

# NEWSLETTER FOR PASTORAL UNIT 1



## St Nicholas Parish

Mass Times  
Saturday Vigil 6.30pm Sunday 10.00am  
**Parish Live Streaming of Masses**  
from St Nicholas Church; log onto  
<https://www.churchservices.tv/limerickstnicholas>  
or via the parish website; [www.saintnicholasparish.ie](http://www.saintnicholasparish.ie)



## St Mary's Parish

Mass Times  
Saturday Vigil 5.00pm Sunday 11.30am  
Monday to Friday Morning Mass 10.00am  
**Parish Live Streaming of Masses**  
from St Mary's Church; log onto  
<https://www.churchservices.tv/limerickstmaryscatholicchurch>

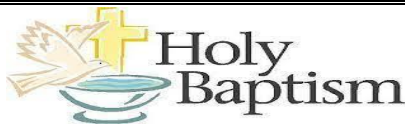
*Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> & Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> August 2024*

### Clergy Contacts

Fr Richie Davern 0872977500

Fr Gerard O'Leary 0879378685

Salesian Sisters 061-348510



Baptisms are held in **St Nicholas Church** on the 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday in the month.

Baptisms are held in **St Mary's Church** on the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month at 4pm

Contact the Parish Office for more information and a Baptism Enrolment form.

### St Nicholas Parish Office

Open Monday & Thursday 9.30am - 1.30pm  
Email: [saintnicholasparishoffice@gmail.com](mailto:saintnicholasparishoffice@gmail.com)  
Phone: 061-341300

### St Mary's Parish Office

Open Wednesday & Friday 10.30am - 1.00pm  
Email: [stmarysparishlk@outlook.com](mailto:stmarysparishlk@outlook.com)  
Phone: 061-416300

You can contact the office if you wish to book a mass, order a cert or leave in your offerings to support your church. With Sympathy Mass cards & Mass Bouquet cards are available from the Parish Office

### PARISH FACEBOOK:

[www.facebook.com/Saintnicholasparish/](https://www.facebook.com/Saintnicholasparish/)  
[www.facebook.com/p/St-Marys-Catholic-Parish-Limerick](https://www.facebook.com/p/St-Marys-Catholic-Parish-Limerick)

We encourage local groups in the area to avail of the Weekly Newsletter to promote upcoming events

Please send details for both parishes to [saintnicholasparishoffice@gmail.com](mailto:saintnicholasparishoffice@gmail.com) with NEWSLETTER in the heading

**Our Newsletter is printed every Thursday at 12noon. Items received after this time unfortunately cannot be included**

Information and Support for Birth Mothers whose babies were placed for adoption may be found at [www.birthinginfo.ie](http://www.birthinginfo.ie) or by calling TUSLA at +353818445500



### Mass Intentions St Nicholas Church

#### Saturday 6.30pm

Martin Kearney (Anniv)

John Fitzpatrick (1<sup>st</sup> Anniv)

Bobby Browne (2<sup>nd</sup> Anniv)

#### Sunday 10.00am

Pro Populo



*We offer our condolences to the family of*  
*Avril Hogan R.I.P.*  
*Christopher Pickford R.I.P.*  
*Paschal O'Reilly R.I.P.*  
*Breda McNamara R.I.P.*  
*George Callan R.I.P.*  
*Antoinette Moore R.I.P.*  
*May they rest in eternal peace, Amen*

### Mass Intentions St Mary's Church

#### Saturday 5.00pm

Martin Bourke (M.M)

Martin Wallace (26<sup>th</sup> Anniv)

John Barry (10<sup>th</sup> Anniv) & Seamus Barry (8<sup>th</sup> Anniv)

#### Sunday 11.30am

Jack Vaughan (M.M.)

Frank Quinn (M.M.), his wife Roisin & son James Catherine (Kitty) Buckley (Birthday Remb.)

Marian Clancy

Kathleen O'Sullivan (6<sup>th</sup> Anniv)

### Prayer for the sick:


Let us continue to pray for those who are ill at this time, those who are preparing for and awaiting results of tests and those in hospital. Lord Jesus, you are the true friend of all those who suffer anguish and pain in spirit, mind or body. Please share with them now the gift of your consoling love.

### *Prayer for when I can't receive communion*

#### **Act of Spiritual Communion**

*My Jesus, I believe that You are in the Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I long for You in my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though You have already come, I embrace You and unite myself entirely to You; never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.*

**Parish Pastoral Council** meet on a monthly basis. If you would like to raise any items/ issues or suggestions at a meeting, please send by email to the relevant Pastoral Council  
 St Nicholas Parish Pastoral council email: [PPCStNicholas@gmail.com](mailto:PPCStNicholas@gmail.com)  
 St Mary's Parish Pastoral Council email; [stmarysparishlk@outlook.com](mailto:stmarysparishlk@outlook.com)

 The collection for weekend 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> August in St Mary's Church amounted to €1234, €225 Feast of the Assumption & €358 Diocesan Needs Collection

The collection amounts for St Nicholas Church will be printed next week.  
 We are very thankful for your continued generosity, and grateful for your loyalty and support.

