

**Our Lady of the Rosary Parish
Limerick
1964 - 2024**



**Parish Newsletter
1 / 2 March 2025**

EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

LENT begins this week on Ash Wednesday. Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of the Season of Lent. It is a day of fast and abstinence. Lent is a season of penance, reflection and fasting which prepares us for Christ's Resurrection on Easter Sunday.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS led by Br. Jim Dormer, will be held each Friday during lent after 10 am Mass. The beginning of Lent depends on the date of Easter. Easter follows a lunar calendar and is celebrated on the Sunday that follows the first full moon after 21 March (the Spring equinox). Therefore, Easter cannot fall earlier than 22 March or later than 25 April.

FAMILY MASS: It is lovely to see so many families at our monthly Family Mass. Our March Family Mass is on Sunday next 9 February at 11.30 am. **Everyone** is invited to the Parish Centre for tea and chat afterwards, it is a lovely opportunity to meet up with your fellow parishioners.

PARISH COUNCIL: The Parish Pastoral Council meets in the Parish Centre on Tuesday 11 March at 7.30 pm.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY: The monthly collection for the local conference will be taken up after each Mass this weekend.

HOSPITALITY ON WEDNESDAYS: Please come for tea/coffee and a chat in the Parish Centre after the 10:00 am Mass on Wednesdays. It is a great opportunity to meet up with your friends and neighbours. We look forward to seeing you there. Our thanks to Anne and her team.

INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY: Celebrating Women of Spirit & Faith through spoken word, reflection, music, song and verse: Saturday 08 March, 9:30 am – 3.30 pm, at Patrickswell Community Centre (V94 3K59). Keynote Speaker: Dr. Patricia Kieran. To register, contact Ann at 087 9304666 before Wednesday 5 March.

LENTEN DESERT DAY: This Silent Retreat, facilitated by Sr. Phyllis Moynihan and Maire Hearty, will take place on Sat. 08 March, 10:30 am to 5:00 pm, at the Diocesan Centre in Corbally. For details and booking, contact Sr. Phyllis at 087 9636893.

JOURNEY IN HOPE TOGETHER: Popes Francis has invited us this Lent to 'journey in hope together'. You can be a Pilgrim of Hope for others by: Taking a short Pioneer Pledge for Lent; Spiritually adopting someone who is on an Alcohol Treatment Program; Learning the 12 Steps of the AA Fellowship. More information at pioneerassociation.org

THOMISTIC INSTITUTE TALK is on Monday, 10th March at 7pm in the parish hall of **St. Saviour's Dominican Church**, Limerick. The speaker will be Sr. Jane Dominic Laurel O.P. on the topic of "Suffering and the Narrative of Redemption: Why God allows us to suffer".

REFLECTION: 'Why is it that it seems to be so much easier to get caught up in the hard things and the struggles than it is to remember the happy moments?' *Joyce Rupp*

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat Feb 1st	18:00	Úna Flannery (M.M.) Kitty & Mattie Cooney (A) Jacqueline Cleary (A) Aidan Larkin(A)
Sun 2nd	10:00 11:30	Margaret O'Connor (1 st A) Marie Ryan (M.M.) Pearl Moore (A)
Mon 3rd	10:00	Pro Popolo
Tues 4th	10:00	Feast of St. Casimir
Wed 5th	10:00	ASH WEDNESDAY Mick Hurley (A)
Thurs 6th	10:00	Feast of St. Colette
Fri 7th	10:00	Feast of Ss Perpetua & Felicity
Sat 8th	18:00	Feast of St John of God, St Senan of Kilrush International Women's Day
Sun 9th	10:00 11:30	John & Elizabeth Leahy (A) Betty O'Shea (A) Marie Dillon (A)

Mass Times:

Daily Mass – Mon to Fri – 10:00
Sat Vigil & Eve of Holy Day – 18:00
Sunday & Holy Day – 10:00 & 11:30

Baptisms:

Sat 17:00 & Sun 12:15 by appointment

Marriages: by appointment

Priests:

Canon Des McAuliffe P.P. tel: 061 324825
Fr. Tom Ryan C.C. tel: 087 2997733

Adoration: First Friday after 10:00
Mass. During Lent: 9:15, every Friday.

Parish Website:

www.ourladyoftherosaryparishlimerick.ie

Parish Clerk:

Margaret Clifford at Church Sacristy
Tel: 061 325 288

Office Hours: Mon - Fri 09:00 to 10:30
& Sunday from 09:00 to 12:30

Church Open for Private Prayer:

Mon – Sat from 09:30 to 15:00