

# NEWSLETTER FOR PASTORAL UNIT 1



## St Nicholas Parish

Mass Time  
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)



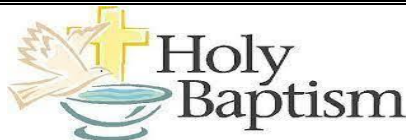
## St Mary's Parish

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 22<sup>nd</sup> & Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2025

Year of Hope

**Clergy Contact Fr Richie Davern 0872977500**  
**Salesian Sisters 061-348510**



Baptisms are held in **St Nicholas Church** on the last Saturday in the month.  
Baptisms are held in **St Mary's Church** on the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday in 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 also available from the Parish Office

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

## Parish News

We encourage local groups in the area to avail of the Weekly Newsletter to promote upcoming events  
To include your notice, 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 will not be included**

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



*We offer our condolences to the families of*  
*Connie Kerley R.I.P.*  
*Martin O'Connor R.I.P.*  
*Gerard Dean R.I.P.*  
*John Sean Moloney R.I.P.*  
*Sr. Josephine Gleeson R.I.P.*  
*Patrick Wacker Collopy R.I.P.*  
*May they rest in eternal peace, Amen*

### Mass Intentions St Mary's Church

#### Saturday 5.00pm

Des Kelly (1<sup>st</sup> Anniv)  
Leo O'Dwyer (3<sup>rd</sup> Anniv)  
Teresa Powell (13<sup>th</sup> Anniv)  
Rosaleen Powell (27<sup>th</sup> Anniv)  
Michael Hehir (Anniv), remembering his wife Bernadette  
Bill, Kathleen, Aine & Eamonn Thornhill (Anniv)  
Elizabeth & Timothy Sheehan (Birthday Rememb.)  
Ita Liston (65<sup>th</sup> Anniv)  
Joanna Campbell Sarsfield (Anniv)

#### Sunday 11.30am

Patrick 'Pat' Fox (M.M.)  
Bernie Guerin (3<sup>rd</sup> Anniv)



*We offer our condolences to the families of*  
*Patrick J. Tierney R.I.P.*  
*John Bourke R.I.P.*  
*May they rest in eternal peace, Amen*

### Mass Intentions St Nicholas Church

#### Sunday 10.00am

Eamonn Ryan (16<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 Holy 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)

**Sacrament of Reconciliation** for those children in Scoil Íde School who are receiving the Sacrament of First Holy Communion will be celebrated in St Mary's Church on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> & Friday 28<sup>th</sup> March. Teachers will accompany the children to the St Mary's Church on the day. Weather permitting



The collection for weekend 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> March amounted to  
 €1556.87 - St Mary's Church (including Shrines) & €326 - St Patrick's Day collection  
 €925 - St Nicholas Church & €326.55 - Diocesan Needs

**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

**Trócaire 2025 - Focus Country - Guatemala**  
 Guatemala is a multi-hazard country: in addition to threats linked to tectonic phenomena such as earthquakes and volcanoes, the country is threatened by increasingly extreme weather due to global warming, such as droughts, hurricanes, floods and landslides. The family on the **Trócaire** Lenten box is Ilma, Julio and their children. They are a strong family unit. Both parents want their children to continue their education. Ilma and Julio make a living through farming, they grow cardamom and corn and depend on selling cardamom for their livelihood. The family used to plant crops twice a year but now only plant once a year because of the extreme weather conditions. A recent drought has devastated their cardamom crop, and for the first time, Julio has had to find a job selling mangoes in nearby market to support his family. Flooding has also affected their home and the family were cut off from the rest of the community and had to take refuge on higher ground to save their lives.  
 On Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> & Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> March, Ms. Karen Casey, from **Trócaire** will address us at all Masses and appeal for your continued support.

**St Nicholas Parish Meditation Group**  
 "...Let us go to a quiet place and rest ...."  
 Our parish meditation group meets every while at 10.45am in St. Nicholas' prayer chapel. Everyone is welcome.



To benefit **Irish Cancer Society**

**Daffodil Day**  
**Friday, March 28<sup>th</sup>**

At our 10.00a.m. Mass in St Mary's Church on 28<sup>th</sup> March we will remember those we have lost to cancer, those who have fought it, and the care specialists, doctors, nurses and scientists who work tirelessly to overcome it. A voluntary collection will take place on the way out from Mass for this worthy society.



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

**St. Nicholas Flame of Love Cenacle**  
 Tuesday 7.00-8.30pm St Nicholas Prayer Chapel  
 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.

**On Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> & Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> March, Ms. Una Burns, NOVAS**, will address us at all Masses. NOVAS is a registered Charity and Approved Housing Body working with families and single adults who are disadvantaged and socially excluded; primarily those who are homeless or at risk of being homeless. Novas provide a range of services and accommodation for marginalised households throughout Ireland.

**Desert Day for Holy Week**  
 'Stay here and keep watch with me'  
 Saturday, April 12<sup>th</sup> 2025  
 10.30 - 5pm  
 Limerick Diocesan Centre  
 St Mochin's, Corbally,  
 Limerick V94 925C

Silent retreat with Eucharist & Sacrament of Reconciliation  
 Facilitated by Phyllis Moynihan RSM and Dolores Madden  
 Please bring your own packed lunch.  
 Tea/coffee/snacks provided  
 Donation €20

Book your place by contacting Phyllis at 0879636893 or email: [Moynihanphyllis525@gmail.com](mailto:Moynihanphyllis525@gmail.com)

Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> & Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> April, we celebrate the Jubilee of the Sick and Healthcare Workers. The Sacrament of Anointing will be offered during our weekend Masses (This is intended for those with serious or chronic illness).