

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



St Mary's Parish

Mass Times

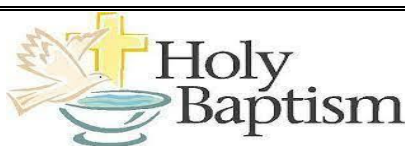
Saturday Vigil 5.00pm Sunday 11.30am
Monday to Friday Morning Mass 10.00am

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Saturday 10th & Sunday 11th 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 1st & 3rd 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
Phone: 061-341300

St Mary's Parish Office

Open Wednesday & Friday 10.30am-1.00pm
Email: 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/
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 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 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 (1st Anniv)
Pearl Walsh (1st Anniv)
Christy Hannon (5th Anniv)
Catherine O'Farrell (7th Anniv)
Catherine Buckley (9th Anniv)
John Cross (11th Anniv)
Lily (Elizabeth) Airey (19th Anniv)
John Liston (20th Anniv)
Michael Noel Ryan (Anniv)

Sunday 11.30am

Pauline Purcell (2nd Anniv)
John Cross (11th Anniv)
Eddie O'Brien (12th 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 (10th 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
St Mary's Parish Pastoral Council email;
stmarysparishlk@outlook.com

 **Weekly Offering**
Last weekend's collection 3rd & 4th 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 year-end 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: BOFIE2D


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 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
This is a very popular pilgrimage and books out fast.

 **Anam Cara** Thursday 22nd 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 Ediel, ediel@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.