



St. Joseph's Church O'Connell Avenue, Limerick

Church Notices, Sunday 24th August 2025

Twenty-first Week in Ordinary Time

Mass Times and Intentions

Day	Time	Name
Sun. Aug. 24 th	10.30am	Ann Kennedy (month's mind)
	12.30pm	P.J. Garvey (4 th anniversary); Mary Bugler (1 st anniversary)
Mon. Aug. 25 th	10.30am	Intention of Clergy
Tue. Aug. 26 th	10.30am	Bridie Nash-Kennedy; Thomas Moynihan (anniversary)
Wed. Aug. 27 th	10.30am	Intention of Clergy
Thur. Aug. 28 th	10.30am	Canon Sydney Mac Ewan, Monsignor Mac Donald, Fr. Cletus & Monsignor Boyle
Fri. Aug. 29 th	10.30am	Intention of Clergy
Sat. Aug. 30 th	10.30am	Jo Stack (3 rd anniversary) & deceased relatives of Moylan & Stack families
Sun. Aug. 31 st	10.30am	Charles Irwin (18 th anniversary); Kevin Donnelly (anniversary)
	12.30pm	Ronnie Mayne (32 nd anniversary); Rosemarie Elliott (3 rd anniversary); Margarette Elliott (65 th anniversary); Daragh Ryan; Tony Burrows (month's mind)

RECENTLY DECEASED

We extend our sympathy to their families, and pray for the repose of the souls of **Charles (Charlie) Alta**, Summer Street, and late of Windmill Street whose Requiem Mass was celebrated here on Thursday last, 21st August, and **Patrick (Paddy) Keane**, Ballinacurra whose Requiem Mass was celebrated here, also on Thursday last, 21st August. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

ACN PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK

Papal charity *Aid to the Church in Need: Ireland* invites people to join their national pilgrimage to Knock Shrine on **Saturday August 30** to highlight the plight of Christians who suffer persecution for their faith in many parts of the world. Mass is in the basilica at 3pm. All welcome. For more info, see www.acnireland.org | 01 837 7516

THE KNIGHTS OF SAINT COLUMBANUS ANNUAL MEN'S RETREAT

The Knights of Saint Columbanus Limerick council will host their annual men's retreat on **Saturday, September 20th, 2025**, from 10 am to 5pm. The theme of the retreat is: "Jesus, I trust in you - The starting point for spiritual growth". The retreat is being facilitated by Fr. Joseph Hayes, SJ, and the venue is the diocesan centre, Saint Munchins College, Corbally. Lunch will be provided, and the donation for the day is €20. Further information can be had by calling Declan at **087 618 7586** or Gerry at **087 410 6025**.

Look back and thank God. Look forward and trust God.

ST SAVIOUR'S DOMINICAN CHURCH: AUTUMN FAITH FORMATION PROGRAMME

It's time for our new faith formation programs to begin again for this next academic year! And what a treat there is in store for all the family!

For children (aged 3–12) there is Catechesis of the Good Shepherd. Classes are offered each Tuesday at 3:30–5pm or every second Sunday at 11:30am–12:45pm. For more information on it visit: <https://stsaviourslimerick.ie/blog/catechesis-ages-3-12/>

For 5th and 6th Class students preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation, there is a Confirmation Club. This runs every second Sunday from 5–7pm in the parish hall. For more information on it visit: <https://stsaviourslimerick.ie/blog/confirmation-club/>

For teens (13–18 yrs), we have our Frassati Youth Club. This takes place in harmony with our Confirmation Club, the same second Sunday from 5–7pm. For more information on it, please visit: <https://stsaviourslimerick.ie/blog/youth-club/>

For Young Adults (18–35 yrs), we have Young Adult Theology sessions. This is an opportunity to study Spiritual Theology and the call to Christian Perfection. It takes place every first Wednesday from 7:30–9pm in the Little Flower Room. For more information on it, visit: <https://stsaviourslimerick.ie/young-adult-theology/>

For Adults, we have a Bible study on the 1st and 2nd Wednesday of each month between 7:30 and 8:30pm in the parish hall. This term we will be studying the Gospel of John! For more information on it, visit: <https://stsaviourslimerick.ie/blog/bible-study/>

For Men and Women, we have our new men and women groups that will be meeting every 4th Wednesday of the month from 7pm. For more information on it, visit:

<https://stsaviourslimerick.ie/blog/women's-group/>

For more information or to register, see website stsaviourslimerick.ie, or contact limerick@op-tn.org or **085 2255796**.

We hope to see you and your family at some of our upcoming programs, and don't forget that we'll be holding various one-off events and trips also, so keep an eye out for those! God bless you all!

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Aug 20: How many relationships are broken, how many stories become complicated, how many unspoken words remain suspended. And yet the Gospel shows us that there is always a way to continue to love, even when everything seems irredeemably compromised.

Aug 20: To forgive does not mean to deny evil, but to prevent it from generating further evil. It is not to say that nothing has happened, but to do everything possible to ensure that resentment does not determine the future.

Aug 20: When the light of forgiveness succeeds in filtering through the deepest crevices of the heart, we understand that it is never futile. Even if the other does not accept it, even if it seems to be in vain, forgiveness frees those who give it: it dispels resentment, it restores peace, it returns us to ourselves. #GeneralAudience

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