

**Sunday 27th September 2020**

**Parish Newsletter**

This Gospel story shows us the nobility of a humble change of mind. The first son "thought the better of it." He was open to change, to better thoughts. The second son was set and closed. The ability to change one's mind is essential to all healthy relationships. A mind that is closed, whether from pride, stubbornness or stupidity, tends to destroy all relationships—e.g., when we refuse to admit a mistake, when we are unwilling to apologise and change our ways, when we persist in prejudice against a person or group, when we think we know it all.



### **Mass Schedule**

**Church opens Monday – Saturday at 9.30am**

**Monday to Friday 10am and 5.45pm.**

**Saturday 10am and 6pm (Vigil)**

**Sunday 8am, 10.30am, 12noon and 7pm.**

Cathedral will close Mon to Sat at 4pm for cleaning, re-open at 5.30pm.

**Confessions** - after 10am Mass on Saturday. Due to Covid-19 restrictions there will be no basket collection during any mass, instead the basket will be at the door as you leave.

You may place your contribution and weekly envelopes in it. Thank you for your continued generosity.

### **Season of Creation**



The Season of Creation is a time to renew our relationship with our Creator and all creation through repenting, repairing, and rejoicing together. During the Season of Creation, we join our sisters and brothers in the ecumenical family in prayer and action for our common home. This year, amid the crises that have shaken our world, we're awakened to the urgent need to heal our relationships with creation and each other.

During the season this year, we enter a time of restoration and hope, a jubilee for our Earth, that requires radically new ways of living with

creation. The Season of Creation unites the world's 2.2 billion Christians around one shared purpose. With so much injustice all around us, now is the time for Christians everywhere to come together and show the world how to love each other and creation.

### **Trócaire**

The theme for our Season of Creation this year is Cultivating Hope. We celebrate this season, in the awareness that we are in the midst of an international health crisis. The environmental crisis and this health crisis are interconnected. Both are global emergencies that are affecting many people. Pope Francis's ground-breaking encyclical *Laudato Sí* reminds us of our duty to care for Our Common Home and for the people and nature around us. We have all come from some kind of home and are held within the relationships of that experience. So too, we are also held within a relationship with the natural world and all of God's creation. Our connection with each other and with our common home is more important than ever. What we do locally can have global effects, the more we keep our locality clean, the cleaner our world will be. To find out more about Trócaire's work, go to [www.trócaire.org](http://www.trócaire.org)

## ***Split the Pot***



Congratulations to Christy Kenihan, winner of last weekend's draw ( Sunday Sept 20th). Draw envelopes can be dropped into Kieran on Saturday at the Sacristy.

## ***St Anthony***

St Anthony's Novena - Novena prayers takes place each Tuesday after the 10am and 5.45pm Mass with a special blessing of the relic.



***Sympathies*** We extend our sympathies to the families and friends of the recently deceased in the Parish.

## ***Meals on Wheels***



Pennywell Day Centre is offering a home cooked meal for €3, seven days a week. Meals can be collected or if needed will be delivered within the local area. Orders can be placed with Geraldine on 061 414150 any morning before 10am.

## ***Lighting of Candles***

Due to restrictions in lighting of candles—candles will be placed in the shrine—leave offering as usual and then take timber taper to light your candle—when finished leave taper in used sand box near the shrine.



## ***Mass Online***

Masses can be viewed online through our webcam on [www.limerickcathedral.com](http://www.limerickcathedral.com) and click on livestream.



Church Leaders are recommending the use of face coverings at all Masses, along with the ongoing maintenance of 2 metre physical distancing.

## ***Online Donations***

You may make a donation through our website [www.limerickcathedral.com](http://www.limerickcathedral.com)



## ***Baptisms in the Cathedral***

Baptisms will take place on weekdays, Monday to Friday after the 5.45pm Mass at 6.15pm and on Saturday at 4.30pm. One Baptism will take place each day with a maximum of 20 people allowed to attend. Should you wish to book your Baby's Baptism please contact the parish office on 061 414624 between 9.30am and 4pm Monday to Friday.

## ***Anniversary Masses***

Anniversary Masses can be arranged by calling Kieran (Parish Sacristan) on 061 414624. These can be attended by the family on the day.