

Nenagh Parish News

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Mass Times
St Mary of the Rosary
Weekend Masses:
 Liturgy of the Word with
 Holy Communion | Saturday 10am
 Saturday Vigil Mass | 6.15pm
 Sunday 8am | 12 noon | 6pm
Weekday Masses
 8am | 11am
Adoration | Weekdays 5-7pm
Confessions | Sat after Liturgy
Parish Radio: 106.2FM
St John the Baptist, Tyone
 Saturday | 7.30pm
 Sunday | 10.30am

This Week We Offer A Special Prayer For... ...forgiveness

Lord Jesus,
 You opened the eyes of the blind,
 healed the sick,
 and after Peter's denial confirmed him in your love.
 Listen to my prayer:
 forgive all my sins,
 renew your love in my heart,
 help me to live in perfect unity
 with my fellow Christians
 that I may proclaim your saving power
 to all the world. **Amen.**

Spiritual Renewal and Awakening

Nenagh Holy Spirit Prayer Group invite you to an afternoon of 'Spiritual Renewal and Awakening' on Sunday, 25th June from 2-6 at **St John the Baptist Church**. Marie Beirne, who is the former chairperson of the Catholic Charismatic Renewal in Ireland, will lead a powerful afternoon of worship, praise, teaching, testimony and prayer for healing. Marie will reveal the hidden power of using praise while praying and also help us rediscover and awaken the forgotten gifts and charisms available to us from our baptism. The afternoon will also include a personal testimony of transformation of healing through the power of the Holy Spirit. The afternoon will conclude with Mass at 5pm. All are welcome.

Killaloe Diocesan Pilgrimage To Knock 72nd Annual Pilgrimage to Knock takes place on Sunday July 2nd 2023

Bus leaves from outside Loreto House, Kenyon Street, Nenagh at 8.45am Sharp. Tickets will be on sale on Saturday 24th June from 3-4.30pm in the Pastoral Centre.

Closing date is Wednesday June 28th 2023. All tickets must be collected and paid for on or before June 28th 2023. For Further Information Contact the following:

Margaret Healy, 11 Bulfin Crescent, Nenagh.
Phone No: 06732140

Margaret Cooney 17 Ormond Court, Ormond Street Nenagh.
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Fares Adult **€25** Child (under-14) **€12**
 Ceremonies Commence at 2.30pm
 Mass at 3pm

Graveyard Masses

Kenyon/Barrack Street Graveyard Wed June 28th @ 8pm
 Kilkeary Graveyard Thur June 29th @ 8pm

Latteragh Graveyard

We will be celebrating our annual Mass at Latteragh on Monday evening, 10 July (time to be confirmed, probably 7pm) at Latteragh cemetery. An unattended donations bucket will be placed just inside the cemetery gate for any donations to the ongoing upkeep of the area. Everyone is invited back to the Community centre afterwards for a cup of tea/coffee and light refreshments. The AGM of the carers group will take place and we hope to be able to share some recently recovered film footage of work at Latteragh dating from our startup in 1999. All very welcome.

Nenagh Parish Finance Committee Meeting Monday 26th June at 7.30pm in the Pastoral Centre.

Thanks to the people who signed up for a supply of parish envelopes recently. Boxes of envelopes are still available through the Parish Office for anyone who wishes to avail of same.

Life Lessons

A young priest, who was just out of the seminary, decided to take a job on the police force to gain some experience he thought would be useful in his later work. One of the questions on the oral exam was, "What would you do to disperse an agitated crowd?" His reply: "I'd take up a collection."

Those We Remember | Sat 24 June - Sun 2 July

St Mary of the Rosary

Sat 24th 6.15pm	Bridget Lonergan (MM)
Sun 25th 12noon	Tess Murphy (1st A)
	Phillip O'Gorman (A)
	John Hogan (A)
	Mary Ann Hughes (A)
	Milo & Bridie McGee (As)
	Nora Flynn (A)
Sun 25th 6pm	Kathleen White (A)
Mon 26th 8am	Paddy McCarthy & Thomas Blessing (As)
	Dick & Ann Holohan (As)
Mon 26th 11am	Angela Gleeson (A)
Weds 28th 11am	May Tucker (A) & her son Oliver
Thurs 29th 11am	Kathleen McCarthy (A), & her daughter, her brother Paddy & sister Elizabeth
	Fr. Tim Gleeson & his brothers James & Michael
	Margaret Minogue (A)
Fri 30th 8am	Philomena Quill (MM)
Fri 30th 11am	Juliette Lane (A)
Sat 1st 6.15pm	Ann Shoer (nee Holmes) MM
	Marie Gleeson (1st A) & her husband James
Sun 2nd 8am	Jack & Agnes Lyons (As)
	Patricia Grace (A)
	Michael & Nancy Walsh (As)
Sun 2nd 12noon	Edward & Nancy Costello (As)
	Teresa & Paddy Holland (As)
	St John the Baptist
Sat 24th 7.30pm	Martin Casey (A) & his brother Connie Casey
	Timmy & Eileen Ryan (A)
Sat 1st 7.30pm	Peggy O'Malley (A)

