

### THE DEEP END *Christ the King*

This is the final Sunday of Year C and as we draw to a close our reading of Luke's Gospel we hear the account of Jesus' crucifixion. It is the Feast of Christ the King and this Gospel certainly gives us an opportunity to lay aside a lot of cultural baggage we may have about kings, leaders and kingdoms. Jesus' kingdom is unlike the one that Pilate, or many other early leaders know. It is a kingdom built on love, service, justice, reconciliation and peace. Few 'kings' can measure up to this: responding to violence with forgiveness, giving those with no hope a reason to hope, putting the crisis of the world before financial gain or power. Who do you know in your world today who is the more living example of this type of kingship, making daily sacrifices in endless service to those around them?

We hear much about the climate crisis in our world today, the loss of biodiversity, the breakdown of our ecosystems and the lack of political will to embrace the solutions that are available. This is due to greed and the powerful influence of so called leaders. Once again many will gather in Chile next for the 25<sup>th</sup> UN Conference on Climate Change. We must pray for them, that they will be courageous and put the future of our environment above financial gain and lead for the best interests of our world and for the generations to come.

Today's Gospel gives a powerful image of Jesus as servant King, shining like a beacon of light for society in today's world.

*'The power of truth, of honesty, of forgiveness – with no frills! How different the world would be if it was governed by this*

*kind of power.'* Michel de Verteuil  
**Jane Mellett mellettj@gmail.com**

### SOCIETY OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL CHRISTMAS APPEAL 30 NOV/1 DEC

This year's Christmas Appeal will take place after all Masses on **30<sup>th</sup> Nov/1<sup>st</sup> Dec**. Our Lady of the Rosary Conference has 11 Members; we meet weekly and visit families in need in the parish and in Moyross. The conference assists families with food, heating and education expenses during the year. Requests for assistance increase at this time of the year, particularly with fuel and utility bills.

We rely almost entirely on the generosity of the parishioners of the parish throughout the year and particular at this time of year. We would like to thank each of you who give so generously to us throughout the year.

We wish you a peaceful Christmas and a Happy New Year.

You are remembered in our prayers at our weekly meeting.

### PROGRAMME OF FORMATION FOR LAY PASTORAL MINISTRY AND LEADERSHIP:

You are invited to attend an information evening on the new 'Programme of Formation for Lay Pastoral Ministry and Leadership' which will be offered in the Diocese of Limerick next year. The programme is a direct response to the action from the Synod to train lay volunteer catechists / animators / co-ordinators to support faith development in our parishes and pastoral units. The information evening is **at 7:30pm Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> November** in Limerick Diocesan Centre at St Munchin's and in other areas in the diocese.

More information on the programme on [www.limerickdiocese.org](http://www.limerickdiocese.org)

**BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT INFORMATION EVENING** will take place in Milford Care Centre on Tue 26<sup>th</sup> November 2019 from 7pm-8.30pm. The Bereavement Information evening is designed to give general information on grief and bereavement to bereaved people, their family and friends. Bereavement Counsellors will be in attendance to provide general information on Grief and Bereavement. The evening will comprise of: Short talk by a Bereavement Counsellor, Different experiences of Grief, Services available, Question Time. The Information Evening is free.

### FIRST COMMUNION PREPARATION

**PROGRAM:** JFK boys and families – Saturday Nov. 23<sup>rd</sup> 6.00 pm Mass  
Girls and families – Salesian Primary School Sunday Nov. 24<sup>th</sup> 10.00 am Mass

**THANK YOU** from Limerick Lions Club annual Christmas church gate collection for the needy which took place last weekend – €1,095 was raised.

### ADVENT AT GLENSTAL ABBEY 2019

**Here is the Lord: Come out to meet Him.**

A series of 3 talks on the first 3 Sundays of Advent (December 1st, 8th, 15th)  
Venue: Monastery Library – Glenstal Abbey at 4.30pm  
Speakers: Dr Jessie Rogers, Luke McNamara OSB, Cuthbert Brennan OSB

### ADVENT TALKS

#### **'HOW TO ENJOY THE GIFT OF THE BIBLE'**

Fr. Joe Hayes, SJ will present four Advent talks on the theme 'How to enjoy the gift of the Bible?' These talks will be held at 7.30 pm in the Parish Centre beginning on Wednesday, 27<sup>th</sup> November and on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> December.

**THE LITURGY GROUP** will meet on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> November at 7.00 pm.

**REFLECTION:** 'People will try and tell you that all the great opportunities have been snapped up. In reality the world changes every second, blowing new opportunities in all directions, including yours.' **Ken Hakuta**

### PARISH WEBSITE

[www.ourladyoftherosaryparishlimerick.ie](http://www.ourladyoftherosaryparishlimerick.ie)

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**Fr. Tom Ryan C.C. Tel: 087 2997733**

**Parish Clerk: Margaret Clifford at Church Sacristy Tel: 061 325288**

**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**

**Saturday 09:45 Prayer Service**

**BAPTISMS: Saturday 17:00**

**Sunday 12:15**

### MASS INTENTIONS

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| Sat 23 <sup>rd</sup>    | 18:00 | Jack & Marie Frawley (A)<br>Harry Leahy (A)  |
| Sun 24 <sup>th</sup>    | 10:00 | Eugene Francis O'Dea (Rec.Dec.)<br>Nora De Hore (1 <sup>st</sup> A)                                |
|                         | 11:30 | Emer & Patrick Ryan (A)<br>Tina Ryan (M.M.)<br>Kathleen & Michael McNamara (A)<br>Jim Finucane (A) |
| Mon 25 <sup>th</sup>    | 10:00 | Fr. John Conneely (A)  |
| Tue 26 <sup>th</sup>    | 10:00 | Eamon Keane (A)  |
| Wed 27 <sup>th</sup>    | 10:00 | Tom Bourke   |
| Thur 28 <sup>th</sup>   | 18:00 | Carmel Custy (Rem)   |
| Fri 29 <sup>th</sup>    | 10:00 | Dora Brosnan (A)   |
| Sat 30 <sup>th</sup>    | 09:45 | Prayer Service   |
|                         | 18:00 | Mike Madigan (A)<br>Rose Manifold (M.M.)   |
| Sun 1 <sup>st</sup> Dec | 10:00 | Des Fry (A)  |
|                         | 11:30 | Martin Phelan (A)  |

