Parish Newsletter Sunday 10th December 2023

Reflection: In today's gospel Mark seems to be saying to us, if you really want to meet Jesus and understand his message then you must first meet another great man, John the Baptist. Today's Gospel (and also next week's Gospel) is dedicated to John the Baptist, and therefore offers us an opportunity to accept Mark's invitation to meet and try to understand him.,

2nd Week of Advent—As we prepare the way for the Lord let our pray be for a cessation of hostilities, the laying down of arms, the brokering of a permanent peace and healing and reconciliation across the world. *Lord hear our prayer*.

Notices

Advent Stations (short reflection on second week of Advent) will continue this Wednesday evening directly after the 5.45pm mass.

Twelve Cribs of Christmas:

This booklet is available of the back of the Cathedral and is for families who may wish to use the days of Christmas to view some of the cribs of Limerick. Each stop has a focal point and a specific prayer.







Our annual carol service takes place *Tuesday Dec 12th 2023 @6.00. p.m.* in *St Joseph's Church, O'Connell Avenue,* Limerick. *All welcome.*

Tea, Coffee and finger food will be available afterwards. Folks should aim to be seated by 5.50p.m. if possible. Do come and join us.

Happy Christmas/ Nollaig Shona Daoibh.



Priests of the Parish

Canon Gerard Garrett Fr Frank O'Connor Fr Leo McDonnell Canon John Daly

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Mass Times

Mon—Fri 10am, 5.45pm Sat 10am & 6pm Vigil Sun 8am, 10.30am, 12 noon

St Anthony's Novena Tues 10am & 5.45pm.

Holy Days

Vigil Weekdays 5.45pm Weekdays 10am, 5.45pm

Confessions

Saturday 10.30am

Baptisms

Saturday 4.30pm

Eucharistic Adoration
Takes place each Friday
4.30pm to 5.30pm.

Cathedral Shop

Open Mon - Sat 10.30am to 1pm. Wide selection of Christmas cards and gift ideas available.



Split the Pot

Congratulations to **Éoghan O'Sullivan**Winner of last weekends draw 3/12

Veritas Encourages Shopping for Meaningful Gifts this Christmas

At Veritas you will find beautifully illustrated children's books that will entertain but also fill our hearts, nativity sets, Advent candles, memorial gifts, thoughtful cards, beautiful Christmas decorations, and much more.

Visit Veritas stores in Dublin Abbey Street, Blanchardstown, Tallaght, Cork, **Limerick**, Letterkenny, Derry, and Newry—or shop online at veritas.ie



Celtic Brothers to give Christmas Concert in Abbeyfeale.

The very popular group *Celtic Brothers*, formally known as the *Willoughby Brothers* will give a Christmas Concert in

Our Lady of the Assumption Church, Abbeyfeale on Friday the 15th of December at 8.00pm.

Tickets for the concert are on sale in Abbeyfeale or by calling 089 – 2646772.



Recently Baptised:

We welcome to the Christian Community

Alexander Laffan

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We wish him and his family every blessing and happiness.



Recently Deceased:

We offer our sympathies to the families and loved ones of

Jean Kerley RIP

Maris Jurka RIP

May their gentle soul rest in eternal peace.