



St. Augustine's Church Limerick 27th February 2022

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Eight Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

Ash Wednesday

Day of Prayer and Fasting for Peace

During the General Audience Wednesday, Pope Francis made a heartfelt appeal for peace in Ukraine, saying that the threat of war had caused "great pain in my heart."



"Despite the diplomatic efforts of the last few weeks," the Pope said, "increasingly alarming scenarios are opening up," with many people all over the world feeling anguish and pain.

He also prayed that "all the parties involved refrain from any action that would cause even more suffering to the people, destabilizing coexistence between nations and bringing international law into disrepute."

I invite everyone to make this coming 2nd March, Ash Wednesday, a Day of Fasting for Peace. Let believers dedicate themselves intensively to prayer and fasting. May the Queen of Peace preserve the world from the madness of war.

In response to the Holy Father's call for a day of prayer, Archbishop Eamon Martin, Archbishop of Armagh and Primate of All Ireland said, "I invite as many people as possible to join this day of prayer and fasting for peace on Ash Wednesday."

Source: Excerpt CatholicNews.ie /www.catholicbishops.ie



Thought for the Day

For many, it is seemingly possible to sleep-walk through life, to live on an entirely sentient level. Perhaps our current culture of distraction supports such superficial so-called living. Many, however, are dissatisfied and long for an awakening, a conversion, a transformation, for something more. Such a hunger of the heart is acknowledged in many religions and philosophies — Jesus' teaching here could just as easily be on the lips of the Gautama Buddha. The difference for Christians is the grace of God in Christ and the gift of the Holy Spirit.

Ultimately, it is all grace, grace upon grace as the Prologue of John puts it.

Prayer

God of all our awakenings, we know that the journey inward is the journey home. Keep our hearts restless until we come to rest in you. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Source www.tarsus.ie/Sunday_readings



St. Augustine's Church Child Safeguarding Representatives.

Fr. Noel Hession OSA
Fr. Flor O'Callaghan OSA
Ms Geraldine van Dam
Mr. Robert Ryan
Ms Charlotte Gleeson
Ms Mary Deegan.



Trocaire Lenten Giving

In the spirit of faith and in the spirit of humanity, we ask you to open your hearts to the people of Zimbabwe this lent.

The people here are very poor. Water is scarce, and there is drought and food scarcity. When Covid came, people were scared because their health facilities were very limited. Especially in rural areas where hospitals and clinics were far, people walked many kilometres to access medical care.

Families like Thandekile's on your Lenten boxes this year, who have lost a husband and father during Covid, they are suffering. Because of the virus they were unable to bid farewell to their loved one, and they have been deeply traumatised. Climate change and covid are hurting loving families, and it's not just. Please help this Lent and pick up a Trocaire box on the way out. Thank you for your support.



The **Kiss of Christ** is a short hybrid course (online and at home/in parish) to introduce the way of Lectio Divina and to support those who would wish to practice it during Lent 2022. email info@aspal.ie Web www.aspal.ie Poster on the notice board at the back of the church.

EXPLORING AND INTEGRATING THE WORD OF GOD IN YOUR LIFE

with Sr Therese Fitzgerald

They said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?" (Luke 24:32)



€15 CONTRIBUTION REQUESTED

These sessions offer an experiential reading of the Gospel according to St Luke, where we will personally engage with scripture while in a group setting. We will deepen our appreciation of the Word of God by exploring the text together and having focused conversations on themes within the text. Together we will discover how the Word of God can be integrated into our personal lives, giving us a deeper connection and understanding of Scripture and what it means to us.

EACH SESSION WILL RUN ONLINE FROM 7:30PM TO 9PM (EVERY SECOND TUESDAY) MARCH 1ST, 15TH, 29TH & APRIL 12TH & 26TH & MAY 10TH & 24TH

Every alternate week, there will be an opportunity to meet with a 'leading partner' via Zoom, phone or in person, for about an hour, to have a conversation about a specific text. There will be guidance on how to engage and benefit from this key learning partnership.

Register at: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ExploringTheWord>



Exploring the Word' with Sr Therese Fitzgerald will begin on Tuesday March 1st and will run every second Tuesday until the 24th of May. These sessions will offer an experiential reading of the Gospel according to St Luke, where you will personally engage with scripture while in a group setting. There is further information on the poster at the back of the church. You can register for this programme here: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ExploringTheWord>

Limerick Diocese are also offering an **'Enviro-Lenten' film series** which will run on three Saturday evenings from 5th to the 26th of March the in the Diocesan Centre. Details of the three films are on the attached poster. You can register for the films here: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Enviro-LentenFilms>

With Rev Paul Fitzpatrick
Venue : Castle Oaks House
Hotel, Castleconnell
Date: Wednesdays: 9th, 16th,
23rd, 30th Mar, & 6th Apr
Time: 8.00pm-9.00pm
All are Welcome!