

**Our Lady of the Rosary
Parish Limerick**

Fourth Sunday of Easter



**Parish Newsletter
11 May 2025**

PLEASE TAKE & READ

Day of Prayer for Vocations

God our Father, You made each of us to use our gifts in the Body of Christ. We ask that you inspire young people, whom you call to priesthood and consecrated life, to courageously follow your will. Send workers into your great harvest so that the Gospel is preached, the poor are served with love, the suffering comforted, and your people are strengthened by the sacraments.

Evening Rosary at Fernbank Grotto

During May, the month of Mary, please join our traditional parish devotion at 8:00 pm each evening to honour Our Blessed Mother, to invoke her intercession for our spiritual and temporal needs.

The Family Mass

This Sunday, 11 May, we are pleased to have the Family Mass at 11:30 am. It is a great opportunity for our younger parishioners to participate in the prayers of the Mass. Come for tea / coffee afterwards in the Parish Centre.

Garden Fête at Villiers School

The Annual Garden Fête takes place this Sunday, 11 May 2025, at Villiers School, North Circular Road. It runs from 11:30 am to 3:30 pm and all are welcome.

Lunch Time Concert

The Voices of Limerick, together with Musical Director Colette Davis, will perform a free lunch time concert in St Mary's Cathedral on Tuesday next, 13 May, at 1:15 pm. The choir will be accompanied by Irina Dernova on piano and will perform a selection of choral pieces including music by Mendelssohn, Verdi, Chilcott and Rutter.

First Communion Ceremonies

We look forward to seeing the children of our schools make their First Communion on Saturday next, 17 May 2025. May God bless them and their families.

Collection for Mothers & Babies

Next weekend, 17 / 18 May, there will be a collection for mothers and babies in need in the Limerick area before and after each Mass. Items urgently needed include nappies (newborn to size 4), baby wipes, creams, baby shampoo, lotion, powder, baby bottles, soothers, muslin cloths, basket sheets, breastmilk storage bags, etc.. Contact: Philip Norden on 086 154 2832.

Trócaire Lenten Appeal

If you have not already returned your contribution for the Annual Lenten Appeal, please do so as soon as possible.

You may use the envelope provided by Trócaire or the one included in your box of Weekly Envelopes.

Parish Pastoral Council

The purpose of the Parish Council, which is a consultative body, is to provide the opportunity whereby the laity, religious and clergy, as God's people, meet to share the responsibility of the whole parish and of the whole community by:

- discerning the needs of the parish and community;
- co-ordinating the activities of the parish organisations;
- endeavouring to involve the whole of the parish in the work of the church in response to present and future needs;
- fostering a sense of community in the parish;
- being a vehicle for communication within the parish;
- evaluating projects.

The parish council meets once a month in the Parish Centre. Membership of the Parish Council is open to all parishioners aged over 16 years. If you wish to be considered for election as a member of the Parish Council, please give your name and contact details to Margaret in the Sacristy.

Annual General Meeting

The AGM of the Parish Council will take place on Tuesday 27 May in the Parish Centre. All parishioners are invited to attend. If a parishioner has a motion that they wish to put forward at the AGM, please submit it in writing to the Secretary of the Parish Council and leave in the Sacristy by Sunday next, 18 May 2025.

Special Collections

We had an error here last weekend. The special collection this weekend is for the Ongoing Formation of Priests; next weekend, 17 / 18 May, for Diocesan Needs, as on your envelopes. Please put your donations in the baskets.

Mass Intentions

Sat 10 May	18:00	Patrick Carney (MM); Frank Dunworth (MM); Tom Costello (A); Sr. Seraphina Costello (A); Michael & Margaret Shearin (A)
Sun 11 May	10:00	Eileen O'Dea (A); Elizabeth Mahony (A)
	11:30	Frances Gavin (A); Michael Dee (A); Thomas Gough (A)
Mon 12 May	10:00	Pro Popolo
Tue 13 & Wed 14		Mass at 10:00
Thur 15 & Fri 16		Mass at 10:00
Sat 17 May	18:00	Marge Tobin (MM); Michael Murray (MM); Fergus Maher (A)
Sun 18 May	10:00	
	11:30	Claireann (Minogue) Daly (2 nd A)