Parish Newsletter 27/28 May 2023

Our Lady of the Rosary Parish Limerick



SEEING YOUR LIFE THROUGH THE LENS OF THE GOSPEL: John 20:19-23

1. Jesus comes into a room full of fear. Sometimes it is fear itself that makes us close the door on others and on God. Occasionally a person comes along with the gift of breaking through our closed doors; a person who comes to be with us in our fears. Do you have memories of people getting through to you and being with you despite your closed doors? Who brought peace in a time of anxiety?

2. Jesus showed his wounds to his friends. Moments of grace can occur when another shows us their vulnerable side, or when we do that with them. Let your memories speak of such experiences to you.

3. As Jesus was sent by the Father, so he sent out the disciples. We inherit this mission today. We live that mission by being a patient, kind, encouraging and compassionate presence wherever we are.

4. The mission also evokes images of receiving and handing on the things that give life: values, meaning, sense of purpose, love. Who are the people who gave you life by what they handed on to you? To whom have you handed on what is life-giving?

5. In our tradition the final verse reminds us of the Sacrament of Reconciliation but its meaning is broader than that. Spirit-filled people are people who forgive. You might like to recall memories of when you have forgiven, or retained, another's sins. What difference has it made to you and others when you forgave rather than hold sins against other?

PARISH COUNCIL: The AGM of the Parish Council was held on Tuesday last. It was a well-attended positive meeting with many suggestions and ideas being put forward. The Parish Council will issue a Report on the AGM in next week's newsletter. Thank you to all who attended.

MEMBERS OF THE PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL 2023/24 Fr. Des McAuliffe PP, Fr. Tom Ryan CC.

Mary McEvoy, Chairperson, Brian McCarthy, Vice Chairperson, Anne Kennedy, Secretary, Bridie Burke, Fergal Deegan, Brian McCarthy, Elizabeth Mulvin, Margaret Naughton, Melanie O'Shea and Sarah Phillips. **ROSARY FOR THE MONTH OF MAY:** The Rosary will be said each evening at 8 pm at the Grotto to our Lady in Fernbank. All are welcome

THE HOSPITALITY GROUP look forward to seeing you at the Parish Centre for a 'cuppa and a chat' after the 10 am Mass on **Wednesday 31st May.** This is the last 'cuppa and chat' for the moment. A big thank you to Marian and her team, for providing an opportunity for parishioners to meet and catch up. They hope to see you back again after the summer. They are particularly looking for volunteers to help out on their return.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

The monthly collection for the local conference will be taken up after each Mass next weekend, 3/4 June 2023. As always, your contributions are put to good use in the community and your support is greatly appreciated.

GLENSTAL ONE-DAY SUMMER RETREAT Wednesday/Thursday 28/29 June

Relax, reflect, pray and enjoy the company of others in the peaceful and beautiful surrounds of Glenstal Abbey. The day begins at 10am with tea/coffee at registration. It will include talks, Mass, lunch, Holy Hour with the option of Confession, and afternoon tea. The retreat day ends at 5pm but all are welcome to remain for Vespers at 6pm. Cost €50. To book, call Reception (061 621005) or email: events@glenstal.com

MASS INTENTIONS

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10.00	Michael Heenan (1 st A)
10:00	Frances O'Doherty (A)
11:30	Breda Brosnan (A)
10:00	Pro Popolo
10:00	Special Intention
	Pat O'Callaghan (Rec. Dec.)
10:00	
10:00	Maureen McInerney (A)
10:00	Special Intention
	Bernie O'Rourke & Family
18:00	James and Patricia Irwin (A)
10:00	
11:30	Jerry McCabe(A)
	11:30 10:00 10:00 10:00 10:00 10:00 18:00 10:00

Mass Times: Priests: Parish Clerk: Daily Mass - Mon to Fri - 10:00 Fr. Des McAuliffe P.P. tel - 061 324825 Margaret Clifford at Church Sacristy Sat Vigil & Eve of Holy Day – 18:00 Fr. Tom Ryan C.C. tel - 087 2997733 tel - 061 325 288 Office Hours: Mon - Fri 09:00 to 09:45 Sunday & Holy Day - 10:00 & 11:30 Adoration: First Friday 10:30 to 11:30 Baptisms: except when there is a funeral & Sunday from 09:00 to 12:30 Sat 17:00 & Sun 12:15 by appointment **Parish Website: Church Open for Private Prayer:** Marriages: by appointment www.ourladyoftherosaryparishlimerick.ie Mon – Sat from 09:30 to 15:00