



**St. Joseph's Church**  
**O'Connell Avenue, Limerick**  
**Church Notices 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2023**

**First Week of Advent**

**Mass Times and Intentions**

Day	Time	Name
Sun. Dec. 3 <sup>rd</sup>	10.30am	David McDonagh (anniversary)
	12.30pm	GianCarlo Sala (7 <sup>th</sup> av.); Andrew Hickey (17 <sup>th</sup> av.); Gerard Duhan (7 <sup>th</sup> av.); Emmie Geary & Thomas Geary (av.), & Phil O'Doherty (av.); Michael Lee (av.) & his daughter Madeline; Anne McNamara & all deceased members of the McNamara family & also remembering her brother Ben & sister Angela Keogh (both living); Caroline Russell (8 <sup>th</sup> av.), Mary & Paddy Russell, Ross Cooney & Liam Coughlan; Declan O'Reilly (1 <sup>st</sup> av.) & Alan Walsh (recently deceased + birthday remembrance)
	5.30pm	Jimmy Cullinane (month's mind); Peter Quinn (birthday remembrance)
Mon. Dec. 4 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Aelish Forde—née McMahan (3 <sup>rd</sup> av.); Moira Glover—née Feeney (11 <sup>th</sup> av.) & remembering her late husband Ron Glover & all deceased members of the Feeney family, Rathbane
Tue. Dec. 5 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	William Brennan
Wed. Dec. 6 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Mai, Albert & Bryan Walsh (anniversaries)
Thur. Dec. 7 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Intentions of clergy
Fri. Dec. 8 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Mary (1 <sup>st</sup> av.) & Jim (14 <sup>th</sup> av.) Maher, & Tony O'Neill (3 <sup>rd</sup> av.) Phyllis O'Mahony (3 <sup>rd</sup> anniversary); Delia & Fred Hockedy
Sat. Dec. 9 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	pro populo
Sun. Dec. 10 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Phyllis O'Mahony (3 <sup>rd</sup> anniversary); Tom Lane (23 <sup>rd</sup> anniversary)
	12.30pm	Mary & Billy King (anniversaries); Hugh O'Brien (3 <sup>rd</sup> anniversary)
	5.30pm	Paschal Costelloe (10 <sup>th</sup> anniversary); Victor & Una Casserly; Deirdre & Diarmuid Long

**RECENTLY BAPTISED**

We welcome into our Christian Community: ► baby **Sadhbh Mary McHugh-O'Sullivan**, daughter of Sinéad and Brian ► baby **Katie Mary Theresè Enright**, daughter of Jennifer and Joseph We pray that the Holy Family watch over and guide them and all of those whom we welcome into this Christian community.

**Diocese of Limerick Facebook:** "Be the light that helps others see."

**CHRISTMAS CARDS**

**Specially prepared Christmas cards** featuring internal and external views of our church are available at €5 per pack of 6 assorted cards. Christmas Mass Bouquet cards are available at €5 per card.

**THE GLENSTAL ADVENT TALKS**

**These talks will be at 4.30pm on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> December in the Abbey Library** and will be followed by refreshments and the opportunity to attend sung Evening Prayer in the Abbey Church at 6pm. The eircode for the Abbey is V94 TK61 and there is a donation of €20. The talks will be available afterwards from the website as recordings.

**MARANATHA HEALING RETREAT**

**The retreat will take place today, Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> December in St Michael's Church, Denmark St.** and will begin at 2.45pm with beautiful hymns, songs of praise and worship, and sacred music. Holy Mass will be celebrated at 4.30 pm with veneration of relics of St Faustina, St Padre Pio and St Pope John Paul II. There will be a Christmas raffle after Mass. All are welcome.

**GROW (YOUR MENTAL HEALTH)**

Grow is a community of people drawn together by their first-hand experiences of mental health problems. Having found practical ways of helping each other recover from mental health challenges Grow has developed their proven *Twelve Step Programme*. Grow is for anyone experiencing mental health issues and would like to work with group peer support with recovery through community.

**Contact Celia at 086 1526966 and/or check out the website at [www.grow.ie](http://www.grow.ie)**

**THE POPE'S INTENTIONS FOR DECEMBER**

**For persons with disabilities:** We pray that people living with disabilities may be at the centre of attention in society, and that institutions may offer inclusive programs which value their active participation.

**POPE FRANCIS ON X (FORMERLY TWITTER)**

**@Pontifex Nov 29:** Let us ask the Holy Spirit to enlighten us so that we may be able to give an account of our faith and hope to today's world with words and, above all, with the testimony of our lives. #GeneralAudience

**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 the relevant section of TUSLA at **0818 445 500**



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