Our Lady of the Rosary Parish Limerick



Newsletter

First Sunday of Lent

21st February 2021

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Church News

The Church remains closed during Mass times and is private for funeral services. Funeral Masses are streamed live because of limits on attendance.

With a stretch in the evenings, we have extended the opening hours, now from 10:30 am to 4:00 pm each day, for individual visits and personal prayer. You may enter by the side door near the Sacristy. Please use the hand sanitiser, wear a face covering, and observe social distancing.

We are most grateful to parishioners who continue to make donations during the Covid-19 Lockdown. All streams of income to the parish have been disrupted by the restrictions on regular attendance. The letter box on the inner door of the Sacristy may be used to return collection envelopes.

Our priests continue to celebrate Mass at the usual times: 10:00 am, Mon. to Fri., 6:00 pm Sat, 10:00 am & 11:30 am on Sunday. Since we cannot have a congregation in Church, all Masses are streamed live.

School Enrolment 2021

Applications are being accepted for Junior Infants, boys and girls, at the Salesian Primary School. See the website www.salesianprimary.ie for full details.

The Season of Lent

Traditionally marked by prayer and fasting, Lent is essentially a time of preparation for Easter and reflection upon the Resurrection.

<u>Lenten Packs</u>: These packs, which were available in Church on Ash Wednesday, were quickly taken by parishioners, some for themselves and some for neighbours. We are pleased that many were able to participate in the ritual of Blessed Ashes in this way.

Lenten Prayer:

Lord, let Your Spirit guide us in your commandments Let your Spirit open our voices to proclaim your love Let your Spirit fill us with energy and life Let your Spirit come to us in mercy and forgiveness Amen.

Stations of the Cross

On each Friday during Lent, Br. James Dormer will lead a Way of the Cross after the 10:00 am Mass. This will be streamed live through the parish webcam.

We adore you O Christ, and we praise you, Because by your Holy Cross you have redeemed the world.

A Response to Covid-19

Fr. Flann Lynch, OFM Cap., has produced two videos in response to the Covid-19 pandemic. One is a 4 minute personal reflection; the other is a 6 minute meditation. Both are under the title: The Wild Ox's Strength. They are on You Tube and they may be found by searching for: The Wild Ox's Strength.

Covid-19 Vaccination

See the HSE website at www.hse.ie for the latest information on the rollout of coronavirus vaccines. At present, those aged 85 years and over are being contacted by their doctors. Persons aged 70 and over will be taken next, in groups by age. Vaccination is provided free of charge.

If you have any allergies, if you've previously had allergic reaction to vaccine, if you have Covid or Covid symptoms or fever, make sure to discuss your situation with a healthcare professional.

For any health worries, Covid-related or otherwise, don't neglect to call your doctor. The HSE operates a telephone helpline, 1850 24 1850, Mon. to Fri. 8:00 am to 8:00 pm; Sat. & Sun. 9:00 am to 5:00 pm.

Mass Intentions

Sat 20 th Feb Sun 21 st Feb	18:00 10:00	Aidan Larkin (A) Mollie O'Carroll (A) Mary & Gerard Gleeson (A) Fin Fielding M.Mind
	11:30	Michael Cleary (A)
Mon 22 nd Feb	10:00	Pro Popolo Eileen Webster (A)
Tue 23 rd Feb	10:00	Michael O'Farrell Rec.Dec.
Wed 24th Feb	10:00	
Thu 25 th Feb	10:00	Paddy Hartmann Rec.Dec.
Fri 26 th Feb	10:00	Paddy Hartmann Rec.Dec.
Sat 27 th Feb Sun 28 th Feb	18:00 10:00 11:30	Kitty & Matty Cooney Denis Mulcahy Rec,Dec. Peggy Flanagan

Intentions are remembered at Masses, which are celebrated in Church, streamed online, and broadcast by parish radio. The letter box on the inner door of the Sacristy may be used to arrange Masses for anniversaries and other intentions.

Recently Deceased

Let us pray for the repose of the souls of Eamonn Clancy, James (Jim) Mulvey and Jane Kennedy (Dormer), who died recently.