

# **Mass Times**

#### Monday-Friday

7.30am, 8.30am,

10.15am, & 4pm SATURDAY

8.30am, 10.15am SUNDAY

9.00am, 11.15am & 7.30pm

### <u>CONFESSIONS</u> <u>MONDAY & FRIDAY</u>

10.45am-12 Noon

3.00pm-4.00pm SATURDAY

10.45am-12noon

2.30pm-4pm





#### St. Augustine's Church

Child Safeguarding Representatives.

Fr. Flor O'Callaghan O.S.A.

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# St. Augustine's Church Limerick 2nd October 2022

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# Day for Life 'Caring for the Older Person'



Day for Life is celebrated annually by the Catholic Church in Ireland, Scotland, England and Wales. It is a day dedicated to raising awareness of the meaning and value of human life at every stage and in every condition. **This year's** Day for Life will be celebrated in Ireland on Sunday 2nd October on the theme **'Caring for the Older Person'.** 

The focus of the Day for Life this year is older persons. The COVID pandemic highlighted the desperate plight of many older people, especially those in care homes and those struggling with long-term chronic conditions such as dementia. They carried the highest burden which included prolonged isolation, the distress for families being unable to visit, delayed medical interventions and tragic, isolated, deaths followed by shortened, minimal, funeral rites. Many family members and friends continue to bear the wound of deep grief which hurts and is still in need of healing.

We invite people to think again about the value and worth of older persons in families and in society, and to make practical choices to build bridges between the generations. We call for people and parishes to devote quality time, energy and creativity in caring for the older persons in our communities. Source: Brief excerpt from Day for Life www.catholicbishops.ie

# **Northstar Annual Service**



## **'Coming out of Darkness into Light**

The Northstar Annual Service of Commemoration and Hope will take place in this church next Thursday October 6th at 7.00pm. The theme for this year is 'Colour your own Rainbow'. This is a community based project providing non-judgemental, confidential support to families who are affected by, and trying to cope with, a family member's substance misuse.

They do this work by providing one on one support, access to counselling, training opportunities and vitally, through peer

support and simply providing time and space for families to speak freely without judgement.

The service is an opportunity to remember loved ones who were lost through drug and alcohol misuse and also to offer support to the families left behind. During the Service people will be invited to write a message of remembrance which will then be placed in Cauldrons at either side of the Rainbow. All are welcome.

## Thought for the Day

The cry of the disciples to the Lord, "increase our faith," resonates very much with us today. Is being a person of faith harder today than it has ever been? In one sense no: previous generations too had to struggle. But today has its particular challenges. For the most part, public discourse is against faith in general and against church in particular. It would be easy to lose heart. Just



holding on to faith would be enough, not to mention growing!! We grow in faith by desire and by practice—desire for God and the practice of prayer. The times call us to focus on the heart of the Christian project—Jesus and the Gospel—and on the heart of discipleship—love and service.

Prayer: "Lord, increase our faith!" Open our hearts to your presence in our lives.

Source: www.tarsus.ie/Sunday Sunday Readings



# HARVEST THANKSGIVING INVITATION

Our Harvest thanksgiving Mass will take place next Sunday 9th October at 11.15am with a slightly different programme. Joining us for 11.15am Mass each

Sunday we have people from Spain, France, Brazil, Philippines, India, and Africa so we would like to invite them to join us in bringing their gifts for the harvest (be it fruit or vegetables) to the altar at the Offertory Procession.

This should be a very colourful display in celebrating the return of our Harvest Thanksgiving. All produce will be given to Novas for those in need.

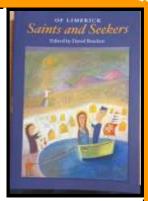




## **New Book Launch**

The diocese of Limerick has recently commissioned a new collection of short biographies, David Bracken, *Of Limerick Saints and Seekers* (Veritas, 2022).

In *Of Limerick Saints and Seekers* we journey through a millennium and a half of Limerick history with scholars and scribes, poets and preachers, martyrs and missionaries, and founders of churches and religious communities. Drawing from early Ireland to present day, this collection of stories details the lives of extraordinary people from a variety of faith traditions and perspectives, from well-known saints to unknown and unsung religious and lay people, including figures such as



St Íte, foster mother of the saints; Gille, Limerick's first bishop; the medieval Askeaton Madonna; Terence Albert O'Brien, bishop of Emly; Sikh scholar Max Arthur MacAuliffe and Anglican nun Sr. Mary Clare Whitty, martyred in Korea. Available in the Abbey Bookshop €20 / & Limerick Diocese

Limerick Art Society
80th Anniversary Exhibition
Sunday 2nd Oct
Limerick City Gallery of Art
Pery Square
Portraits, Landscapes, Abstracts and
Still Life. Free Admission

#### **FOSSETT'S CIRCUS**

Sunday 2nd Oct 2pm & 5pm Cleeves Car Park, O'Callaghan Strand. Children €15, Adults €17



'3for 3'
Breast Cancer awareness walk
Sunday 2nd October
3k Walk will begin at
Arthurs Quay at 3pm and will
incorporate the 3 bridges of
Limerick
Registration €15

Lunchtime Concerts at

#### St. Mary's Cathedral

Tuesday 4th Oct at 1.15pm Connor Willcox will play on the piano with music by Mendelssohn & Liszt Admission Free / Retiring



