Easter Sunday of the

Lord's Resurrection



Our Lady of the Rosary

31st March 2024

Parish Newsletter

Easter Wishes

On behalf of our priests, Fr. Des Mc Auliffe and Fr. Tom Ryan, our Sacristan and the Parish Council, we wish you a Happy Easter. May the Blessings of the Risen Christ be with each of you and with your families.

Spring Forward - Summer Time

Don't forget that our time moves forward one hour on Sunday 31st March at 2:00 a.m. for Daylight Savings Time.

St. Vincent de Paul Society

The monthly collection for the local conference will be taken up after each Mass next weekend, 6th & 7th April 2024. Your contributions are greatly appreciated.

Easter Dues & Clerk's Collection

We wish to thank all who have returned the Offering Envelopes to the Church over Easter 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.

This Week in the Parish Centre

- tea / coffee on Wednesday 3rd after 10:00 Mass;
- the Bereavement Support Group will meet with those who have been bereaved on Friday 5th at 10:30 am to offer support in a relaxed and friendly environment. Tea / coffee included.

Limerick Dementia Social Club

On the first Wednesday of each month, a friendly space is provided for people with dementia and their carers to socialise, have a cuppa, share information and take part in activities. The next meeting is on Wed. 3rd April at 6:30 pm in Our Lady of Lourdes Community Centre.

Eucharistic Adoration Pilgrimage to Knock

This National Pilgrimage will take place on Saturday & Sunday, 13th & 14th April. Travel and accommodation details, the weekend programme at Knock, as well as contact numbers and booking details, may be found at www.eucharisticadoration.ie.

Upward Call Pilgrimage to Italy

This Pilgrimage in the footsteps of St Thomas Aquinas and the Eucharist, to be led by the Dominican Friars and Dominican Sisters, will take place from the 16th to 22nd June 2024. It is open to young adults, aged 18-35. For further details, please email limerick@op-tn.org.

The Three Ages of Mary

The three ages of Mary are depicted in works by a variety of artists in our Church. On the entrance façade of the bell-tower there is a life-size figure of Our Lady of Fatima in white teak by Oisín Kelly depicting Mary as a young, smiling barefoot teenager with rosary beads held aloft in prayer [see above].

At the back of the Church is a strong yet tender Madonna and Child by Limerick artist and carpenter/joiner James 'Jimmy' Clancy. Our Lady is holding the infant Jesus by his feet. Mary's smile has faded as if she can foresee the sacrifice her child will have to make when he is grown. At the rear of the altar on the right, there is a carved statue of Our Lady of the Rosary by French artist Yvonne Jammet. Here Mary is depicted as an older woman, denoted by additional layers of dress, with her eyes cast downwards in prayer and holding a rosary beads but with open hands. [Ref. 'The Three Ages of Mary' by Emma Gilleece, published in 'Of Limerick Saints and Seekers'; edited by David Bracken]





Mass Intentions

Sat 30th Mar 21:00 Easter Vigil Sun 31st Mar 10:00 Judith McGrath (A) 11:30 Jean Clancy (1st A); Ger Neville (A) Mon 1st Apr 10:00 Pro Popolo Tue 2nd Apr 10:00 Richie Ryan (Rec Dec) Wed 3rd Apr 10:00 Christopher O'Neill (A) Thur 4th Apr 10:00 Fri 5th Apr 10:00 Paddy Finucane (A); Thomas Brosnan (A) Sat 6th Apr 18:00 Martha & Joe Coffey (A) 10:00 Bridie Ryan (A); Willie & Michael Ryan Sun 7th Apr (A); Margaret Ryan (3rd A)

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