

# 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  
Polish Mass | 2nd & 4th Sunday Each Month | 1pm

## This Week We Offer A Special Prayer For ...our Educators

*Almighty God,*  
We come to you today and give thanks for all our teachers.  
Thank you for the way in which they give of themselves each day in the classroom,  
Serving and instructing the next generation of this land. We thank you for them all now.  
Father, please fill their hearts with courage now by your mighty Spirit. Fill them with your strength, so they may rise to every challenge and not grow weary.  
Fill them with your wisdom, so that they may be able to make good judgement when guiding and helping others.  
Fill them with your peace, so that when stress and anxiety comes it would not overwhelm them.  
Fill them with your joy, so that the passion they have for their subject may become a infectious passion that spreads.  
We ask all this in the wonderful name of Jesus. **Amen.**

| Those We Remember   Sat 24 - Sun 3 March          |   |
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| St Mary of the Rosary                             |   |
| Sat 24th 6.15pm                                   | Ann Lee (MM)<br>Mick Burns (1st A)<br>Mary Kennedy (1st A)  |
| Sun 25th 12noon                                   | Bill & Tess Lawlor (As) & deceased family members<br>Sean Bane & Anne Kelly (As)<br>Anne & John Ryan (As)<br>Jean Morrissey (A)<br>Kathleen Reddan & Tony Murphy (As)<br>Billy Barry (A)  |
| Sun 25th 6pm                                      | John J Hogan (A) & son Damien & grandson David<br>Martin Ryan (A)<br>John Walsh (A)<br>Patrick Dempsey (A)<br>Eileen Doyle (A) & her father Hugh Doyle<br>Margaret & Michael Toohey & deceased family members<br>Sean Phelan (A)<br>Alice Darcy (A)<br>Peg Ryan (MM)<br>Marie Agnes Flannery (MM)<br>Noreen Ryan (A)<br>Patsy Barrett (A)<br>Hugh & Bill Slattery (As)<br>Pat Morrissey (A) |
| Thur 29th 8am<br>Sat 2nd 6.15pm<br>Sun 3rd 12noon | <b>St John the Baptist</b><br>Elizabeth & Edward Flannery (As)<br>Seán & Teresa Gleeson (As)<br>Paddy & Michael Gilmartin (As)<br>Tom & Sheila Kennedy (As)<br>Donny & Patsy Hassey (As)<br>Anne Kelly (A)  |

| Our Faithful Departed  |  |
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| Jean Gleeson<br>Libby Ryan<br>Michael (Mick) Starr<br>Tess Whelan (nee McLoughlin)<br><b>May They Rest In Peace. Amen.</b> |  |

| Readers   2-3 March 2024                            |  |
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| 6.15pm<br>7.30pm<br>8am<br>10.30am<br>12noon<br>6pm | Peggy Shoer<br>Miriam Toohey<br>Paul O'Dwyer<br>Donal Mackey<br>Noel Tomlinson / Wiola Kreft<br>Martin O'Brien |
| Readers: Missal Page 648                            |  |

| NOTICE BOARD   |  |
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| Weekly Collection €3,457<br>Thank you as always for your ongoing generosity.<br><b>Parish Office Opening Hours</b> Mon-Fri   9am-5pm |  |

| Thurles Cathedral Reroofing Project  |  |
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| Sunday April 7th, Premier Hall, Thurles with Michael English & his Band – A Million Medleys – a special concert of globally loved million selling hits. Ticket Donation: €25 - now on sale in the Parish Centre, Cathedral Street, Thurles (0504 22229), Bookworm, Liberty Square (0504-22257; Holycross Parish Office (0504 43124) and Cashel Parish Centre (062 62200). <b>Proceeds in aid of the Cathedral Reroofing Project.</b> |  |

| Indian Mass in Malayalam will take place at St John the Baptist Church Tyone on Saturday 2nd March at 2 pm starting with Stations of the Cross and confession. |  |
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## Second Sunday of Lent

### Why do we celebrate Lent?

Lent is a time to recognise our humanity. It's a time to acknowledge our mortality. And it's a time to detach ourselves from some of the things of the world and, in the freedom that this brings us, to recognise our deep sense of belonging to God.

Creating the space for contemplation, to return to God, may mean that we can understand some of the desires and motivations that inspire our actions, which at the best of times will be complex, muddled and murky. To do this will mean we need to let go of some of the things that block our connection with the life that God promises us in and through Jesus. It means we may need to let go of life itself.

