

# 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 29<sup>th</sup> & Sunday 30<sup>th</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*  
*Elizabeth Lyons R.I.P.*  
*Pat Rowe R.I.P.*  
*Connie Kerley R.I.P.*  
*May they rest in eternal peace, Amen*

### Mass Intentions St Mary's Church

#### Saturday 5.00pm

Seanie Moloney (M.M.)  
Pat Rowe (R.I.P.)  
Anthony Cleary (1<sup>st</sup> Anniv)  
Rita Griffin (28<sup>th</sup> Anniv)  
Matthew Banashae & wife Kitty (Anniv)  
Nicole Flynn (11<sup>th</sup> Anniv)  
Rita Clancy (20<sup>th</sup> Anniv) husband Tom & daughter Ria

#### Sunday 11.30am

Johnny McNamara (Anniv)  
Paddy & Hannah Flynn (Anniv)  
John Crowe (Anniv)  
Anthony Cleary (1<sup>st</sup> Anniv)  
Nicole Flynn (11<sup>th</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

Margaret 'Mags' Mulcahy (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)



The total collection for 22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> March amounted to  
 €1408 in St Mary's Church (including donations to Shrines)  
 €670 in St Nicholas Church & €70 donation to Trócaire

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



**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.

**This weekend, 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. Your support would be very welcome

**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).



Attention all parishioners of St Mary's and St Nicholas parishes. Your presence is requested at the biggest and most important night of the Church's year:

**The Easter Vigil,  
 on Holy Saturday night  
 8 pm in St Mary's Church!!**

This year we are holding the one Vigil for the 2 parishes in St Mary's Church. We would love as many people as possible, from the very youngest to the oldest, from both parishes, to come along to this beautiful celebration. If you have never attended the Vigil before, we especially invite you to come along to be part of a truly magical occasion. The Easter Vigil is the deepest expression of what it means to be a Christian community.

*"Fire leaps, starts, sparks, here, there, gold, black, a power for destruction without which human civilization would have no warmth or light. You cannot grasp it in your hand; you cannot survive without its mystery and might. And the fire is Christ. The fire shines before and among us in the great Paschal (Easter) Vigil"*  
 (Gail Ramshaw)

**Wishing all our mothers  
 a happy & restful Mother's Day this Sunday  
 Prayer for Mothers**

Lord Jesus, Today we thank You for the gift of mothers. We thank You for the tenderness they show us, for the comfort they afford us, for challenging us, for understanding us and sharing with us Your wonderful ways. We especially thank You for their loving actions and for the time they take to nurture us with Your guidance. Bless them, today and always, with the knowledge of how important their responsibilities are. Continue to give them the compassion, wisdom and courage they show us daily. We remember our mothers who are now in Your eternal care. May all our departed mothers rejoice with Mary, our Blessed Mother, enjoying their heavenly home.



**Pilgrimage to St. John's Cathedral, Limerick On April 4th, @3pm**

Please reach the Cathedral @ 2.55 pm

Holy Rosary  
 Stations of the Cross  
 Reflection

FINAL BLESSING  
 + BRENDA LEAHY  
 (Bishop of Limerick)

FACILITATED  
 Fr. Mike Cussen (Moderator)  
 Fr. Sean Harmon  
 Fr. Shoji Varghese

