

**Our Lady of the Rosary
Parish Limerick**

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The Most Holy Trinity



Parish Newsletter

26th May 2024

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Parish Pastoral Council AGM

The Annual General Meeting was held on Tuesday 21st May. The main topics covered were as follows:

- The continuing and wonderful service of Fr. Des and Fr. Tom, our two priests, Margaret, our sacristan and the many volunteers who give their time to meet the various needs of our parish community.
- The painting / restoration of the Church building; the new lighting in the side aisles; the fresh painting of the much-used Parish Centre.
- plans for the 60th Celebration of Our Lady of the Rosary as a Parish; a special Commemorative Mass on Sunday 6th October at 11:30 am.
- an information booklet on parish organisations / voluntary groups will be distributed to households.
- concern was expressed about rising homelessness and the plight of the homeless in the city.
- there was much appreciation of those who organise the Family Mass, monthly on the second Sunday; the next celebration will be on Sunday 9th June before they take a break for the summer.

First Communion Ceremonies

Congratulations to the girls from Salesian Primary who made their First Communion with us on Saturday 25th May and many thanks to their families. May God bless them.

During the Week

- Parishioners recite the Rosary every evening during May at Our Lady's Grotto, Fernbank, at 8:00 pm.
- Come to the Parish Centre for tea / coffee and a friendly chat on Wednesday 29th May after 10:00 am Mass; hospitality will continue for two more Wednesdays until 12th June.
- There will be a talk on Bereavement & Support Information at the Milford Care Centre on Tuesday 28th May at 7:00 pm. This is open to bereaved persons, family and friends; admission is free.

Church Collections at Mass

Parishioners will remember that we used to have two collections at weekend Masses and on Holy Days: one at the Offertory for general costs and another after Communion for special purposes. The latter included Diocesan Needs, twice a month, The Missions, Retired Priests, once a year.

Having suspended the second basket collection, we now contribute to these funds from the Offertory collection.

Those who use the envelope system have special envelopes for their contributions but those who put cash in the basket may not be aware of the extra needs on certain weekends.

This point was raised at the AGM of the Parish Council and we will try to flag special collections through the newsletter and website. The next collections for Diocesan Needs are on the weekends of June 9th & 16th; July 14th & 21st.

St. Vincent de Paul Society

The monthly collection for the local conference will be taken up after each Mass next weekend, 1st & 2nd June 2024. Your contributions are greatly appreciated.

Support for the Elderly from ALONE

The ALONE organisation supports older people in their homes through personal and telephone contact. They are now seeking volunteers to provide such companionship in the Limerick area. Training and support will be provided. If you are interested, you may apply through the ALONE website at www.alone.ie. For more information, contact Caroline by email at caroline.bradley@alone.ie. To get support, the ALONE contact number is 0818 222 024.

Accord Marriage Preparation Facilitators

Accord is the Catholic Marriage Care Service, formerly known as CMAC. They are currently seeking volunteers, who are supportive of marriage in the Catholic Church, and would like to work as facilitators supporting couples in their preparation for the Sacrament.

Successful applicants will receive professional training and be part of a team delivering marriage preparation programmes locally. For further information, you may write by email to marriagepreparation@accord.ie or see the Accord website at www.accord.ie.

Mass Intentions

Sat 25 th May	18:00	John Clifford (A); Philomena Dunworth (A); Brid Brosnan (A)
Sun 26 th May	10:00	Frances O'Doherty (A)
	11:30	Michael Heenan (A); Mary Power (A)
Mon 27 th May	10:00	Pro Popolo
Tue 28 th May	10:00	John & Anne McNamara (A)
Wed 29 th May	10:00	
Thur 30 th May	10:00	
Fri 31 st May	10:00	Margaret Brosnan (Rec Dec)
Sat 1 st June	18:00	Maureen McInerney (A)
Sun 2 nd June	10:00	
	11:30	