

Nenagh Parish News

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Mass Times

St Mary of the Rosary

Weekend Masses:

Saturday 10am, 6.15pm

Sunday 8am, 12 noon, 6pm

Parish Radio: 106.2FM

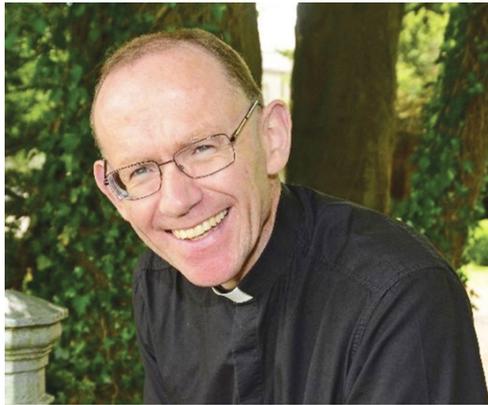
Weekday Masses

8am, 11am, 1pm | Holy Hour TBC

St John the Baptist, Tyone

Saturday 7.30pm | Sunday 10.30am

Weekdays | Nenagh Hospital 12 Noon



Fáilte ar ais – Welcome Back

What strange times we find ourselves living in! An invisible virus has changed our world and our lives. We don't shake hands. We keep our distance. For many weeks, we were unable to visit relatives and friends, including those who were sick or vulnerable. Grandparents and grandchildren missed each other. Children missed their friends and teachers. We've missed being together as Christian communities. It's our nature as a Church to gather. This is what we do. It's who we are. Like the early Christians, we gather on Sundays knowing the Risen Christ is present among us when we gather in His name. We thank our priests and lay people for their work during the lockdown, finding creative ways to make the Mass available at home through local radio, Facebook and webcams. But we have missed coming together as community to celebrate the Eucharist. So, it is good for us to gather, even with limitations on numbers. We can now look towards future community gatherings, to celebrate the Eucharist, baptisms, First Holy Communion, Confirmation, weddings and to remember our dead. Despite the difficulties we've lived through, there is a lot to be grateful for. We owe so much to our health care workers and to those who kept all essential services going. We thank the Lord for the goodness of so many generous, brave

people who have given so much, often putting themselves and their families at risk. They are the face of Christ for us. Times of crisis brings out the best in people. People have stayed at home and stayed apart because it saves lives and lessens suffering. All age groups, young and old, have shown that they care for each other. We acknowledge the collaboration of many people across the Diocese who have prepared our churches so that we can come together safely. These past months have been a time of worry, but they have also been a time of learning new ways of doing things, new behaviours, new approaches. It has also been a time of coming back to what matters in our lives, to what sustains us when the chips are down, to questioning what values we want for our communities and our society. As faith communities, we are walking together into a changed time. In March, the Diocese had started a process of thinking and envisioning possibilities for the future. Like everything else this had to be put on hold. But the challenge remains of sustaining our Christian communities, of going further as people of faith and hope, as people called to make visible something of God's love and compassion in the places where we live. In the coming year, the Bishop and Diocesan Pastoral Council will invite all of us to be part of thinking about these challenges and planning the path forward together. All of that is in the future. For now, we must continue to care for and support each other. As Christian communities, let us keep reaching out to each other, and to our neighbours, with encouragement, with practical help and with prayer. And let us remember: 'the Church does not close, only the building closes; because we are the Church, the living body of Christ, and we are everywhere'.

Bishop Fintan Monahan

St Cnúlán's Well

The annual Pattern Day in St Cnúlán's well, Youghalarra is July 24th. Unfortunately there will be no public prayers this year. In years past people came in their own time and prayed at the well. Please God next year we will be able to gather as a faith community to celebrate the feast again. St Cnúlán pray for us.

Those We Remember | 19 - 24 July 2020

Sun 18th	8am	Ann Gaffney & Gertrude Gaffney (As)
	12pm	Joe & Pauline McMahon (As) Mary Toohey (A)
Mon 19th	8am	Fr Tom Moloney (A) Gerry Moloney (A) & his wife Eileen Moloney (A)
	11am	Susan Flannery (A)
Tues 20th	11am	Tom McSherry (1st A) Teresa Dyson (A) Jack & Jane Maher (As)
Wed 21st	11am	Conlan Matthew Rheingrover (A)
Thurs 22nd	11am	Jack & Kate Butler (A) Tom & Margaret Hourigan (A)
Sat 24th	11am	Dick White (A) & deceased family members Elfriede Apfelthaler (recently deceased)
	6.15pm	James White (MM) Geraldine Creamer (MM)
	7.30pm	James Ryan (1st A) & his wife Philomena Ryan (A)

Our Faithful Departed

John Ryan (Tubbs)

...may he Rest in Peace. Amen

Life Lessons

For our Parish Priest's 60th birthday, the congregation decided to give him a new suit. He was so touched by the gift that the following Sunday he stood before everyone and, with tears in his eyes, announced, "Today I am preaching to you in my birthday suit."

Parish Finance Committee Updates

Our thanks to the many parishioners who have sent in contributions for the weekly Parish Collection, and the Priests collection.

For parishioners who wish to contribute, you may drop the envelopes in the Parish Office letterbox or in the donation box located in the lobby of St Mary of the Rosary Church.

As you will be aware, the parish has many running costs that unfortunately do not run out with the lockdown. Such generosity and thoughtfulness, particularly during this difficult time, is very much appreciated.

Parishioners have asked about making weekly contributions to the Parish Bank Account. If you wish to do this, the details are as follows:

Bank of Ireland, Nenagh

Nenagh Parish Account

IBAN IE40 BOFI 9043 6821 3227 62

BIC Code BOFIE2D

If you choose to contribute into the Parish Account directly please put your envelope number or name as a reference so that we can keep track of contributions for parishioners taking part in the *Charitable Donation Tax Relief Scheme*.

We acknowledge this is a difficult time financially and we are very thankful to those who are able to continue to support the Parish.