

**Our Lady of the Rosary Parish
Limerick**



**Parish Newsletter
3 / 4 June 2023**

PLEASE TAKE ONE

REPORT FROM THE RECENT PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL AGM

The AGM of the Parish Council was held on 23 May and was well attended. The chairperson, Mary McEvoy, expressed her appreciation of the work and dedication of all the various voluntary groups within the parish. All groups are in need of more volunteers. We all have talents we can share and volunteering as we know is very good for our wellbeing. She outlined the work done over the past year by the Parish Council, including meeting the First Holy Communion children and investigating the replacement of the Annunciation sculptures. She thanked all members of the Parish Council for their dedication and hard work during the past year.

Fr. McAuliffe, in his president's address, spoke about the census carried out by the diocese in all churches. It showed that on average 500 people attend Mass in person in Our Lady of the Rosary each weekend. He said this core group keeps the Parish financed in terms of the maintenance and upkeep of the church building and administration etc. He informed the meeting that the Church is to be painted over the coming months. He gave a short run down on the finances: Income €182,000; Expenditure €108,000. He also thanked all those who volunteer in our Parish.

There was wide ranging discussion which included: The return of the Funday which Fr. McAuliffe said could be part of our 60 year celebration in 2024; the return of the monthly family Mass; John Paul Awards for young people; Singing hymns that are known to all the congregation; Registration of parishioners; Handing out of Mass Booklets; Holding a Parish mission; The schools attending Mass on a regular basis.

The Parish Council intend to look at these suggestions when it returns in September

It was noted that children are going to the bathroom unaccompanied during Mass; this is contrary to the Child Protection Guidelines. Notices are to be put up in the church. All Parish Council Members have opted to remain on the Council. There were no nominations for new members.

Fr. McAuliffe and Mary thanked everybody for their attendance and positive contribution at the AGM.

On behalf of the Parish Council and the Parishioners I would like to thank Fr. McAuliffe and Fr. Ryan for their hard work and dedication to us and to our Parish.

LEAVING AND JUNIOR CERTIFICATE STUDENTS:

Very best wishes to all our students as they begin their state exams this week.

STUDENT PRAYER

Lord you are my friend and you are with me today and always.
You have blessed my life with many gifts and talents.
As the exams approach I feel nervous so I pray for your peace. Calm my mind so that I can think clearly and write down what I know
Help me to remember what I have learned and to do my best.
Lord your loving presence surrounds me.
Help me to trust that you will guide me. .Amen

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

The monthly collection for the local conference will be taken up after each Mass this weekend, 3 / 4 June 2023. As always, your contributions are put to good use in the community and your support is greatly appreciated.

GLENSTAL ONE-DAY SUMMER RETREAT

Wednesday/Thursday 28/29 June

Relax, reflect, pray and enjoy the company of others in the peaceful and beautiful surrounds of Glenstal Abbey. The day begins at 10am with tea/coffee at registration. It will include talks, Mass, lunch, Holy Hour with the option of Confession, and afternoon tea. The retreat day ends at 5pm but all are welcome to remain for Vespers at 6pm. Cost €50. To book, call Reception (061 621005) or email: events@glenstal.com

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 3rd	18:00	James and Patricia Irwin (A)
Sun 4th	10:00	
	11:30	Jerry McCabe (A)
Mon 5th	10:00	Pro Popolo
Tues 6th	10:00	Mary & Joe Hartnell (A)
Wed 7th	10:00	Bill & Ena Leonard (A)
Thurs 8th	10:00	
Fri 9th	10:00	George O'Mahony (A)
Sat 10th	18:00	Áine Costelloe (A)
Sun 11th	10:00	
	11:30	Michael Ryan (A) Jimmy & Peggy McCarthy (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:

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

Adoration: First Friday 10:30 to 11:30
except when there is a funeral

Parish Website:

www.ourladyoftherosaryparishlimerick.ie

Parish Clerk:

Margaret Clifford at Church Sacristy
tel - 061 325 288

Office Hours: Mon - Fri 09:00 to 09:45
& Sunday from 09:00 to 12:30

Church Open for Private Prayer:

Mon – Sat from 09:30 to 15:00