

# St. Augustine's Church Limerick



## Sixth Sunday of Easter 6th May 2018

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### 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



On the 12th May our light  
will spread across the world,  
in over 180 venues on 4 continents.

### Confession:

Monday & Friday

10.45am—12.00 /3.00pm-4pm

Saturday —

10.45am—12.00 /2.30pm-4pm



### Love Both: Choose Life



Beginning at Thomond Park at 4.15am next Saturday morning a large crowd is expected to walk, jog or run the 5km route to remember those who have died by suicide, to raise awareness of them, to help reverse the devastating trend, to show support for families and individuals bereaved in this way and to alert people again to the many support groups ready to listen and to help those under stress. There will be few spectators next Saturday morning at 4.15 am but we hope and pray that large numbers will register for the dawn walk during the week, far exceeding last years turn-out. All the funds are urgently needed to keep the crisis centre in Mungret open to provide a free service to those in urgent need. Come along yourself, recruit among your friends. After the exertions of this Sunday's Great Limerick Run the dawn walk is your opportunity to remain fit.

Walking out of darkness into the light is a richly symbolic action. Believers who are moving towards the end of the Easter Season will recognise the strong spiritual dimension of this exercise. Walking together expresses spiritual and human solidarity against the darkness around suicide. Last year they had 180,000 people sharing the light and helping to promote suicide prevention and to tackle the stigma that leads people to the doors of Pieta House Centres.

Please join us on May 12th and to register for this event go to [www.darknessintolight.ie](http://www.darknessintolight.ie) or contact 061 484444.

## Queen of the May Concert

St. Josephs Church  
**O'Connell St.**  
Thursday 10th May  
8pm sharp  
Tickets at the door.  
€10



## Support Services

Pieta House  
061 484444  
Living Links  
Providing practical help,  
advice and support to  
persons bereaved  
by suicide.  
Mon—Friday 5-7pm  
087 7998427  
Samaritans  
Freephone 116123

Maranatha  
Prayer Ministry  
Healing Retreat with  
Fr. John Mockler Limk,  
& Jomon Joseph  
(Lay Preacher)  
on Sunday 20th May  
It will be an afternoon  
of Praise & Worship  
with Confession, Mass  
and Adoration  
in St. Pauls Church  
Dooradoyle at 2.30pm

## Thought for Today

There are odd expressions in the Fourth Gospel and in 1 John. It is **strange to be commanded to love. Even stranger: "Now by this we may be sure that we know him, if we obey his commandments." What can "command" and "obedience" have to do with the love, the most free thing of all?** It may help to recall that both human nature and divine nature are defined by love. We are being commanded to become what we most want to be in our deepest selves. Obedience here is the invitation to become our truest selves, true to our identity before God and true to our mission simply as human beings.

### Prayer

You know us more deeply than we know ourselves: may your love go before us always and inspire in us a generous love for our neighbour.

[www.tarsus.ie](http://www.tarsus.ie)

## Farewell Noirin

We were sad to bid farewell to Noirin Lynch as she left the Diocesan team to venture into new pastures. Noirin is a very familiar face around the city and county and has made a tremendous contribution to our Diocese. A beautiful singer in her own right and a wonderful support be it organising, delivering and helping the many parishes in the diocese and indeed St. Augustine's with the 24 hrs of Adoration. We wish her every success in her new role.  
**Go n'éirí go geal leat!**



## Fr. Jerry Hickey O.S.A. Rest in Peace

Last Tuesday we said goodbye to our own Fr. Jerry Hickey O.S.A. a member of this community here in Limerick. Having been sick for some time he still made his way either morning or evening to attend the 10.15am or 4.00pm Mass. Sadly when this was no longer possible he spent some time in Milford and finally in Carrigoran Nursing Home where he died on Saturday 28th April the same day his brother Fr. Bertie Hickey O.S.A died in 2000. He will be greatly missed here, being a man of strong faith, with a great personality though he was **always a Cork man we won't hold that against him!** Fr. Jerry may you rest in peace.



## Visit of Papal Nuncio

**'The Diocesan team was delighted to welcome Archbishop Okolo to bless our new Diocesan Centre on Monday.** Following his visit to the Diocesan Centre and to Mary Immaculate College, Limerick then took a special moment and place to remember its most popular ever visitor as a memorial was unveiled to Pope Saint John Paul II.

**The county and city's first citizen, Mayor Stephen Keary; Bishop Brendan Leahy and Papal Nuncio to Ireland Archbishop Jude Thaddeus Okolo led the formalities as over 200 people turned out at Bishop's Quay in the city centre as the memorial, with a likeness of Pope Saint John Paul II making his signature salute embedded, was revealed.**