

# Sunday 12th April 2020

# **Parish Newsletter**

#### Mass times for Monday 13th April to Sunday April 19th April

Due to the current Coronavirus (Covid19) outbreak the Cathedral will remain closed for the foreseeable future.

We have made this decision in the best interest of our parishioners and visitors. We will continue to celebrate Mass behind closed doors (no congregation). Monday - Friday 5.45pm, Saturday (Vigil Mass) 6pm. Sunday 10.30am and 12 noon.

These can be via our webcam. www.limerickcathedral.com

### Norms during the Coronavirus

All pastoral gatherings and meetings, on church property are cancelled until further notice.

#### County Clare Covid19 Community Response Helpline

The helpline can put you in touch with local volunteers who can assist with delivering basic needs such as shopping, medicine, fuel, farming support etc. to those who need it. **Tel: 1890 252943 Email: covidsupport@clarecoco.ie** 

#### Split the Pot

Split the pot draw will continue. You can leave your envelope with Kieran on Saturdays at the door at the back of the church. The winner of last weekends draw was Gerry Kirwan. Thank you for your continued support.

#### Weekly Envelopes

If you wish to donate via the weekly envelope system please continue to do so or if you wish to make a donation these can be given to Kieran on Saturday's by calling to the back of the church. Your continued support is greatly appreciated.

#### All Baptisms, Confirmations and Weddings are postponed until further notice.

#### **Sympathies**

We extend our deepest sympathies to the families and friends of the recently deceased here at St John's Parish.

## **Funerals**

Every Catholic is entitled to a dignified Christian burial. Attendance at Funeral services and Masses should be limited to immediate family members within the Church building.

In the current emergency situation, all are dispensed from the obligation to physically attend Sunday Mass. Parishes should inform parishioners of the local possibilities to participate in Mass via local radio and on line.

This is an occasion for all of us – especially in families - to pray more intensely for each other and especially for those who have succumbed to the illness. We should pray also for those in the frontlines – especially doctors, nurses, medical staff and other carers, including clergy – that the Lord will protect them as they place their own wellbeing at

risk in the service of all.

#### **COVID-19 Support Line for Older People**

ALONE has launched a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to the outbreak of COVID-19 (Coronavirus). Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open seven days a week, from 8am-8pm, by calling 0818 222 024

#### Pennywell Day Care Centre

The day centre is currently closed however, they are providing meals on wheels on the following days Monday, Wednesday and Friday from the centre, these can be collected or delivered. Main course €2.50. Contact the centre on 061 414150 to get the menu and place an order.

#### Radio Maria

Daily Mass will be aired at 10am each day including Sunday. Saorview, Channel 210

The Priests of St John's Parish would like to wish all parishioners and visitors a Happy Easter.

The winner of the last draw
(Sunday 5th April)

Gerry Kirwan