

**Our Lady of the Rosary
Parish Limerick**

**Sixth Sunday
in Ordinary Time**



**Parish Newsletter
15 February 2026**

PLEASE TAKE & READ

Ash Wednesday & Lent

On Wednesday next, 18 February, we begin the Season of Lent with our observance of Ash Wednesday. Traditionally marked by prayer and fasting, Lent is a time of preparation for Easter and of reflection upon the Resurrection. **Mass on Wednesday at 10:00 am.**

Having ashes blessed and applied to one's forehead is a long-standing tradition as a sign of our creation from dust and a symbol of penance. Ashes will be blessed and distributed at the 10:00 am Mass. Dry ashes will also be available for those who can take them to housebound parishioners. Just wet them at home before application to the forehead, saying these words.

Repent and be faithful to the Gospel.

Pope Francis: Lent comes providentially to awaken us, to shake us from our lethargy.

Mass Readings: If you wish to study the readings before or after Mass, they may be accessed from the parish website. See the heading on the homepage with links to readings of the day and readings of the next Sunday.

On Baptism: Baptism is not a rite of passage into a privileged club. It is the sacrament by which believers, bathed in living water, enter the Spirit-filled community that seeks to manifest the reign of God the Father as Jesus did. [from: Intercom; Feb 2026]

Lenten Talks Series

Fr. Joe Hayes SJ will lead six sessions of exploration of our Catholic faith on Tuesday evenings during Lent with the theme: The Best is yet to Come because?.

Venue: Parish Centre. Time: 7:30 to 8:30 pm. Dates: Tuesday 24 Feb to Tuesday 31 March. All are welcome.

Hospitality on Wednesdays

Do come along for tea / coffee and a chat with your neighbours in the Parish Centre after the 10:00 am Mass on Wednesday next 18 Feb and every Wednesday.

Stations of the Cross

Starting on Friday next, 20 February, and on each Friday during Lent, Br. James Dormer will lead a Way of the Cross after the 10:00 am Mass.

*We adore you, O Christ, and we praise you,
Because by your Holy Cross you have redeemed the world.*

Preparation for First Communion

This weekend, we are pleased to be joined by the children who are preparing for First Holy Communion and their families; JFK Boys on Saturday at 6:00 pm Mass; Salesian Girls on Sunday at 11:30 am Mass.

Trócaire Collection

Trócaire boxes will be available in the Church. Trócaire is the overseas development agency of the Catholic Church in Ireland. The Lenten Appeal through parishes is an important part of their annual fundraising.

Anam Cara & Bereavement Support

An Information Evening for bereaved parents, regardless of the age of their child, circumstances of their death, or time since bereavement. This event will take place **online on Tuesday 17 February** from 7:00 pm. For further details and to register, email info@anamcara.ie or call Anam Cara at 01 4045378.

Holy Hour for Vocations

The Holy Hours for Vocations, on Wednesdays from 7:00 to 8:00 pm, continue at St. John's Cathedral, Limerick. Parishioners from around the diocese are invited to join in prayer before Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament, asking Him to bless our diocese with vocations to the priesthood, religious life, and sacramental marriage. The next dates are : **18 February**, 18 March, 22 April, and 20 May, 2026.

Mass Intentions

Sat 14 Feb	18:00	Tony O'Sullivan (A); Mary Mulcahy (A); Thomas & Bridget Mulcahy (A)
Sun 15 Feb	10:00	Peter & Mary Frances McNamara (A)
	11:30	PJ Lowney (Bir Rem); Kay O'Farrell (MM); Sheila Healy (1 st A); Michael Herbert (A); Kitty O'Mahony (A); Donie & Eva Finucane (A); Seán & Kitty Penny (A); Celine Penny (A); Tom Beary (A); Frank Fortune (A)
Mon 16 Feb	10:00	Pro Popolo
Tues / Wed / Thurs		Mass at 10:00 am
Fri 20 Feb	10:00	Deceased members of the Egan family
Sat 21 Feb	18:00	Úna Flannery (A); Martin Griffin (A); Christopher O'Dwyer (A)
Sun 22 Feb	10:00	
	11:30	Gertrude & Thomas Begley (A); Doris Keane (A); Rita Keane (A); Aidan Larkin (A); Jim Burke (A); Bill & Ena Leonard (A)