



# St. AUGUSTINE'S CHURCH LIMERICK

Third Sunday of Lent  
19th March 2017

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## Augustinian-Lay Forum

### Mass Times

Monday –Friday  
7.30 am, 8.30am,  
10.15am & 4.00pm

Saturday  
8.30am, 10.15am  
3.00pm  
(Mass for the Sick)

Sunday  
9.00am, 11.15am,  
Evening Mass  
7.30pm

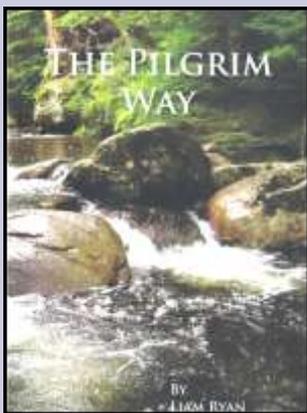
### Confession

Monday, Wednesday  
&Friday  
10.45 am–12.00  
3.00pm– 4.00pm  
Saturday  
10.45 am –12.00  
2.30pm –4.00pm

### Taize

Continues every  
Thursday at 5pm

### Lenten Reading



By Fr. Liam Ryan

### St. Augustine's Church Stations of the Cross

You are invited to  
join us after the  
10.15am Mass on  
**Wednesday's &  
Friday's for the  
Stations  
of the Cross.**

Dear friends,

We write in grateful appreciation to all of you who have so very generously engaged with us in our request for ideas, conversations and reflections on the future of the Augustinians and their charism in **Ireland. It is a belated "Thank you!" but nonetheless sincere and heartfelt for that.**



We are so indebted to each individual and group who so generously shared your thoughts and feelings, your fears and hopes in this regard. Each contribution was carefully considered and has informed our reflection and our journey as we attempt to discern where and how the Holy Spirit may be calling us at this crucial juncture in our Augustinian journey.

We continue to engage in a deeply reflective process of discernment which is facilitated for us by Mr. Jim Deeds from the Diocese of Down and Connor. Your valued contributions are at the heart of that. As lay and professed followers of Christ, in the spirit of our Holy Father Saint Augustine, spread throughout our locations in Ireland and abroad, we work towards our next Chapter gathering of the Irish Augustinian friars due to take place in June. This meeting, which is held every four years, plans and prepares for the life of the Augustinians in Ireland for the following four years.

We ask your continued prayerful support in the lead-up to that event and we pray that our common reflection and shared discernment may bear fruitful effects in our contribution to that decisive Chapter.

Once again, thank you for your time and your considered reflections and suggestions. We continue to rely on your support, advice and suggestions and will revert to you as the opportunities arise. May this Lenten time bless all of us who prepare for the celebration of the joy and fulfilment of the resurrection of Christ, our true hope, as we work together in making that a reality in our own lives and in the lives of our communities throughout the country.



With very best wishes.

Rita Fernandez

Fr. John Hennebray O.S.A.

Augustinian Provincial

## MARANATHA Prayer Ministry

You are invited to a healing retreat with Bishop Fintan Monahan Killaloe, and Janice & Moss Carrigg, Limerick With Mass, Confession, and Worship this Sunday 19th March at 2.30pm **in St. Paul's Church** Dooradoyle. Tea After in the hall.

## Thought for the Day

Today we are greatly helped by the wonderful Gospel of the Woman at the Well. On the third attempt, Jesus finally gets through to her but after that there is no stopping her. As Augustine teaches, she represents us: what do I thirst for? What is the most important thing in my life? Where do I now find God? By relentless challenge and resolute honesty, we too can be led to that encounter with Jesus, which **changes everything, "giving life a new horizon and a decisive direction."** May we come to believe because we have heard him ourselves and we know that he really is the saviour of the world.

Prayer :

In the midst of the ordinary things, loving God, you call us to the deeper realities: your thirst for us and our thirst for you. Never let us be satisfied, until we come to the springs of living water, welling up for eternal life.

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## Our Lady's College Drogheda to Sing Next Sunday

We welcome to St. Augustine's next Sunday 26th a visiting choir from Drogheda who will be taking part at our 11.15am liturgy. They are a group of young students from Our Lady's College Secondary School Greenhills Drogheda.



This all-girl Catholic school was founded by the Presentation Sisters in 1940 and is now under the trusteeship of CEIST. This school community is built on the principles of respect and care and are committed to creating and maintaining an inclusive environment that is centred on teaching and learning.

At the invitation from Fr. Iggy O'Donovan this young choir have chosen to sing in Limerick this year so lets hope it's a memorable one and that they will come again having received a warm Limerick welcome!



## Lenten Scripture

## Lenten Scripture Sessions

Lenten Scripture Sessions Every Tuesday of Lent in the Augustinian Priory (Blue Door) at 7.30pm. Come along and join us as we explore the Sunday Readings & Gospels throughout Lent.

## World Meeting of Families

Pope Francis has personally chosen Dublin to be the host diocese for the World Meeting of Families from 21-26 August 2018. Planning for this great national and international celebration of faith is well underway. Hosting this important event requires an enormous amount of planning and funding. In this regard a second national collection will be held on the weekend of 1st and 2nd April 2017. Your support for this collection would be greatly appreciated.

## Ministry of Public Prayer

Nearly one hundred people gathered in Mary Immaculate College on Saturday 4th to reflect on how we might lead liturgy on weekdays when it is not possible to celebrate Eucharist. A wonderful diverse group full of energy and with a deep love for their parishes attended. We look forward to gathering again on April 1st.

Following on from this on Tuesday April 25th every parish will celebrate a liturgy led by a lay parishioner as a real witness to this diocese being a 'community of communities', a people united in prayer.

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## Camino

There are still a few places available for the Camino this September. The Camino Walk is 125k from Tui to Santiago (Portuguese Route) covering 9 nights, from 5th to 14th September, 2017 (6 days walking, three nights in Santiago). The cost is €926 based on two persons sharing. Single supplement €182. The hotel accommodation also includes a fortified breakfast each morning and your bags will be delivered to your next destination each day.

Contact Geraldine 089 2410066



## Congratulations!

The winner of our Fairtrade hamper was Mary Murphy from Raheen Limerick.

