass cards, candles and religious goods.

**Pennywell Day Car Centre:** Open every Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday from 10am to 2.30pm. Transport available on request. If interested please contact Geraldine at 061 414150.

**Split the Pot:** Congratulations to **Mary Sheehan** winner of last weekends draw (6thMar).  
Split the Pot envelopes are available at the back of the church.



**Weddings:** Our Wedding Diary is open for bookings for 2023 & 2024.  
Parish Office can be contacted at 061 414624.



**Mass times:** Mon—Fri 10am & 5.45pm. Sat 10am & 6pm (Vigil). Sun 8am, 10.30pm & 12 noon.  
Mass for St Patrick's day is at 10am.

**Please note there is no evening Mass on Thursday 17th & Friday 18th March.**

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** Confessions each Saturday at 10.30pm.

**Baptisms:** Take place on Saturday's at 3.30pm & 4.30pm. Can be booked through Parish Office or website.

We welcome to the Christian Community **Kyle McEvoy, Holly, Zoe & Cillian Mulqueen** who were baptised recently here at St Johns Cathedral.

**Stations of the Cross:** As Friday 18th March is a bank holiday, Stations of the Cross will take place at the earlier time of 10.30am. They will resume to the normal time of 5.15pm from 25th March for the duration of lent.



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Pope Francis "In Ukraine, rivers of blood and tears are flowing. This is not just a military operation but a war which sows death, destruction and misery," "War is madness, please stop."  
Let us join with Pope Francis in prayer for an end to this awful war and pray for peace.



## Happy St Patrick's Day Thursday 17th March 2022

We venerate Patrick on this his feast day because he spent himself in proclaiming the gospel on this island, bringing Christ to huge numbers of people. In amazement at what God had done through him, he asks, 'How then does it happen in Ireland that a people who in their ignorance of God always worshipped only idols and unclean things up to now, have lately become a people of the Lord and are called children of God?' He was amazed at how much God had done through him, all the more so because he was very aware of his failings and weaknesses. At the beginning of his Confessions he says, 'I am imperfect in many ways'. Patrick knew that he was a mixture of wheat and weed, like the field in the parable of today's gospel reading. In that parable the owner of the field does not despise the field because dandelion was to be found among the wheat. He was happy to allow both to grow together knowing that they would be separated at harvest time. When the Lord looks upon us, he looks beyond our failings to the good that is within us. Patrick did not allow his awareness of his imperfections to hold him back from doing what he knew God was calling

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Comhaltas Ceoltóirí  
**GARRAÍ EOIN**  
2ND EDITION

**WEDNESDAY 16<sup>th</sup> March**  
**Oíche Gaeilge**  
MUSIC: Garrail Eoin Comhaltas  
TIME: 8pm - late!  
VENUE: The Horse & Hound  
TICKETS: €5 at the door

**THURSDAY 17<sup>th</sup> March**  
**St. Patrick's Day Mass**  
MUSIC: Garrail Eoin Comhaltas  
TIME: 11.00am  
VENUE: The Augustinians

**FRIDAY 18<sup>th</sup> March**  
PROUDLY PRESENTING  
**Trad under the Tower**  
Featuring Paula O'Regan & Alisha McMahon  
Followed by Gradam Ceol Winner Josephine Marsh  
with fellow artists Mick Kinsella & Tommy Carew  
TIME: 8 - 10pm  
VENUE: St John's Old Church  
St. Johns Square  
TICKETS: Only €10\*  
t: 089 6112468  
\*PRE-BOOKING ESSENTIAL

**SATURDAY 19<sup>th</sup> March**  
**Oíche na bPaisti**  
VENUE: St John's Brass & Reed Bandroom  
TIME: 7 to 9pm All are Welcome!

### Limerick St Patrick's Day Parade THURSDAY 17TH MARCH @ 12PM



Limerick St Patrick's Festival celebrations will burst into life as the much anticipated St Patrick's Day parade makes a welcome return to the streets at 12pm on Thursday 17th March 2022!

#### Sympathy:

The Parish community extend their sympathies to the families and loved ones of the recently deceased and whose funeral took place in the Cathedral -  
Baby Olivia Nyokabi R.I.P., Gretta Dean R.I.P., Anthony Hayes R.I.P., Patrick Hannon R.I.P. and Fiona Murrihy R.I.P..

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