



St. Joseph's Church
O'Connell Avenue, Limerick
Church Notices 24th December 2023

Christmas Week

Mass Times and Intentions

Day	Time	Name
Sun. Dec. 24 th	10.30am	Richard O'Hanrahan (4 th anniversary); Liam O'Doherty (anniversary); Mary Malone (39 th anniversary); Kathleen Ryan (anniversary); Patricia, Sean & Gemma Deegan; Ann Stephenson (av.), Mary Williams (av.) & Marie Costelloe; Derry Healy (av.) &, Roger, Frances & Noel Healy, & Frances Hanley
	12.30pm	Kathleen Ryan (anniversary); The Griffin & Fitzgerald family (Christmas remembrance); John & Esther Galvin, & Con Galvin; Robert Mulrooney (7 th anniversary)
	5.30pm	No 5.30pm Sunday Mass
Christmas Eve	7.00pm	Mass for Christmas Vigil / Oíche Nollag
Mon. Dec. 25th	10.30am	Christmas Day / Lá Nollag
	12.30pm	
Tue. Dec. 26 th	10.30am	William Brennan
Wed. Dec. 27 th	10.30am	pro populo
Thur. Dec. 28 th	10.30am	Paddy Horan (2 nd anniversary); Noel O'Halloran (4 th anniversary)
Fri. Dec. 29 th	10.30am	Noel O'Halloran (birthday remembrance); Anne & Dan Delaney (anniversaries); Catherine McNamara (8 th anniversary)
Sat. Dec. 30 th	10.30am	Joe Troy (8 th anniversary); Margie Galvin (6 th anniversary)
Sun. Dec. 31 st	10.30am	Intentions of clergy
	12.30pm	Cyril & Jackie Frawley (died recently)
	5.30pm	Intentions of clergy

RECENTLY DECEASED

We extend our sympathy to their families and pray for the repose of the soul of **Margaret Cronin (nee Walsh)**, Mayorstone and formerly of Emmet Place whose Requiem Mass was celebrated here on last Thursday 21st December and **Gerry Moore** (The Fox), St. Joseph's Street whose Requiem Mass was celebrated here on last Friday, 22nd December. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen

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Christmas Greeting

Dear Parishioners,

I would like to wish you a joyous and blessed celebration of **Christmas**. May the many gatherings with family and friends during this holy season bring much joy and cheer to you in these dark and cold days. May the Baby Jesus bring you much spiritual blessing to your homes and hearts. I want to thank sincerely the many volunteers who keep our parish running throughout the year whether during the liturgies or all the hidden work behind the scenes. May the Lord reward you for your service to our parish community.

I want to especially thank all those who contribute to the running of the parish and all the support for the diocese and the priests through the mass collections. Thanks also to Patricia Quirke our parish secretary for all her work. Thank you to Canon Donough and Fr. Oliver for their support and presence. Thank you to Mike McLoughlin our caretaker.

Thank you to our Pastoral Council, Finance Committee, Readers, Eucharistic Ministers, Choirs and those who deliver our envelopes. Thank you to Joanna & Gabriele who keep our church so beautiful each week. Thank you to all who helped decorate the church for Christmas and help throughout the year. A special mention to Carmel and Rosemarie for the beautiful flowers for the Christmas season and indeed the whole year round. I also want to thank our schools, their principals and teachers, particularly those who do so much to prepare the children for the sacraments. Particular thanks to our Parish Hall Committee who take care of the many groups and events that we are able to host in our hall.

I'm always touched by the humble and faithful support week-in and week-out that is received into the parish. Sincere thanks to Úna McCarthy and her family for their service, dedication, support and sacrifice that they give to St. Joseph's Parish.

Finally, I would like to share with you a thought on the Crib scene that we contemplate at this time of year. ***"You and I are the innkeeper, will I have room in my heart for the baby Jesus?"***

A Blessed Christmas to you all.

Fr Liam Enright