

Reflection: Lent offers the opportunity for us to enter into the mystery of pain, suffering and loss that is Good Friday. In the quiet moments of Lent, we can, walking with Jesus and talking to him in prayer, ponder the mystery of Good Friday, not defeated by it, not escaping from it, but moving through it to what came next for Jesus....and for us.

Lent is, perhaps, an opportunity to pause and take stock. A chance to change glasses and look at things through the lens of the Resurrection.

**JOB
OPENING**

St. John the Baptist BNS, Downey St, Pennywell, Limerick

is looking for a cleaner to work from 2.30pm to 3.30pm Monday to Friday during term time. Previous cleaning experience is desirable. Appointment is subject to satisfactory references. Please send a cover letter and CV by email to office@sjtbb.ie or by post to the above address, marked "job application". Closing date: 1pm, 1st March 2024,



School Retirement.
St John's Girls' and Infant Boys' School

Mrs Smith, a valued member of our school community, will be retiring on Monday 19 February. She is our present Home School Community Coordinator, a post that is shared with St John the Baptist Boys School.

Mrs Smith taught for many years as a class teacher, as a special education teacher and as teacher in the Language Class during her teaching career in St John's Girls and Infant Boys School.

She has been a wonderful teacher and colleague through the years. Always gentle in her interactions with pupils, staff and parents, Mrs Smith brought a wealth of experience, positivity and kindness to all she met during her years in our school. She is going to be missed by us all! We wish her a wonderful retirement.

There will be a Mass of Thanksgiving on the occasion of Mrs Smith's Retirement in the Cathedral on Monday 19th February at 1:30pm. *All are welcome.*



Our February lecture will be held on Tuesday Feb 20th at 8 pm in Christ Church Methodist Hall, V94 W275

51A O'Connell Street (near the White House Pub)

The lecture will be on the story of some stained glass windows in Limerick, which will be given by Donncha MacGabhann

Cathedral Shop

Open Mon—Fri
10.30am to 12.30pm

The shop stocks a selection of First Holy Communion & Confirmation Cards, Sympathy Cards, Candles & other items.

Priests of the Parish

Canon Gerard Garrett
Fr Frank O'Connor
Fr Leo McDonnell
Canon John Daly
Fr Peter Claver Emeka Eze

Parish Office

061 414624

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.**

Split the Pot

Congratulations
Yvonne Sheehan
Winner of last weekends
draw 11th Feb.



Escorted Tour to Westport, Knock & Co Mayo,

10th March 2024. €799.00 pps. Price includes 5 nights' in 4* Castlecourt Hotel, Westport with Dinner, Bed & Breakfast. Lunch/Snack on 2 days. Afternoon Tea at Ashford Castle.

All entertainment, excursions and transport included. Visit Knock, Galway City, Kylemore Abbey, Croagh Patrick and Cong. Single supplement on enquiry. Contact Patricia on 094 9006426 or 087 1890 236 or email knockpilgrimages@gmail.com.

trócaire

This year Trócaire's lenten campaign focuses on the country of Malawi, Africa. Malawi is one of the least developed countries in the world and has been badly affected by climate change. In the Machinga district, Malita and her family must make a one-hour trip up to five times a day to collect water. Please support Trócaire in helping communities develop sustainable access to clean, safe and reliable water supplies by taking home a Trócaire box today or going to: www.trocaire.org.

Grow Mental Health- Friendly Community based groups for anyone experiencing mental health issue through 12 Step Program of connection, hope, identity by empowering people to nurture their positive wellbeing by supporting personal growth through education, peer support and self-teaching. Based in 33 Henry Street and Croom, several meetings including new meeting on Monday 11-1pm.



Contact Celia 0861526966/Www.grow.ie

Recently Baptised:

We welcome to the Christian Community

Lily Mullane

Ebubedike Umebeh.



*We wish them and their families every
blessing and happiness.*

Recently Deceased:

We offer our sympathies to the families
and loved ones of

*Michael Ryan RIP
Bob Ryan RIP
Moira McMahon*



*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,
Amen*