

# NEWSLETTER FOR PASTORAL UNIT 1



## St Nicholas Parish

### Mass Time

Sunday 10.00am

### Parish Live Streaming of Masses

from St Nicholas Church; log onto

<https://www.churchservices.tv/limerickstnicholas>

or via the parish website; [www.saintnicholasparish.ie](http://www.saintnicholasparish.ie)



## St Mary's Parish

### Mass Times

Saturday Vigil 5.00pm Sunday 11.30am

Monday to Friday Morning Mass 10.00am

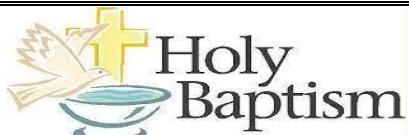
### Parish Live Streaming of Masses

from St Mary's Church; log onto

<https://www.churchservices.tv/limerickstmarys>

*Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> & Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2026*

**Clergy Contact** Fr Richie Davern 0872977500  
**Salesian Sisters** 061-348510



Baptisms are held in St Nicholas Church on the last Saturday in the month.

Baptisms are held in St Mary's Church on the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday in the month at 4pm

*Contact the Parish Office for more information and a Baptism Enrolment form.*



### St Nicholas Parish Office

Open Monday & Thursday 9.30am -1.30pm  
Email: [saintnicholasparishoffice@gmail.com](mailto:saintnicholasparishoffice@gmail.com)

Phone: 061-341300

### St Mary's Parish Office

Open Wednesday & Friday 10.30am-1.00pm

Email: [stmarysparishlk@outlook.com](mailto:stmarysparishlk@outlook.com)

Phone: 061-416300

You can contact the office if you wish to book a mass, order a cert or leave in your offerings to support your church. With Sympathy Mass cards & Mass Bouquet cards are also available from the Parish Office

### PARISH FACEBOOK:

[www.facebook.com/Saintnicholasparish/](https://www.facebook.com/Saintnicholasparish/)  
[www.facebook.com/p/St-Marys-Catholic-Parish-Limerick](https://www.facebook.com/p/St-Marys-Catholic-Parish-Limerick)

## Parish News

We encourage local groups in the area to avail of the Weekly Newsletter to promote upcoming events

To include your notice, please send details for both parishes to [saintnicholasparishoffice@gmail.com](mailto:saintnicholasparishoffice@gmail.com) with NEWSLETTER in the heading

**Our Newsletter is printed every Thursday at 12noon.**

**Items received after this time will not be included**

Information and Support for Birth Mothers whose babies were placed for adoption may be found at [www.birthinfo.ie](http://www.birthinfo.ie) or by calling TUSLA at +353818445500



We extend our sympathy to their families, and pray for the repose of the souls of

Brid Clancy R.I.P.

Sr. Patricia O'Neill R.I.P.

Lillian Quirke R.I.P.

Ann Campbell R.I.P.

Marian O'Connell R.I.P.

Gerard Liddy R.I.P.

Dawn Hogan R.I.P.

*May they rest in eternal peace, Amen*

### Mass Intentions St Mary's Church

#### Saturday 5.00pm

Dominic Moloney (1<sup>st</sup> Anniv)

Pearl Walsh (1<sup>st</sup> Anniv)

Christy Hannon (5<sup>th</sup> Anniv)

Catherine O'Farrell (7<sup>th</sup> Anniv)

Catherine Buckley (9<sup>th</sup> Anniv)

John Cross (11<sup>th</sup> Anniv)

Lily (Elizabeth) Airey (19<sup>th</sup> Anniv)

John Liston (20<sup>th</sup> Anniv)

Michael Noel Ryan (Anniv)

#### Sunday 11.30am

Pauline Purcell (2<sup>nd</sup> Anniv)

John Cross (11<sup>th</sup> Anniv)

Eddie O'Brien (12<sup>th</sup> Anniv & Birthday Remb.)

Madge McNamara (Anniv)

John Flynn (Anniv)

John Cox (Birthday Remb.)

Michael Noel Ryan (Anniv)

### Mass Intentions St Nicholas Church

#### Sunday 10.00am

Paddy Reid (10<sup>th</sup> Anniv)

Michael Noel Ryan (Anniv)

Nancy Ruschitzko (Anniv)

### Prayer for the sick:

Let us continue to pray for those who are ill at this time, those who are preparing for and awaiting results of tests and those in hospital. Lord Jesus, you are the true friend of all those who suffer anguish and pain in spirit, mind or body. Please share with them now the gift of your consoling love.

### Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus,  
I believe that you are present in the most  
Blessed Sacrament.

I love you above all things,  
and I desire to receive you into my soul.  
Since I cannot at this moment receive you  
sacramentally,  
come at least spiritually into my heart.  
I embrace you as if you were already there  
and unite myself wholly to you.  
Never permit me to be separated from you.  
Amen.

**Live Streaming of ceremonies from St Mary's Church & from St Nicholas Church.** This means your image will be broadcast live during a Mass service when you are near the Sanctuary and in particular if you sit in the front rows.