If we can make space to enter into the bigger life of God we may find that we are able to look objectively at some of the desires that drive our actions, and to acknowledge and respond to God's gracious and merciful presence.



*This is my Son, the Beloved. Listen to him*

## Welcome Bishop Fintan!

This weekend, we welcome **Bishop Fintan Monahan** who will celebrate a special Mass commemorating 160 years of the Christian Brothers contribution to the Odhrán area.

**Date:** Sunday 25 February

**Time:** 12 noon

St Mary of the Rosary Church

### Trócaire - Lenten Reflections Second Sunday in Lent

At the end of July there is the annual pilgrimage to Croagh Patrick. The struggle up the bare mountain with shale collapsing under your feet is worth it on a clear day when you arrive at the summit, and you can see all 365 islands in Clew Bay. It is a moment to be quiet and to saviour all that is beautiful. When we begin to become aware of the beauty we have experienced, our sense of the sacred in nature grows deeper. As we grow in this spiritual awakening, we also see the great wound that has been caused to our beautiful earth.

How much greater must the experience have been for Peter, James and John when after their climb up the mountain with him, Jesus is transfigured before them. His clothes and his face become dazzling white, and the voice of the Father is heard. The natural reaction is to want to

hold onto this moment forever, to set up the three tents, for this is holy ground. To have that connection with this place and this event will mean so much to these and the other disciples when they face the events of Holy Week in Jerusalem. Malawi's natural environment is becoming more unpredictable and unstable. Families like Malita's, pictured on our Trócaire box, live with the uncertainty of what the weather will bring; yet they don't give up.

They continue to rebuild, replant and use the skills that are being provided by Trócaire and its partners. Pope Francis reminds us that our ecological awareness depends on our ability to see the interconnectedness of the people and communities of the world with the planet itself. The more we lose this awareness the less chance there is of finding the holy ground on which the transfiguration takes place. We have to open again the book of nature alongside the scriptures so that we will be engaged in what Archbishop Dermot Farrell calls 'a quest for insight, inspiration and strength so as to live in a new way on this earth, our common home'.

During the Lenten period Nenagh Parish and Nenagh Holy Spirit Charismatic Prayer Group are together sponsoring

### Life in the Spirit Seminars For the Odhran Pastoral Area

St John the Baptist Church, Tyone, Nenagh

- Tues 27th Feb - Receiving God's Gift
- Tues 5th March - Baptism in the Spirit
- Tues 12th March - Growth
- Tues 19h March - Transformation in Christ

Guest speakers each night & personal testimonies some nights  
Speakers include; Marie Beirne, Fr Pat Collins CM, Fr Pat Gilbert P.P., Martin McTiernan, Eddie Stone, Fr Brendan Walsh S.C.A.

In a seven-week series of prayer, praise, teachings, testimonies, music & song the Life in the Spirit Seminar deepens our relationship with God. The power of the Holy Spirit can bring us from a distant knowledge of Jesus, to a deep personal experience of Him as Lord & Saviour that has the potential to change our lives. **ALL ARE WELCOME**

### First Friday/First Saturday Vigil

A Vigil for First Friday/First Saturday will take place in the Sacristy of St. Mary of the Rosary Church, Nenagh, Co. Tipperary commencing at 7.30 p.m. **Friday March 1, 2024.** Holy Mass for first Saturday at 12 midnight, concluding at 2 a.m.on Saturday. Adoration and Rosary. All are welcome to attend all or part of the Vigil.  
(Entrance through the Sacristy door of the Church).

### Santiago De Compostela Camino 2024

Join Focus Ireland 'In the Footsteps of St James" on a fully guided walk from Sarria to Santiago de Compostela along the Camino de Frances and help support families in our community's experiencing homelessness. Dates 27 May to 3 June. Ex Dublin. Contact Monica on 087 954 7007 or email events@focusireland.ie for details & bookings.

### Stations of the Cross

Every Friday morning during Lent  
St Mary of the Rosary after 11am Mass

### Gamblers Anonymous Meetings

**Day:** Every Monday | **Time:** 8-9pm | **Location:** Nenagh Pastoral Centre  
If you have a desire to stop gambling then this is the meeting for you.

### Volunteers Needed

Silver Arch Family Resource Centre are currently looking for enthusiastic and friendly people to help out for a few hours per week in their charity shop.Interested or want to find out more?  
Contact Louise on 083-2050025 or email thrift@silverarchfrc.ie.