



#### **FATHER'S DAY PRAYER (Sunday 20<sup>th</sup>)**

Dear God, Please bless our fathers today. Give them strength to lead our families in Your will. For those families whose fathers are no longer with them, give them joy today in the wonderful memories they have. And God, thank you for being our loving Heavenly Father. Amen

#### **Extracts from Michael Harding's Book - What is Beautiful in the Sky.**

"There's no doubt that during the lockdown, and in self-isolation, the virus punished me. But as I found myself spending long hours alone in a room I began to notice a change. Not just in the sky, or the seeming abundance of wildlife, but in myself. I would not remain the same in the time of the virus. That was clear, I would not be the same when it was over.

The virus has deprived everyone of normal activity, and confused every well-laid plan, as the world went to sleep and deep into a tunnel of isolation.

The shock of realising how precious it had been for all those years, to touch and kiss, to hug and shake hands and chat randomly in every accidental nook and cranny of the world with strangers who had no fear of me. And to discover that such a world was gone".

***Lord may we be aware of your Presence in this storm.***

***May your Peace be with us!***

#### **RE-OPENING OF CHURCHES**

- 2 metres social distancing guidelines adhered to (members of the same household can sit/stand close together)
- Wearing of face coverings is obligatory and sanitising your hands upon entering and leaving the church.
- No congregation of people outside the premises before and after any service
- Stewards on site to assist in this regard
- **Attendance at Funerals:** 50 mourners permitted at service.
- **Weddings:** 50 guests permitted at ceremony.

**Feast Days:** Monday 21st June – St. Aloysius Gonzaga  
Thursday 24th June – The Nativity of St. John the Baptist



#### **Limerick Diocesan pilgrimage to Lourdes**

Will not take place because of Covid-19. However, the annual Diocesan pilgrimage will be available online as pilgrims gather virtually from Thursday 17<sup>th</sup>

until Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> June with Mass each morning at 10.00am. All liturgies across the four days are being streamed live on the **diocesan website [Limerickdiocese.org](http://Limerickdiocese.org)** and also on the **diocesan Facebook page**. Other celebrations across the 4 days will take place at 9.00pm each evening. Friday evening's gathering will be the Rosary led by Carmel Sheridan, Chief Handmaiden.

Chief Brancardier Fr Chris O'Donnell will lead a service of Healing and Reconciliation on Saturday evening 19<sup>th</sup> June.

Sunday's celebration will be with Bishop Brendan Leahy from Corpus Christi Church, Moyross. There will be Evening Prayer and Closing Devotions, again led by Carmel Sheridan and assisted by the Pilgrimage Doctors.

Pilgrims are invited to email their prayers, petitions and intentions to [limericklourdespilgrimage@limerickdiocese.org](mailto:limericklourdespilgrimage@limerickdiocese.org), these will be laid before the altar for each liturgy.

#### **PARISH WEEKLY MASSES**

**Patrickswell:** Weekdays at 9.30am.

Saturday at 6.30pm (Vigil Mass) & Sunday at 11.30am.

**Adoration:** Saturday from 8.30am to 11.30am.

**Ballybrown:** Weekdays at 10.30am **unless there is a funeral scheduled.**

Saturday at 8.00pm (Vigil Mass) & Sunday at 10.00am.

**Churches open for quiet prayer from 11am to 5.30pm.**

The Parish Office is taking bookings for Baptisms. For Patrickswell Church you may also contact the Sacristan.



#### **RECENT BAPTISMS**

We would like to welcome into our Christian Community: - Isabel Ahern, Carrig West. John James McMahon, Corcamore. Alison Neville, Doon, Clarina. Kacie Moloney, Newtown Hill. Bonnie O'Doherty, Newtown and Callum Burke, Corcamore. Congratulations to all.

**Offertory Collection Week Ending 30 May - €1527.90.**

**Offertory Collection Week Ending 06 June - €1268.20**

**Offertory Collection Week Ending 13 June - €1009.00**

**Diocesan Needs Collection May - €700.70**

**Thank you.**