



# St. Augustine's Church Limerick

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## Mother and Son

Last Thursday 27th and Friday 28th August were big days in the Augustinian calendar - the feast of St. Monica and St. Augustine, mother and son. The Augustinian family celebrate its spiritual roots in the values transmitted from mother to son and the extension of that relationship to our communities across the world and to us here in Limerick.

As Augustinians we owe a lot to St. Monica who gave us somebody who inspires our life and ministry, who presented us with the vision and reality of a community of friends in search of God. As a busy priest and bishop St. Augustine held on to the monastic ideal, the journey inwards to the heart and his passion for people and their problems. Her son, through his writings, his sermons and his pastoral practice has had profound influence on the direction of theology and spirituality.



30th August  
2020



## Mass Times

Monday -Friday  
7.30am, 8.30am,  
10.15am, & 4pm  
SATURDAY  
8.30am, 10.15am  
SUNDAY  
9.00am, 11.15am  
& 7.30pm

CONFESSIONS  
MONDAY & FRIDAY  
10.45am-12 Noon  
3.00pm-4.00pm  
SATURDAY  
10.45am-12noon  
2.30pm-4pm



### St. Augustine's Church Child Safeguarding Representatives.

Fr. Noel Hession OSA  
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## Thought for Today

Jesus had the gift of saying things directly and plainly, with a power to penetrate all our defences and lead us to a new awareness.

Today's message puts before us the paradox of the Gospel: we gain life by letting go of it. If I put my happiness, my being loved, at the centre of my life, then I will surely fail, even though to be loved and to be happy are

really important. If on the other hand I put the happiness of others first and love them unconditionally, then I too will know unselfish love and deep happiness. This is the very insight and wisdom that Jesus puts before us as the key not just to love but to life and within that, the key to authentic discipleship precisely as a way of life.

**Prayer** Teach us, Lord, that nothing is more life-giving than to love and be loved in return.

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My heart is my whole being.  
It is the 'secret room'  
that guards my identity.  
Where I am truly myself,  
where my life story unfolds.  
Outside of my heart  
I am lost.  
And there in its silent  
depths, I can see.  
THE FACE OF GOD  
.....whom I seek,  
for whom my heart  
is yearning..

*St. Augustine*