

Sunday 7th March - 3rd Sunday in Lent

LENTEN PRAYER



I stand before you today, Lord, ready for the challenges that this new week will bring. Help me to keep the spirit of Your word alive in my heart and to remember that You are always with me at home or at work, among strangers or friends, faced with struggles or joys. Be with me, Lord, and guide me, wherever I may go. Amen



Up to One-Third of Trócaire Donations at Risk this Lent

The first Lent in almost 50 years when many homes will be without a Trócaire box.

COVID restrictions mean that during this Lent many Irish homes will be without a Trócaire box. Boxes have been left in churches for people to pick up and we urge supporters to pick-up a box if it is safe and within the public health guidelines to do so.

Supporters who are unable to get a box this year can still support our life-saving work by donating online. While this year will be different, we hope the public will continue to support our life-saving work overseas.

Trócaire boxes are included in the Lenten Packs which are still available in Patrickswell and Ballybrown churches. Please take one if you haven't already done so. Thank you.

Interview with Fr. Éamonn Fitzgibbon: Bishop Brendan Leahy recently interviewed Fr. Éamonn. If you would like to see the interview go to:

<https://www.limerickdiocese.org/news/bishop-brendan-speaks-to-fr-eamonn-fitzgibbon/>

Also if you missed RTE PRIME TIME FEATURE ON FUNERALS DURING LOCKDOWN - **With thoughts and insights from Fr Éamonn.** First broadcast last Tuesday the 2nd of March, and available to watch now on RTE Player. To view, click/tap on the following link <https://www.rte.ie/news/player/prime-time-web/2021/0302/>

ONLINE Book Club: Following on from the success of our 'Laudato Si' book club in January/February, Limerick Diocese are delighted to offer, in partnership with the Salesian Cosmology Group, a 4-week book club on Pope Francis' latest encyclical Fratelli Tutti. **The book club will run from 7pm to 8pm over four Tuesdays from the 9th to the 30th of March.** A contribution of €10 is requested for the four sessions. You can register for the four sessions here: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/FratelliTuttiBookClub>
The sessions will be facilitated by Dr Suzanne Mulligan.

Please note Registration CLOSSES at 5pm on Monday 8th March so that the Zoom link can be emailed to participants.



A Support Group For Those Doing Their Leaving Certificate

This support group is for those doing their Leaving Certificate in 2021. We meet on Zoom every two weeks (**Thursday @ 9pm**) and we offer support, encouragement, tips and strategies for coping with stress and anxiety. If you would like to know more or if you would like to attend, please contact Aoife at aofe.walsh@limerickdiocese.org or text 085 2527465.



Mother's Day: A Special Mother's Day Card/Reflection will be available in our churches if you wish to give one to your mother. If your mother is now deceased, candles will also be available to take to her place of rest. Candles may be collected from the Parish Office during opening hours next week or from Patrickswell Church after Masses.

Weekly Masses Online

Patrickswell: Weekdays at 9.30am unless funeral scheduled.

Weekends: Saturday at 6.30pm (Vigil Mass) and Sunday at 11.30am.

Church open for quiet and personal prayer from 11.00am to 5.30pm daily.

Adoration: Saturdays 8.30am to 11.30am.

Additional Adoration for Sundays of Lent from 4.00pm to 7.00pm.

Ballybrown: Weekdays at 10.30am unless funeral scheduled.

Weekends: Saturday at 8.00pm (Vigil Mass) and Sunday at 10.00am.

Church open for quiet and personal prayer from 11.00am to 5.30pm daily.

Weekly Offertory Collection Week ending 7th March: €495.00