



St. Joseph's Church

O'Connell Avenue, Limerick

Church Notices, Sunday 25th May 2025

Sixth Week of Easter

Mass Times and Intentions

Day	Time	Name
Sun. May 25 th	10.30am	Bobby Byrne (anniversary); Joe McCarthy (23 rd anniversary)
	12.30pm	Michael Boyce (9 th anniversary); Mary Burke (13 th anniversary)
Mon. May 26 th	10.30am	Intention of Clergy
Tue. May 27 th	10.30am	Intention of Clergy
Wed. May 28 th	10.30am	Intention of Clergy
Thur. May 29 th	10.30am	Intention of Clergy
Fri May 30 th	10.30am	Intention of Clergy
Sat. May 31 st	10.30am	Jim Gibbs (4 th anniversary)
Sun. Jun. 1 st	10.30am	Sr Clare Stapleton (1 st anniversary)
	12.30pm	Michael & Mary Mescall; Nancy McConn (3 rd anniversary); Margaret (Peggy) Mayne (4 th anniversary) & her husband Gerard Mayne (28 th anniversary)

CONFIRMATION

We offer our congratulations and blessings to the children of Scoil Mhathair Dé who received the Sacrament of Confirmation here on Friday last, May 24th, and to the children of Catherine McAuley school and of the REFD* group who received the Sacrament here yesterday, Saturday May 24th.
(*REFD: Religious Education & Faith Development)

RECENTLY DECEASED

We extend our sympathy to their families, and pray for the repose of the souls of **Mary Griffin (née Fitzgerald)**, O'Curry Place, whose Requiem Mass was celebrated here last Friday, May 23rd and **Rita Manning (née FitzGibbon)** South Circular Road, reposing here tomorrow Monday May 26th from 5pm to 6.30pm and her Requiem Mass will be celebrated here on Tuesday May 27th at 11.30am. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

LOVING THE TRINITY

Sixth Sunday of Easter (Year C) Jesus said to his disciples: "Whoever loves me will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our dwelling with him. Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; yet the word you hear is not mine but that of the Father who sent me." John 14:23-24

Today's Gospel gives us a glimpse into the glorious unity of God, but it goes further. It also reveals the desire in the Heart of God to come and dwell within us. If we love God and keep His Word, the Trinity will come to us and dwell within us. "Whoever loves me will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our dwelling with him." This invitation given to us to share in the unity of God is also a mystery too deep for words. (Extracted from: www.mycatholiclife.com)

LETTER OF THANKS FROM THE SPIRITANS

Dear Fr. Liam,

Greetings and good wishes to you. Sincere thanks for the warm welcome and kind hospitality to Fr. Michael Begley at the weekend. Fr. Michael enjoyed his visit to St. Joseph's Parish and meeting the warm welcoming people. The envelope collection amounted to **€959.30** for which we are most grateful.

We would like to thank the kind parishioners for their generous contributions and loyal support. Please convey our deep gratitude to them.

We would very much appreciate if you, at your convenience could remind the parishioners to return any envelopes and we will arrange collection in due course.

May God bless you and your parishioners.

Yours sincerely, (Fr.) David Conway, C.S.Sp.

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POPE LEO XIV (@Pontifex) ON X

May 24: Everyone can foster unity by overcoming inevitable misunderstandings with patience, humility, and even a good dose of humour, as Pope Francis taught us.

May 21: Let us ask the Lord for the grace to always welcome the seed of His Word. Should we realize that we are not fruitful soil, let us not be discouraged but instead ask Him to transform us into more fertile soil. #GeneralAudience

May 18: I was chosen, without any merit of my own. Now, with fear and trembling, I come to you as a brother, who desires to be the servant of your faith and joy, walking with you on the path of God's love, for He wants us all to be united in one family.

May 16: The Jubilee is a time of conversion and renewal, an opportunity to embark on a new path, animated by the hope that we can build a world in which everyone can lead an authentically human life in truth, justice and peace. <https://vatican.va/content/leo-xiv/en/speeches/2025/may/documents/20250516-corporo-diplomatico.html>

THE VISITATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

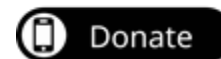
This feast falls on next Saturday 31 May, at the end of the month dedicated to Mary.

Mary set out and travelled to the hill country in haste to a town of Judah, where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the infant leaped in her womb, and Elizabeth, filled with the Holy Spirit, cried out in a loud voice and said, "Most blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb." (Lk. 1:39-42)

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee blessed art thou amongst women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

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