



**Our Lady of the Rosary Parish,
Ennis Road, Limerick**

18/25 December 2022

PARISH WEBSITE

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Office Hours: 09:00 - 09:45 Weekdays
09:00 - 12.30 Sunday

MASS TIMES: Weekends and Holy Days

Saturday Vigil 18:00

Sunday 10:00; 11:30

Weekdays:

Mon. to Fri. 10:00

BAPTISMS: Saturday 17:00
Sunday 12:15



**Nollaig Naofa, Beannachtaí Íosa,
Nollaig chroíúil, is bliain nua
mhaith.**

From

**Fr. Des, Fr. Tom, Margaret & the
Parish Council**

SEASONAL GREETINGS

Warm Greetings as we prepare to celebrate another Christmas on our respective journeys. As our parish enters its 59th year, there is much to ponder.

Our Parish, the year passing, has seen the return to eternal life of sixty of our parishioners; many of them friends and neighbours as well as family. We rejoice too at the welcome of new arrivals - 46 in all.

The profile of our parish is gradually changing and yet the centre of our

mission as priests, religious and people remains constant, giving a prophetic witness in the Church and the Diocese.

I would like to thank all of you for your prayers and emotional and financial support. Without your partnership it would be difficult to maintain a vibrant presence.

I wish each and everyone a happy Christmas and a peaceful New Year.

Desmond McAuliffe

PENITENTIAL SERVICE:

To mark the final step of our preparation for Christmas, our Priests will be available

for a short Penitential Service which will include the opportunity for Confession each morning after 10.00 am Mass on 19, 20, 21 December.

CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES:

**Saturday, 24 December: Vigil Masses:
4 pm & 6 pm**

**Sunday, 25 December: Christmas Day
Masses at 10.00 am & 11.30 am**

No Evening Mass on Christmas Day

**Monday, 26 Dec to Friday, 30 December
Morning Mass at 10:00 am**

**Sunday 1 January: Feast of the Holy
Family: Vigil Mass: Saturday at 6 pm;
Sunday 10:00 am & 11:30 am.**

CHRISTMAS DUES: The Christmas dues envelopes for the Parish Clergy and the Sacristan will be distributed to houses during the week. If you are contributing by cheque, please make the cheques payable to 'Our Lady of the Rosary Parish' and in relation to the Sacristan to 'Margaret Clifford'.

THE CRIB: Many years ago, in the thirteenth century, when most ordinary people could not read. St. Francis decided he would demonstrate the Christmas story in a way everyone could understand. He set up a stable scene in a cave not far from his home in Assisi, with real people and animals. As people gathered around to see what he was doing, he told them how Jesus had been born in a simple stable and how angels had appeared to shepherds telling them to go and find for themselves the Messiah

who had been born. The idea gradually caught on and now the Christmas Crib (also called a crèche or Nativity scene) is a universal part of the celebrations.

MASS INTENTIONS (Mass each day as usual)

Sat 17	18:00	Liam & Mary Garrahy (A) Gerry McKeon (A) Vera Keane (A) Humphrey Murphy
Sun 18	10:00	Michael Gleeson (A)
	11:30	Jim & Rose Hurley (Rem.) Paddy & Peig Quane & their son John (A) William Hogan (A)
Mon 19	10:00	Pro Popolo
Tue 20	10:00	Nóra McKenna (A) Special Intention
Wed 21	10:00	Deceased Members of the Barry Family
Fri 23	10:00	Michael O'Farrell (A) Mary O'Rourke (A) her brother John Clifford & family (Rem) Betty Reid (1 ST A)
Mon 26	10:00	Pro Popolo
Tues 27	10:00	Mary Murphy (A)
Fri 30	10:00	David O'Meara (A)
Sat 31	18:00	Ita Duffy (A)

**O come, O come, Emmanuel
And ransom captive Israel
That mourns in lonely exile here
Until the Son of God appear
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee O Israel**

**AS THERE ARE MANY VIRUSES AROUND
PLEASE BE MINDFUL OF THE MORE
VULNERABLE AMONG US AS THERE WILL
BE INCREASED NUMBERS IN
ATTENDANCE AT THE CHRISTMAS
SERVICES.**