

Augustinian Prior General Visits Ireland

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

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To Resume Shortly

Every six years the international Augustinian Order elects a new superior, referred to as Prior General. The current Prior General is called Fr. Alejandro Moral Antón OSA. He comes from Madrid in Spain, and it is his responsibility to coordinate the work of the Order's almost 3,000 members in over 50 countries, on every continent. To assist him in his work the General has four Assistant Generals who take responsibility for different areas around the world. The Assistant General that corresponds to Ireland is Fr. Franz Klein OSA.

Alejandro and Franz are currently visiting each of the Augustinian communities in Ireland as part of what is a formal General Visitation — this is a time when, together with the Fr General, the Irish friars recommit themselves to their mission, discuss the situation of the friars in Ireland, and renew their connection with the wider Augustinian Order.

As part of their Visitation of the Limerick community both Fr Alejandro and Fr Franz will be joining us for the conference on Martin Luther and at the 11.15 Mass this Sunday. We wish them a pleasant visit, and hope that this will be the occasion for strengthening the ministry of the Augustinians in Ireland.



The Prior General Fr. Alejandro Moral Antón

Prison Week 8th - 14th

For forty years now, Prisons Week has prepared prayer literature to enable the Christian community, through individuals and churches, to pray for the needs of all those affected by prisons: prisoners and their families, victims of crime and their communities, those working in the criminal justice system and the many people who are involved in caring for those affected by crime on the inside and outside of our prisons.

Prisons Week raises awareness and generates prayer. It motivates volunteers to step forward and give their time and gifts, in prisons and in their own communities. It provides an annual focus and reason for Christians to work together, building capacity and motivation to make a difference for people who are out of sight and often out of mind.

Prisons Sunday – the second Sunday in October – marks the beginning of the week of prayer each year, running through until the following Saturday. www.prisonweek.org

Augustinian Church Northstar Annual Service



Thursday Oct 12th -7pm All are Welcome

World Meeting of Families Fun Day



Sunday 8th Oct 1pm-5pm Mary I College

Limerick Diocesan Charismatic Service Committee invites you to Conference entitled.

'What the Spirit

Brings is Hope'

Speakers:

Fr. Brendan Walsh SCA Dympna Sheehan Dublin 🤾 Saturday 14th & Sunday 15th October Radisson Blu Hotel Ennis Rd. Limerick. Contact:

> Sr. Mary Bridget 061 454511

Thought for Today

The risk for Christians today is that we read the parable complacently, because it clearly refers to Jews and Christians in the first century. But it is not only in the past that the leadership of God's project has changed hands, so to speak. Down through history, more committed groups have challenged the established Church—they can attract by more exciting worship and by a closer living of the Gospel. The hard words of St Paul to the Gentile Christians in Rome may help to shake us up: For if God did not spare the natural branches, perhaps he will not spare you. (Rom 11:21)

Prayer Lord of the vineyard, you call us to live the Gospel and to produce its fruits. Send your Spirit into our hearts, that we know the fruits of the Spirit: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. (Gal 5:22-23) www.tarsus.ie

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Over 300 people, representing parishes from across the diocese; gathered in Castletroy last Saturday to hear a progress report on our Pastoral Plan and to hear some initiatives that they might consider for the year ahead.

There was great listening in the hall as parish groups were led through the six strands of the theme, and an overall consensus that there is far

more happening than most of us realise or credit. We also all agreed that we need to develop better communication - at diocesan, local and parish levels so that people can be inspired and supported in their work in the year ahead.

In line with the title of our Pastoral Plan, 'Moving forward together in Hope', Bishop Brendan thanked and encour-



aged all, and noted that in June each parish will be asked to share some success stories from their community - so that we can meet each September for a progress report, celebrating all that has been achieved in the previous year!

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All women are invited to the next Siena Night on Wednesday, October 11th beginning at 7pm at St. Saviour's Dominican Church. This evening will be a special cinema night where we will watch a film and discuss it afterwards, applying it to our own lives. All are welcome!

Another initiative of the Dominican Sisters and Franciscan Friars in the north of Limerick city, led by Fr Bernardino of the Friars ... In response to a request for prayer and devotional time with the Lord especially for adults in their 30s/40s - we are creating 'Stay with Me' Mondays and hosting them across the city for all.

All are invited to a 'Stay with me' Mondays, but we ask you to especially invite and encourage young adults (30s/40s) to see this as a place of welcome, prayer and fellowship for them.