Our Faithful Departed

Mary Quigley
 Frances Fagan
 Margaret Kearns
 Delia Cleary

May They Rest In Peace. Amen.

Readers | 1-2 July 2023

6.15pm	Mary McGrath
7.30pm	Ann Marie McCann
8am	Van Geraghty
10.30am	Margaret Teehan
12noon	Eilish Carter
6pm	Alice Darcy
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NOTICE BOARD

Weekly Collection €3,851

Thank you as always for your generosity.

Parish Office Opening Hours Mon-Fri | 9am-5pm

Lourdes Pilgrimage

Bishop Fintan will lead our Diocesan pilgrimage to Lourdes on Tuesday 27th June to Sunday 2nd July. Special subsidized price 809euro. Book with Joe Walsh Tours 01-2410800
 Info@joewalshstours.ie
 www.joewalshstours.ie

Irish Countrywomen's Association

Cookery demonstration with Ed Hayden Celebrity Chef.
 Thursday 9th November.
 Abbey Court Hotel Nenagh.

The First Martyrs of Rome

The memorial of the First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church comes one day after the Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul. The first day, June 29, is the remembrance of the two most famous martyrs who died during the persecution of Nero, St. Peter crucified upside down in 64 AD and St. Paul beheaded in 67 AD. The second day, June 30, is the remembrance of the countless other nameless saints who died during the same persecution.

The great fire of Rome began in mid-July, 64 AD. It started in the vicinity of the Circus Maximus, a place densely packed with shops, merchants, and pedestrians. The wooden partitions and furnishings, the clothes and many other highly combustible materials made the area a tinder box, and once the fire began, it spread rapidly, consuming not only the shops but also public buildings, temples, monuments, and homes. It raged for a week. Two-thirds of the city was destroyed. Some historians believe that the emperor Nero, a demented and rage-filled person, ordered the fire set. Others believe that he ordered that it be allowed to burn.

Nero reigned as emperor from 54 to 68 AD. He despised Christians because they steadfastly refused to participate in the worship of the wide array of Roman gods. He did not need an excuse to begin a persecution against Christians, but the devastating fire provided one. He made the Christians the scapegoats and initiated a massive persecution.

The emperor and the residents of Rome took sadistic pleasure in grotesque displays of violence and suffering, usually satisfied by gladiators fighting to the death and savage beasts brutally devouring humans or other animals. This time Christians would provide the spectacle. Roman soldiers combed the city. Christians were torn from their homes, apprehended, and forcibly taken either to Nero's palace gardens on the Vatican Hill or to various arenas.

The public tortures and executions were horrific. At nightfall Christians were tied to stakes, covered with wax, set aflame, and burned alive – human torches. Others were crucified. Neither method fully satisfied the crowd's cruel and sadistic appetites, one getting over too fast, the other taking too long. Most of the Christian martyrs were mauled and devoured by wild animals. The victims were either smeared with animal scent or covered with animal hides and then placed in an enclosure at the palace or the center of the arena. Then raging wild beasts that had been deprived of food were released as the emperor, his entourage, and the crowds beheld the gruesome sight. Many Christians were put to death from 64 AD until the end of the persecution four years later.

The First Martyrs "loved Christ in this life and imitated him in their death; and so they will rejoice with him for ever" (Antiphon, Evening Prayer). God "sanctified the Church of Rome with the blood of its first martyrs. May we find strength from their courage and rejoice in their triumph" (Prayer, Liturgy of the Hours).

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on Tuesday 4th July 2023 from 6 to 8.30 p.m.

• Special Guest: **Melanie Scott**, Arts Officer, Tipperary County Council

• **Special Launch Price: €30 or 2 for €50**

• **Limited Signed Edition** (50 copies only) with separate numbered print €50

Harp Music & Refreshments Served – Fáilte Roimh Cábh.

