

**Our Lady of the Rosary Parish  
Limerick**

**25<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**



**Parish Newsletter  
24<sup>th</sup> September 2023**

**PLEASE TAKE ONE**

**World Day of Migrants and Refugees**

Each year, the last Sunday of September is designated as a day to remember migrants and refugees. This year, for the 109<sup>th</sup> World Day of Migrants & Refugees on 24<sup>th</sup> September, Pope Francis has issued a message from which we have taken the following extracts:

“The flight of the Holy Family into Egypt was not the result of a free decision, nor were many of the migrations that marked the history of the people of Israel. The decision to migrate should always be free, yet in many cases, even in our day, it is not. Conflicts, natural disasters, or more simply the impossibility of living a dignified and prosperous life in one’s native land, is forcing millions of persons to leave.”

“Persecutions, wars, atmospheric phenomena and dire poverty are among the most visible causes of forced migrations today. Migrants flee because of poverty, fear or desperation. Eliminating these causes and thus putting an end to forced migration calls for shared commitment on the part of all, in accordance with the responsibilities of each.”

“This commitment begins with asking what we can do, but also what we need to stop doing. We need to make every effort to halt the arms race, economic colonialism, the plundering of other people’s resources and the devastation of our common home.”

“Joint efforts are needed by individual countries and the international community to ensure that all enjoy the right not to be forced to emigrate, in other words, the chance to live in peace and with dignity in one’s own country.”

“In whatever place we decide to build our future, in the country of our birth or elsewhere, the important thing is that there always be a community ready to welcome, protect, promote and integrate everyone, without distinctions and without excluding anyone.”

[The full text of the Pope’s Message may be found at [www.vatican.va](http://www.vatican.va), the website of the Holy See.]

**Workshop on Positive Mental Health**

A workshop entitled: ‘Living a Happy and Contented Life’ will be held on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> October from 7:30 pm to 9:00 pm in the Limerick Diocesan Centre.

For parents, people in ministry, community leaders and others, this is to start a conversation on the importance of positive mental health and wellbeing in the family, the parish, and the wider community.

This workshop is organised with Grow and Jigsaw. It is part of the Pastoral Outreach Programme published by the Diocese of Limerick for Autumn 2023. No charge.

Register for a place at  
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/AutumnProgramme>

**Parish and Community Notes**

**Ministries & Groups:** Following our recent appeal, a number of retired Ministers of the Eucharist have offered to return to the active roster. We could use a few more.

Some of our groups have resumed activities or will do so shortly. Please come along to follow your interests with fellow parishioners and / or to help with organisation.

**St. Vincent de Paul Society:** The monthly collection for the local conference will be taken up after each Mass next weekend, 30<sup>th</sup> Sept. & 1<sup>st</sup> Oct. 2023.

As always, your contributions are put to good use in the community and your support is greatly appreciated.

**Support in Bereavement:** The Parish Bereavement Support Group will meet up with those who have been bereaved on the first Friday of each month at 10:30 am to offer support in a relaxed and friendly atmosphere.

The next meeting is on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> October in the Parish Centre. You are welcome to join us at any time.

**Yoga Classes:** Knee and Hip Yoga with Pamela will take place in the Parish Centre on Wednesdays at 3:00 pm. Contact Pamela on 087 9680 240.

**Feast & Memorial Days**

Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> Sept:	St. Finbarr, bishop of Cork
Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> Sept:	St. Cosmas & St. Damian, martyrs
Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> Sept:	St. Vincent de Paul, priest
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> Sept:	St. Lawrence Ruiz & companions; St. Wenceslaus, martyrs
Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> Sept:	St. Michael, St. Gabriel & St. Raphael, archangels
Saturday 30 <sup>th</sup> Sept:	St. Jerome, priest

**Mass Intentions**

Sat 23 <sup>rd</sup> Sept	18:00	Breda Carmody (A); Denis Traynor (1 <sup>st</sup> A); Patrick Moran (MM) & his daughter Carol
Sun 24 <sup>th</sup> Sept	10:00	Rose & Jim Hurley (A)
	11:30	Christopher & Noreen Lynch (A); Eithne & Tom Burke (A)
Mon 25 <sup>th</sup> Sept	10:00	Pro Popolo
Tue 26 <sup>th</sup> Sept	10:00	Nora Kelly (Rec Dec); Deceased members of Dee Family
Wed 27 <sup>th</sup> Sept	10:00	Sr. Benedict Kenny (A); Jim Kenny (A)
Thur 28 <sup>th</sup> Sept	10:00	
Fri 29 <sup>th</sup> Sept	10:00	Jack Cooney (A)
Sat 30 <sup>th</sup> Sept	18:00	
Sun 1 <sup>st</sup> Oct	10:00	Jim Condon (A)
	11:30	Jacqueline Gleeson (MM); Gerry Prendergast (A); Dermot Keyes (A)