**Parish Pastoral Council** meet on a monthly basis. If you would like to raise any issues or suggestions at a meeting, please send by email to the relevant PC;

St Nicholas Parish Pastoral Council email:

[ppcstnicholas@gmail.com](mailto:ppcstnicholas@gmail.com)

St Mary's Parish Pastoral Council email;

[stmarysparishlk@outlook.com](mailto:stmarysparishlk@outlook.com)



**Last weekend's collection 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> January amounted to;  
€1473 in St Mary's Church and  
€665 in St Nicholas Church**

We are very thankful for your continued generosity, and grateful for your loyalty and support.

**Weekly Envelope Box for 2026:** We thank all who give to the Parish in whatever way that suits, donation to the basket, by standing order and by Envelope (which has a unique number assigned to you). We encourage you, if you don't already do so, to consider donating through the Envelope System as the Parish can receive tax refunds if your yearly contribution exceeds €250. The Envelope system is used to log your donation and provide a yearend total. Anyone who wishes to join the Envelope System should contact the Parish Office.

**CHRISTMAS DUES ENVELOPE** We wish to acknowledge and thank all who have returned their Christmas Dues Envelope which is for the support of our clergy. Your support is very much appreciated.

**Diocesan Needs Collection** will be held next weekend. This collection is forwarded to the Diocesan Office and used to fund central support services to parishes of our Diocese.

**Making a donation to the church by bank transfer**

**St Mary's Church Account**

IBAN: IE11 AIBK 9352 4794 4621 73 BIC: AIBKIE2D

**St Nicholas Church Account**

IBAN: IE84 BOFI 9045 9525 8744 17 BIC: BOFIIE2D

**St. Nicholas Parish Meditation Group**

We invite you to join us

for 20 minutes of quiet meditation  
every Tuesday in St. Nicholas' prayer room.

10.45am - 11.15am.

"Be still and you will know...."



**ADORATION OF  
THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**

St Mary's Church

Wednesday 10.30am-11.30am (after Mass)

**St. Nicholas Flame of Love Cenacle**

Tuesday 7.00-8.30pm St Nicholas Prayer Chapel  
New members welcome, under 18's cannot be  
facilitated until further notice. For more information;  
[www.flameoflove.ie](http://www.flameoflove.ie) or call Rachel 0857536504.

## DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 2026

The pilgrimage will be led by our bishop, Most Reverend Brendan Leahy. There will be two departure dates on 18th and 19th June, giving the option for a 5- or 6-night stay. The cost will be from €995 per person sharing with direct return flights from Shannon to Lourdes and airport transfers and assistance in Lourdes, 5- or 6-nights' hotel accommodation depending on chosen departure date with full board: breakfast, lunch and dinner each day, Airport taxes 20kg check-in luggage, Full services of Joe Walsh Tours representatives throughout the pilgrimage, Full religious programme facilitated in conjunction with the Diocese of Limerick.

For information and to book, please contact the Lourdes Pilgrimage Office: Telephone: - (061) 350 000 Email: [Lourdespilgrimage@limerickdiocese.org](mailto:Lourdespilgrimage@limerickdiocese.org)  
This is a very popular pilgrimage and books out fast.

**AnamCara**

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> January 7pm

### Online Bereavement Information Evening

Dr. Róisín Finnegan will be our guest speaker this month. Dr. Finnegan is a Chartered Clinical Psychologist currently working in Cancer Care West with individuals affected by cancer and loss. This talk will focus on understanding grief after the death of a child, the many ways it can show up over time, and how parents can be supported in living alongside their loss. It will also touch on the impact of loss within the family, including siblings, and offers gentle ways of coping when emotions feel overwhelming.

Parents are also invited to register via this link:

[Register here for Online Bereavement Information Evening](#)

Have you ever dreamed of walking the Camino de Santiago? **Breakthrough Cancer Research** are taking on the final 100KM of the 'French Way', Sarria to Santiago from the 13th - 20th of April 2026 and would love for you to join them. Many people choose to walk the Camino with **Breakthrough Cancer Research** for deeply personal reasons. Some take part to honour a loved one, others to fulfil a bucket-list dream, and many simply wish to share a meaningful experience with a friend or partner - all while helping to raise vital, life-saving funds for cancer research. Starting in the charming town of Sarria, experience camaraderie and reflection as you walk toward Santiago de Compostela, creating lasting memories on this historic pilgrimage. For more information, please contact

Edel, [edel@breakcancer.ie](mailto:edel@breakcancer.ie) or phone 021 422 66 55 for more details.

Here is some information about Breakthrough Cancer Research: Breakthrough Cancer Research is the leading cancer research charity in Ireland, supporting more than 200 researchers at 13 institutions across the Island. We focus our research on developing new diagnostics and better treatments for poor prognosis and currently incurable cancers. In 2023, we launched a brand-new All Ireland Cancer Network (AllCaN) which brought together all of the stakeholders in oesophageal cancer for a €1M collaborative project to significantly improve the survival rates of people diagnosed with this cancer. The second AllCaN will focus on Pancreatic cancer and will imminently. Your support will help accelerate our research of these and other difficult to treat cancers such as lung, brain, liver, stomach and ovarian.