



St. Joseph's Church
O'Connell Avenue, Limerick
Church Notices 8th October 2023

Twenty-seventh Week in Ordinary Time **Mass Times and Intentions**

Day	Time	Name
Sun. Oct. 8 th	10.30am	Dermot Lyne (9 th anniversary.); Adrian Noonan (month's mind); Frank & Jim Imbusch; Michael Manning
	12.30pm	Margaret Robinson (month's mind)
	5.30pm	Michael Kennedy (month's mind)
	Pray for:	
Mon. Oct. 9 th	10.30am	Intentions of Clergy
Tue. Oct. 10 th	10.30am	pro populo
Wed. Oct. 11 th	10.30am	Brendan Newman (month's mind)
Thur. Oct. 12 th	10.30am	Tom Griffin (birthday remembrance)
Fri. Oct. 13 th	10.30am	Intentions of Clergy
Sat. Oct. 14 th	10.30am	Michael Woodland (birthday remembrance)
Sun. Oct. 15 th	10.30am	Nancy Gaynor (7 th anniversary); Charlie Hanrahan (14 th anniversary)
	12.30pm	Margaret Richardson (8 th anniversary); Thomas O'Hagan (10 th anniversary); Liam O'Doherty (3 rd anniversary)
	5.30pm	Jim & Kathleen Brosnahan (anniversaries)

WHY IS OCTOBER THE MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY?

This is associated with the **Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary** which we celebrate on **7th October**. This feast was instituted by Pope Pius V to celebrate the miraculous victory of Christian naval forces against the Islamic Ottoman fleet in the **Battle of Lepanto on 7th October 1571**. It is said that this was the largest naval battle in Western history. Relying not only upon military might, Pope Pius V urged the faithful in Europe to pray the rosary. Just two years before this, the same Pope had approved the rosary in its present form. After the miraculous victory, Pope Pius V attributed it to the power of the rosary, so the feast also became known as the feast of **Our Lady of Victory**. In 1884, Pope Leo XIII officially declared October to be the **month of the rosary** through his encyclical *Superiore Anno*: "We have therefore resolved that in this...month of **October**, in which the sacred devotions to **Our Virgin Lady of the Rosary** are solemnised throughout the Catholic world..."
[Extracted from an article by **Jocelyn Soriano** on the webpage: [https://www.patheos.com/blogs/beloved/2023/10/why-is-october-the-month-of-the-holy-rosary/...](https://www.patheos.com/blogs/beloved/2023/10/why-is-october-the-month-of-the-holy-rosary/)]

DIOCESAN FACEBOOK POST

It isn't the mountains ahead to climb that wear you out; it's the pebble in your shoe.
 - Mumammad Ali

URGENT APPEAL FROM AVISTA

Would you like to share your home and your heart with a child with disabilities? Homesharing is a respite service which facilitates children with disabilities going to the home of a carer for short breaks. This could be for a day, a night or even a few hours depending on your availability. Experience of caring in any capacity is not essential, Training and Support is provided along with an allowance which is Tax Free. If you are interested, have a look at the AVISTA web page <https://avista.ie/how-to-get-involved/homeshare-midwest> For more information on becoming a host carer, please contact Catherine O'Sullivan, Have-a-Break Coordinator Avista, formerly Daughters of Charity Lisnagry, on 087-4132888 or (061)501438 or email catherine.osullivan@avistaclg.ie You might also like to check out the web page <https://avista.ie/how-to-get-involved/homeshare-midwest> to see videos and testimonials from those already involved for many years.
 [AVISTA began as the **Daughters of Charity Disability Support Services** as founded by The Company of the Daughters of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul.]

DIOCESAN LITURGY DAY

The Liturgy Day will be on **Saturday 11th November** in St Munchin's College. The day will begin at 11am and finish with Mass at 5:30pm. A light lunch will be provided.
Keynote Address: Synodality as a Fundamental Aspect of Christian Liturgy by Prof Thomas O'Loughlin who is Professor Emeritus of Historical Theology at the University of Nottingham and Director of Studia Traditionis Theologiae and Brepols Library of Christian Sources. There will be **Four Parallel Workshops** (each workshop will run twice so everyone can attend two workshops; parishes may wish to send a number of parishioners so all workshops can be availed of). ► **'A Time to be Creative; Liturgy and the Recovery of a Sacred Playfulness'** led by Mossy Hynan ► **Revitalising Liturgical Music in Our Parishes** led by Ríona Ní Churtáin ► **Children's Liturgy through Godly Play** led by Sharon Collopy ► 'Praying with Young People Workshop' led by Gráinne Delaney.
Cost for the day: €25 including lunch and materials. Registration is essential, please register your place and choose your workshops at:
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/DiocesanLiturgyDay>

IRISH NIGHT IN ARDAGH COMMUNITY HALL on Friday 13th October at 8pm, featuring Donie Nolan & Friends, Ardagh Comhaltas and many more. All are welcome. Adult €10 Children €5. Raffle with Spot Prizes on the night. Refreshments available.

TWEET FROM POPE FRANCIS. Oct 4: Saint #FrancisofAssisi, in a time of great struggles and divisions, did not criticize or lash out at anyone. He took up solely the weapons of the Gospel: humility and unity, prayer and charity. Let us do the same!



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