



**St. Joseph's Church, O'Connell
Avenue, Limerick**
Church Notices 24th October 2021

Sun 24th Oct
Mission Sunday

8.30am – John & Catherine Moynihan
10.30am- Gerry Ryan (Av)
12.30pm – Treasa O'Farrell (1st Av)
12.30pm – Gerard Ryan (Av)
12.30pm- Bridie Conway (Av)
12.30pm – Betty Smyth née Carmody (2nd Av)
12.30pm- Andrew Curtin (37th Birthday Remembrance)
12.30pm – Celine & Raymond Byrne

Mon 25th Oct **10.30am** – Martha Nash & Margaret Nash/Byrnes (Av's)
10.30am – Deceased members of the Walsh & Ahern Families

Tues 26th Oct **10.30am** – Rev. Fr. Maurice Leahy SJ

Wed 27th Oct **10.30am** – John O'Connell (2nd Av)

Thurs 28th Oct **10.30am** – Deceased Members of Eircom (Eir)

Fri 29th Oct **10.30am** – Deceased Members of the Hayes & McElligott Families

Sat 30th Oct **10.30am** – Oonagh Murphy (Rip)

Sun 31st Oct **8.30am** – Intention of Clergy

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12.30am – Niall Carey (1st Av)

12.30am- Kevin O'Brien (26th Av)

12.30pm – Marie Greensmith (1st Av) & her husband Henry (Av)

12.30pm – Patrick O'Brien (5th Av)

RECENT FUNERALS

As a parish community we offer our deepest sympathy to the family of Maura O'Donoghue nee Berry, late of Castlewell, SCR whose funeral took place on Monday last. We sympathise with the family of Catherine (Kitty) Leddin nee Higgins, late of Wolfe Tone Street, who was also laid to rest on Monday last. Our condolences we extend to the family of Denis Duggan, late of O'Curry Place. Denis' funeral took place on Saturday 23rd Oct. We pray for the happy repose of the soul of Annette Flood nee Moloney, late of Woodlawn Park, Ballysimon and formally of O'Curry Place who has died. Annette's funeral will take place on Monday 25th Oct. May they rest in Peace.

RECENT BAPTISMS

We offer our sincere congratulations and welcome into the Parish Community of Faith Baby Faye Margaret Moloney, daughter of Michelle & Billy. May the Lord watch over them always. May the Holy Family be their inspiration & guide.

As today is Mission Sunday we would kindly ask that you consider taking one of the envelopes at the back of the Church and return your donation in the coming week.

Thank you for your support

As you may be aware the restrictions in relation to church services have eased in line with HSE guidelines. We would ask that, as capacity in the church increases, parishioners and visitors would consider maintaining a sensible distance, in so much as one can, from each other. If you are feeling unwell, we would kindly ask that you follow the HSE guidelines and remain at home until you are back to good health. We must also ask that everyone who attends St. Joseph's Church must wear a mask until otherwise instructed. Thank you.

As we approach the beginning of November, we turn our thoughts and prayers to our loved ones who have died. Monday 1st November is the feast of All Saints. Mass will be celebrated at 10.30am. At the moment the evening mass for a feast day will not be celebrated until the New Year. Tuesday is All Souls' Day, mass will be at 10.30am

Disability Support Services

Have-a-Break is a Home Based 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 but can be beneficial. Training and Support is provided. Payment will also be provided depending of level of involvement. For more information please contact Catherine O'Sullivan, Have-a-Break Coordinator Daughters of Charity Lisnagry, on 087-4132888 or 061-501438 or email catherine.osullivan@lim-docservice.ie

REFLECTION FOR 30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The Sunday the Gospel says, "As Jesus was leaving Jericho with his disciples and a sizable crowd, Bartimaeus, a blind man, the son of Timaeus, sat by the roadside begging. On hearing that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to cry out and say, 'Jesus, son of David, have pity on me'"(Mark10:46-47).

How could we not pause and remark on the words: "On hearing that it was Jesus of Nazareth"? The blind man, the one who cannot see, responds in faith to what is heard. Elsewhere in Scripture, St. Paul says, "Faith comes from what is heard, and what is heard comes through the word of Christ" (Romans10:17).

St. Thomas Aquinas points out that hearing is twofold. He writes, "One is internal, by which one hears from God revealing...the other is that by which someone hears another man speaking in his presence." The blind made Bartimaeus possessed both senses of hearing. He heard on the surface level that Christ was there, but he also heard something deeper about Christ. It is from this internal sense that he cries out to the Lord for pity and healing. Like Bartimaeus, may we have both dimensions of hearing!

COVID-19 Support Line for Older People

ALONE manage a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to COVID-19. Professional staff is available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open seven days a week, 8am - 8pm, by calling 0818 222 024.

Contact Details: Fr. Liam Enright 087-7415603, Sacristan: Úna McCarthy 061-313401 *If you would like a notice included in the Parish Newsletter, please forward details to the Parish office no later than Wednesday 12 noon of any given week. Thank you*

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