



St. Augustine's Church Limerick

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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29TH JULY 2018

Reek Sunday 29th July

MASS TIMES

Monday—Friday
7.30am—8.30am—
10.15am— & 4.00pm
Saturday —
8.30am—10.15am—3pm
(Mass for the Sick)
Sunday—
9.00am, 11.15 am
& 7.30pm

CONFESSIONS

Monday & Friday
10.45am—12.00 /
3.00pm-4pm
Saturday —
10.45am—12.00 /
2.30pm-4pm

Sacredspace Radio
West Limerick 102fm

Every Sunday
10am & 11pm
Inspirational
Interviews, Talks
& Music



Reek Sunday



The annual Reek Sunday pilgrimage takes place on the last Sunday in July on Ireland's holy mountain Croagh Patrick in the Archdiocese of Tuam.

This pilgrimage has been carried out uninterrupted for over 1,500 years. Croagh Patrick has over 100,000 visitors annually with up to 20,000 making the pilgrimage on Reek Sunday weekend each year. This year's pilgrimage will take place this Sunday 29th July. Parishioners from all over Ireland are invited to participate in the pilgrimage.

In the Bible, mountains were places of a privileged encounter with a divine presence, places which hosted key moments in the story of God's love for his people. High points like Sinai, Carmel, Horeb, Tabor and Calvary carry spiritual resonances for us.

The thousands who toil to the top of Croagh Patrick next Sunday have experienced these mountains in the joys and sorrows of their lives. The view from the top gathers the broken fragments of our lives into a bigger picture.

On a clear day you can see forever, away beyond Clew Bay and its multitude of Western Islands. The journey upwards can become the journey inwards. Hope is nurtured when you climb for a sick child or to say thanks for a mother's recovery from cancer. For some climbers it is just a challenge, an adventure or another hill walk. They too can find companionship in bare feet, aching limbs and Eucharist at the summit.



The experience can continue when you close your fist around a pebble brought home from the sacred mountain. The climbing cudgel can support you on your personal Way of the Cross years later.

Pilgrims who intend to make the climb should follow instructions of stewards. While it is a custom for some pilgrims to make the climb barefoot, pilgrims are advised to wear suitable clothing and footwear and to take care as they climb.

Pilgrims on the Journey

Reclaimed from a pagan god. Patrick wrestling with demons.
Jim battling with the drink. Inflated price of a pilgrim staff.
Shedding excess baggage. Letting go of guilt and recrimination.
Bleeding feet and mountain rescue. By these wounds Margaret is healed.
The presence of God in the cloud. Eucharist celebrated in the mist.
Place of wider vision. Energy for other mountains.
No longer an island. The expanse of Clew Bay.
The infinity of God's love.

L. Ryan OSA

Lord, remind us that we are a pilgrim people, searchers and seekers,
companions on a journey, wounded healers and faith-friends, walking
with Jesus to places made holy by his presence. Amen.



Upcoming Events



ADARE CELTIC NIGHT
Wednesday 1st August
Woodlands Hotel at 7.30pm.
St. Mary's Cathedral

West Winds Band & Choir Canada
Sunday 29th July at 6pm
Add €8 / Concession €5

FRIDAY AFTERNOON JAZZ
Friday 3rd August
1.30-2.30pm
Hunt Café Garden



Camino 2019 Augustinian Group

Would you like to join us?

A group from this church will attempt the First Stage of the Camino Francais next September 2019. The trip will take ten days and as well as walking this beautiful stage of the Camino de Santiago, you will also have the opportunity to visit two Spanish cities.

If you are reasonably fit, like the company of others, are open to meeting strangers along the way, this trip might be for you.

For more information contact:
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