

Our Lady of the Rosary Parish Limerick



Online Newsletter for 9th May 2021

Sixth Sunday of Easter

From Monday 10th May, you are welcome to attend Mass in Church and we invite you to do so safely by continuing to adhere to public health guidelines.

On weekdays, where the congregation is normally less than 50, we intend to use the central seats only, every second row. For Saturday and Sunday, using the side aisles as well, we have room for two pods of 50 each. Seating positions have been marked and cordoned off. Stewards will be on hand for guidance.

Please consider which Mass suits you best, whether you might switch from your usual time and whether you would be safer with weekday Mass instead of weekend attendance. Do not come to Church if you have or suspect you have Covid-19.

For those who are unable to return to Church for the time being, we hope that you will join us online through the streaming service. Fr. Mc Auliffe has resumed his First Friday visits to the housebound.

Congregational singing is not permitted. Solo singing with accompanist is permitted subject to compliance with HSE / HPSC Guidance for Religious Services. We are unable to have Mass leaflets at this time.

Funerals and weddings are still regarded as private ceremonies with maximum attendance of 50 people.

We must remain vigilant. The coronavirus is still spreading in the community. The number of new cases being announced each day is quite high. We must not risk another spike, as happened with the opening of society in December. Let's be careful.

Many of our parishioners have been vaccinated but others have only received the first dose and some are still waiting. Remember, the vaccine protects you against Covid-19 illness but it may not prevent you picking up the virus and passing it on to others.

Hand Hygiene: Please wash your hands before you leave home and as soon as you return. Use the hand sanitiser as you enter Church and again as you leave. Do not shake hands with each other. Try to minimise any touching of doors, handles and seats.

Face Covering: To protect each other from transmission of the virus, you are asked to wear a face mask, to cover your nose and mouth, both inside and around the Church, unless there is some reason why you cannot. Visors do not give adequate protection.

Social Distancing: You must keep at least 2 metres from others at all times and in all directions. Although it is safer to be outdoors, you are asked not to congregate around the Church either before or after Mass. You will be indoors for 30-40 minutes.

Holy Communion: When approaching the Altar and returning to your seat, take your time. Always hold back 2 metres from the person in front of you. The celebrant will advise as to how groups will approach and return to ensure necessary separation.

Feast Days

Wednesday 12th May: Venerable Edel Quinn
Thursday 13th May: Our Lady of Fatima
Friday 14th May: St. Matthias, apostle
Saturday 15th May: St. Carthage of Lismore

Edel Quinn

Edel Quinn, who was born in Kanturk, Co. Cork, in 1907, dedicated her life to serve God through the establishment of the Legion of Mary in Africa. Suffering from serious illness in the 1930s, she was unable to join the Poor Clares, as she had wished. Instead, she became involved in the lay organisation which had been founded by Frank Duff in Dublin in 1921. Edel travelled to Africa in 1936 and she began to spread the Legion of Mary there. She continued with this work, in challenging circumstances, until her health declined further. Edel Quinn died in 1944 and she was buried in Nairobi, Kenya.

[Source: Diocese of Cloyne; www.cloynediocese.ie]

Mass Intentions

Sat 8 th May	18:00	Michael & Margaret Shearin (A)
Sun 9 th May	10:00	Tom Costello (A)
	11:30	Margie Ryan M.Mind Tommy Pyne (A)
Mon 10 th May	10:00	Pro Popolo
Tue 11 th May	10:00	Purgatorial Ted Motherway (2 nd Anniv)
Wed 12 th May	10:00	Peggy Buckley (A)
Thu 13 th May	10:00	Nancy & Aengus Shanahan (A)
Fri 14 th May	10:00	Fionnuala Murphy Rec.Dec.
Sat 15 th May	18:00	John & Sarah McNamara (A)
Sun 16 th May	10:00	<i>The Ascension of The Lord</i>
	11:30	<i>World Communications Day</i>

Marathon of Prayer

Pope Francis has inaugurated a "Marathon of Prayer" to ask for an end to the Covid-19 pandemic. He has requested that the Rosary be prayed each day during May, at Marian Shrines throughout the world, as a continuous intercession through Mary to the Father.