



## St. Joseph's Church O'Connell Avenue, Limerick Church Notices, Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> August 2025

### Twentieth Week in Ordinary Time

### Mass Times and Intentions

Day	Time	Name
Sun. Aug. 17 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	The Gould family; Winifred McNamara (7 <sup>th</sup> anniversary)
	12.30pm	Danny O'Regan (14 <sup>th</sup> anniversary); Florrie Frost (8 <sup>th</sup> anniversary); Marie Daly (11 <sup>th</sup> anniversary); The Gould family
Mon. Aug. 18 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Patrick Scanlon (anniversary)
Tue. Aug. 19 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Intention of Clergy
Wed. Aug. 20 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Marie Costelloe (4 <sup>th</sup> anniversary)
Thur. Aug. 21 <sup>st</sup>	10.30am	Intention of Clergy
Fri. Aug. 22 <sup>nd</sup>	10.30am	Intention of Clergy
Sat. Aug. 23 <sup>rd</sup>	10.30am	Colette Holmes (2 <sup>nd</sup> anniversary); Michael Molloy Snr. (45 <sup>th</sup> anniversary) & Michael Molloy Jnr. (58 <sup>th</sup> anniversary)
Sun. Aug. 24 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Ann Kennedy (month's mind)
	12.30pm	P.J. Garvey (4 <sup>th</sup> anniversary); Mary Butler (1 <sup>st</sup> anniversary)

### Vacancy for Director of Safeguarding

Limerick Diocese invites applications for the position of Director of Safeguarding. The Diocese of Limerick is a Catholic community of sixty parishes living and working together in service of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Its geographical area comprises the greater part of County Limerick, part of County Clare and one townland in County Kerry. Services include the co-ordination and support of ministry, pastoral supports, youth ministry, school advisory services and safeguarding across the Diocese. Based in the Limerick Diocesan Centre, the key responsibility of this half-time role is to ensure that Safeguarding practices are of the highest standard and proactively contribute to the overall development of the Diocese. Full details relating to the vacancy can be found on the Diocesan website at: <https://www.limerickdiocese.org/news/director-of-safeguarding/>

### ACCORD MARRIAGE PREPARATION PROGRAMME

a two-day session has been arranged for the South Court Hotel, Raheen, Limerick V94 E77X on **Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> August** (from 7 to 10pm) and on **Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> August** (from 9am to 4pm). Bookings can be made online at [www.accord.ie](http://www.accord.ie)

### ACN PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK

Papal charity *Aid to the Church in Need: Ireland* invites people to join their national pilgrimage to Knock Shrine on **Saturday August 30** to highlight the plight of Christians who suffer persecution for their faith in many parts of the world. Mass is in the basilica at 3pm. All welcome. For more info, see [www.acnireland.org](http://www.acnireland.org) | 01 837 7516

*In everything give thanks* [Thessalonians 5:16]

### THE KNIGHTS OF SAINT COLUMBANUS ANNUAL MEN'S RETREAT

The Knights of Saint Columbanus Limerick council will host their annual men's retreat on **Saturday, September 20<sup>th</sup>, 2025**, from 10 am to 5pm. The theme of the retreat is: "Jesus, I trust in you - The starting point for spiritual growth". The retreat is being facilitated by Fr. Joseph Hayes, SJ, and the venue is the diocesan centre, Saint Munchins College, Corbally. Lunch will be provided, and the donation for the day is €20. Further information can be had by calling Declan at **087 618 7586** or Gerry at **087 410 6025**.

### LITURGICAL MUSIC WORKSHOP AT DOMINICAN CHURCH, TRALEE

Liturgical Music Workshop taking place on the 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> of September at Holy Cross Dominican Church, Tralee, with lectures held in the nearby Brandon Hotel. The Cost is €50 per person. This two-day event, presented by Fr Łukasz Miśko OP, President of the Dominican Liturgical Centre in Poland, will be a special opportunity to explore and rediscover the richness of the Catholic faith through the timeless beauty of sacred music. Whether participants are seasoned singers or complete beginners, all are very welcome to attend. The workshop aims to deepen participants' appreciation of liturgical music and offer practical tools to enhance parish worship through sung prayer. The organisers would be delighted to have singers from widespread parishes. It would be a joy to have representation from surrounding parishes and to sing together as one body in Christ.

For more information or to register, please contact us at 089 9434791 or [domschoirtralee@gmail.com](mailto:domschoirtralee@gmail.com)

### POPE LEO XIV ON X

**Aug 13:** Faith does not spare us from the possibility of sin, but it always offers us a way out of it, which is the way of mercy. #GeneralAudience

**Aug 15:** Mary, whom the Risen Christ took with Him body and soul into glory, shines as an icon of hope for her children on our pilgrimage across history.

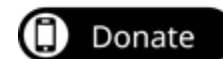
**Aug 15:** Mary's song, the Magnificat, strengthens the hope of the humble, those who hunger, God's hard-working servants. Those who bear witness to tenderness and forgiveness in places of conflict, and all peacemakers who build bridges in a broken world, are the joy of the Church. They are her permanent fruitfulness, the first fruits of the Kingdom to come. #GospelOfTheDay (Lk 1:39-56)

**Aug 15:** As we journey, especially when clouds gather and the road becomes uncertain and difficult, let us lift up our eyes and gaze upon our Blessed Mother, so that we may discover the hope that does not disappoint (cf. Rom 5:5).

**Aug 15:** Today we wish to entrust our prayer for peace to the intercession of the Virgin Mary, assumed into heaven. As a Mother, she suffers for the evils that afflict her children, especially the little ones and the weak.

**Accept what IS, let go of what WAS, and have faith in what WILL BE**

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