Our Lady of the Rosary Parish Limerick Newsletter for 27th December 2020

Feast of the Holy Family

Having rejoiced in the Nativity of the Lord on Christmas Day, it is fitting that we should now celebrate the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph on Sunday 27th December 2020.

We ponder this model family of Nazareth and we pray for families everywhere. We ask God to be mindful of their needs and to guide them through the New Year.

Attending Church for Mass

As you have probably heard, the situation with Covid-19 has worsened in recent days and the government has imposed new restrictions from Christmas onwards in the interest of public health.

From St. Stephen's Day, we are again at Level 5 and we are unable to have a congregation for Mass in Church. Our priests will continue to celebrate Mass at the usual times and all services will be streamed live by means of the parish webcam.

If you are able visit the Church, on your own or in family groups, please use the hand sanitiser as you enter and again as you leave. To protect each other, you are asked to wear a face covering while inside and to observe social distancing of at least 2 metres from other visitors.

Coronavirus Situation

The latest advice from Government is available at www.gov.ie under COVID-19 (Coronavirus)

Guidelines from the Health Service may be found at www.hse.ie under Covid-19 (coronavirus)

Limerick Covid Community Response Telephone: 1800 832005



Mass Intentions for the Week

Sat 26 th Dec	18:00	Christmas Rem for Hartnett Murphy & Carroll Families
Sun 27 th Dec	10:00	Roisín Hayes M.Mind
		Margaret Guirey M.Mind
	11:30	Jim & Rose Hurley Rem.
		Carmel & Geraldine Corbett
Mon 28 th Dec	10:00	Pro Popolo
Tue 29 th Dec	10:00	Monica Ryan (Conway)
Wed 30th Dec	10:00	Purgatorial
Thu 31st Dec	10:00	
Fri 1 st Jan	10:00	Frank Davis (A)
Sat 2 nd Jan	18:00	Ita Duffy (A)
		Humphrey Murphy (A)
		Eamon Beston (A)
Sun 3 rd Jan	10:00	Rodgers Family Dec.Mem.
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Recently Deceased

Let us pray for the repose of the souls of Michael O' Farrell, Declan Bromell and John Collins, who died recently.

We also remember Paddy Hall, Eamon Lowe, Maureen O' Callaghan, Margaret Guirey and Roisín Hayes. May they rest in peace. Nollaig Shona agus Nollaig Naofa

Athbhliain faoi Shéan is faoi Mhaise Daoibh

On behalf of our priests, Fr. Des Mc Auliffe and Fr. Tom Ryan, our Sacristan, and the Parish Council:

As the Christmas Season continues, may it be a holy and a happy time for you; May your families be well.

May we have a wonderful New Year together; May the Lord bless us all and keep us safe in 2021.

Support for Older People from ALONE Telephone: 0818 222024

Christmas Dues & Clerk's Collection

We wish to thank all who have returned the Offering Envelopes to the Church over Christmas and others who will drop them in as soon as possible. Please note that cheques should be made payable to 'Our Lady of the Rosary Parish', for the Priests, and to 'Margaret Clifford' for the Sacristan.

Visiting the Church and the Crib

The Church is open for personal visits and private prayer from 10:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. each day, Mon. to Sat. with entry by the side door near the Sacristy.

The following is from the Irish Bishops in their recent message [Parish Newsletter, 13th & 20th Dec.]:

It is possible to experience the spiritual richness of this special season in many ways. Our homes can become "little churches" where we invite the Christchild in. The age-old tradition of having a Christmas crib in the home and gathering there as a family to pray or to sing a carol will be especially meaningful this year. We also invite families or "household bubbles" to pay a visit to their local church at some time during the twelve days to offer a Christmas prayer at the crib and pray together for their families and for those particularly impacted by the pandemic.