**ST VINCENT DE PAUL** collection is held after Mass on the first weekend each month

Making a donation to the church by bank transfer  
 St Mary's Church Account  
 IBAN: IE11 AIBK 9352 4794 4621 73 BIC: AIBKIE2D  
 St Nicholas Church Account  
 IBAN: IE84 BOFI 9045 9525 8744 17 BIC: BOFIE2D

**St Nicholas Parish Meditation Group**  
 Our meditation group is taking a break for the summer. We will return in September.  
 The prayer chapel at St. Nicholas' church is open daily for private prayer.

 **ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**  
 St Mary's Church  
 Wednesday 10.30am-11.30am (after Mass)

**St. Nicholas Flame of Love Cenacle**  
 Tuesday evening 7.00-8.00pm  
 St Nicholas Prayer Chapel, Westbury.  
 New members welcome, under 18's cannot be facilitated until further notice.  
 For more information; [www.flameoflove.ie](http://www.flameoflove.ie) or call Rachel 0857536504.

**River Walk**  
**Ecumenical event on 'Let Justice and Peace Flow'**  
**Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> September 3.00pm-4.30pm**  
 Beginning at King John's Castle, over Thomond Bridge to Treaty Stone and St Munchin's Church, down Clancy Strand, onto Sarsfield Bridge, left to Arthur's Quay and finishing at St Mary's Cathedral. Please join and support the idea of peace and justice on Earth

**Corbally Bridge Club** inviting new members to join us 7.30pm Wednesday nights - September to June in Scoil Ide, Corbally Road  
 Contact Josie 085 2706274

**Do you feel Called to Ministry?**  
 Would you like to play an active role in your parish/pastoral unit team?  
 Recruiting now for our Lay Pastoral Ministry & Leadership Formation Programme - Sept 2024 - Dec 2026  
 diocese of limerick - our catholic community

**Formation includes:**  
**Prayer and Spirituality:** Spiritual accompaniment and days of recollection and reflection.  
**Pastoral Formation:** Ministry training & 2 practical pastoral placements.  
**Personal Development:** Mentoring and personal growth.  
**Study:** Certificate in Pastoral Ministry Level 6, 36 Credits, over a 2-year period). Fees are shared 3 ways between the student, their parish / pastoral unit and the Diocese (€2.5k over 2.5 years; €833 for each party).

**Pope Francis challenges us to provide the required formation for lay people to assume responsibilities in our Church** "Lay people are, put simply, the vast majority of the people of God. There has been a growing awareness of the identity and mission of the laity in the Church. At the same time, a clear awareness of this responsibility of the laity, grounded in their baptism and confirmation, does not appear in the same way in all places. In some cases, it is because lay persons have not been given the formation needed to take on important responsibilities."

**I am interested, what do I need to do?**

- Speak to your local Priest and Moderator to seek their support and endorsement. Complete an online application form at: [https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/LPM\\_application](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/LPM_application)
- Attend an information session during our Diocesan Assembly on 21st of September, Castletroy Park Hotel, 10am to 1pm.

**“**  
*"The LPM programme gave me the skills, tools and confidence to carry out the definite service that God created me for."*  
 Pat Higgins, Athea.

**“**  
*"My experience of the Lay Pastoral Ministry Programme was rewarding both spiritually and socially, and it enhanced my self development."*  
 Mary O'Reilly Glynn, OIHOC Milford.

**“**  
*"I feel spiritually and emotionally revived having participated in this stimulating, supportive programme."*  
 Con Buckley, St. Munchin's/St. Lelia's

**“**  
*"The LPM programme equipped me with a broad exposure to both the theory and the practice of pastoral ministry, and has supported me in discerning my particular pastoral ministry calling."*  
 Pauline Maher, St. Paul's.

**“**  
*"I got to know God more, and grow closer to Him through the studies and discernment The Lay Pastoral Ministry Programme provides."*  
 Michael Burke, Askeaton.

**AnamCara** are holding an ONLINE Bereavement Information Evening on Tuesday 3rd of September at 7pm. The guest speaker for this month's talk is Bryan Nolan. Bryan has an M.A. Healthcare Chaplaincy DCU , Certified Healthcare Chaplain, End of Life and Grief and loss specialist, Training and facilitation expert. ?  
 If you are supporting any bereaved parents through your line of work, please let them know of this event. I have attached the information flyer please pass it on, or place on your notice board. The link to join is below:  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/9099999999>

**Westbury Preschool** reopening for the new preschool year on Wednesday Aug 28th. Place available for this year. If you are interested in attending our open day or registering your child with our service, please do not hesitate to contact Catherine Hickey (owner/manager) at 087 411 6563