

# St. Augustine's Church Limerick

## First Sunday of Advent 3rd December

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## St. Augustine's School Celebrates 40 Yrs

St. Augustine's School was established in 1977 where our present Ostia building is located. The first principal was Mr. John Hanna and chaplain Fr. Paddy Mullery OSA.

### Mass times:

#### Monday—Friday

7.30am—8.30am—  
10.15am— & 4.00pm

#### Saturday --

8.30am—10.15am—3.00pm  
(Mass for the Sick)

#### Sunday—

9.00am, 11.15 am & 7.30pm

### Confession:

#### Monday & Friday

10.45am—12.00 / 3.00pm-4pm

#### Saturday —

10.45am—12.00 / 2.30pm-4pm

In 2011 they moved to their new building located on Sexton St. formally the church of the Presentation Sisters This school is one of five Youth Encounter Project schools in Ireland. Students are provided with opportunities to become actively involved with their own learning in both JCSP and JCT.



The current principal Mr. Dave Dineen and staff would like to take this opportunity to congratulate all involved for reaching this milestone and invite all affiliated in any way with the school, to attend a special Mass here in St. Augustine's Church on Friday Dec 8th at 10.15am, with refreshments afterwards in the Pery Hotel Glentworth St.

## Team Hope: 'A Big Thanks to Everyone'

The Team Hope Shoebox appeal would like to thank everyone who supported them again this year. The total number of boxes received was **9,493**.

With the help of many volunteers over the last few weeks working tirelessly in the warehouse preparing and packing the cartons and those who showed up on the last night to load the trucks our thanks to all of you. Wishing you all a very happy Christmas and looking forward to doing it all again next year.

*Team Hope Shoebox Appeal Limerick.*



**St. Augustine's Church**  
Feast of the  
Immaculate Conception  
Friday 8th December

### Masses:

7.30am , 8.30am,  
10.15am,  
1.00pm & 4.00pm

**Please Note**  
**Extra Mass at 1pm**

# Thought for Today

## Dominican Talks: Reformation

Tuesday December 5th  
Theme  
The Bible & Paul in the  
Reformation

Guest Speaker  
**Mary T. O'Brien**

Terence Albert Hall  
At 7.30pm

The commercial Christmas began many weeks ago. The spiritual journey towards Bethlehem and the heart of Christmas begins this **Sunday, 3rd December**, the First Sunday of Advent. If you were to wish people a happy new year today, they would in all probability find it awkward. Nevertheless, we do start a new Christian year with the season of Advent.

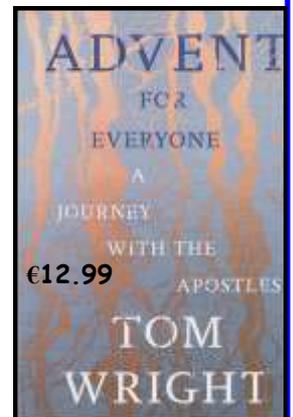
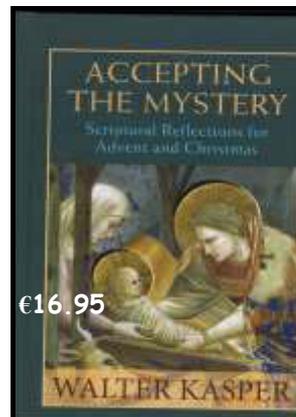
The different seasons reminds us of important aspects of being Christian, one of which is the conviction that we may always begin again and start new. Last Sunday, we looked back and today we look forward: what are *my* hopes for the coming Christian year? How am I now? How would I like to be, as a person of faith, this time next year? What steps will I take to make that a reality?

The Abbey Bookshop in this church has an extensive range of booklets and sacred readings for Advent to help you pray and reflect.

Below are just a sample:

## Exploring the Advent Readings

With Fr. David Kelly OSA  
AUGUSTINIAN PRIORY  
(Blue Door Outside)  
Wednesday Dec 6th  
At 7.30pm  
Come and Join us!



## Upcoming Events

- All are very welcome to the Annual Christmas Carol Concert in Adare, on Thursday, December 7th at 8pm in the Holy Trinity parish church. Tickets are €10 and available from the Adare Heritage Centre. There will also be a chance to visit the 'Live Crib' on Sunday 17th Dec in the village hall (new venue) from 2-5pm. If you would like to take in the Live Crib please contact Rita in the parish office 061 396172
- **Advent at the Abbey 'Hearing the Prophets Speak'**. The first of these talks starts today Sunday 3rd Dec in Glenstal Abbey at 4.30pm. The theme 'awaiting the Lord God who will wipe away the tears from all faces' and will be given by Abbot Brendan Coffey OSB. These talks will be followed by refreshments, and finally Vespers at 6pm in the church.
- On Sunday afternoon 10th Dec there will be a Carol Service in **Glenstal Abbey Church** at 3.30pm and all are welcome.
- **The Magic of Christmas**. An unique evening of Christmas favourites and songs from the shows with AOIDE and directed by Eoin Gilhooly on Saturday 9th Dec at 9pm in St. Mary's Cathedral. This evening is in aid of The Children's Grief Project and tickets are €15 available at the door on the night or from 083 4659415.

## Advent Desert Day

You are invited to a quiet peaceful few hours away from your busy schedule to enter more deeply into the Advent season and to prepare for Christmas

Venue: Westbourne,  
Ashbourne Ave, Limk  
**Saturday, Dec 9th**  
10.30-5.15.

Registration from 10am  
Booking essential  
Contact Sr. Phyllis at  
087 9636893 or  
Bernie 087 6803883

