

Mass Times

Monday-Friday
7.30am, 8.30am,

10.15am, & 4pm SATURDAY

8.30am, 10.15am Mass for the Sick

3.00pm

SUNDAY

9.00am, 11.15am & 7.30pm

CONFESSIONS

MONDAY & FRIDAY

10.45am-12 Noon

3.00pm-4.00pm SATURDAY

10.45am-12noon

2.30pm-4pm





St. Augustine's Church

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St. Augustine's Church Limerick 30th October 2022

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Shades of November

Tuesday we have ALL SAINTS and next day the FAITHFUL DEPARTED - only a sharp-eyed theologian can so separate and classify our by-gone brothers and sisters. To further fog the matter Monday is HALLOWE'EN, the night the spirits roam free. And maybe it's by a happy mistake that Hallowe'en has come to be Hollowe'en in popular pronunciation: it's more hollowed than hallowed now. There are two ways of celebrating. That struck me when I heard one celebrant give an exhibition of Indignation, our national sport, at it's national stadium—RTE's Liveline programme. To mark the industry that is Samhain/Hallowe'en he registered for a night-time Ghost Walk in Marlay Park, below the Dublin hills. The advertising was explicit in its promise:

"A free fright-fest of spooky thrills and chills with ghosts and ghouls and frightful sights, alive with freaky fog, ghastly spiders and skeletons, menacing witches and demons."

As is proper to Samhain, the worlds of the living and the dead overlapped. No cost or effort was spared in the cause of frightening the life out of you but the discipline of Health and Safety was employed to make sure this was done safely. So, *identifying wristbands* had to be worn; the whole event would take place on *a path suitable for buggies and wheelchairs, with the coffee-shop staying open till late.* A user-friendly underworld indeed. As one should, our hero made prudent preparation before entering the region of the spirits by spending €7 on treats for himself at LIDL thus earning the right to use their safe and supervised car-park. Having walked the spooky walk he returned with his full of free frights only to get a fright far from free—his car was clamped. He soon noticed that no one shared either his indignation or his haste to be set free. He waved his €7 receipt and wandered from unmoved pillar to uncaring post, like a - well, like a lost soul. His

anger simmered, hissed, and in spurts boiled over for what seemed to him like an eternity (you can't get away from the limitless) before costly deliverance arrived. He paid the clampers and was set free but, judging by his talk with Joe, the misery is still with him. Poor man.

We remember our dead especially in November. They made us what we

But, did you have to kick the bucket so hard?

are and they're with us still. The suffering that pained them is over. Many of us, like the women after Good Friday, visit the grave to remember, retell their story and have a word with God there. We, like Heaney, might say, But today it is my father who keeps stumbling behind me and will not go away.

J.L.

SAINT MARTIN TRIDUUM



THUR 3 NOV: Feast of St Martin Healing Service & Ansinting of the Sick after Mass

FRI 4 NOV:

7-9pm Young Adult Pizza Night & Discussion - Why Faith Matters'

Candlelight Compline SAT 5 NOV:

Family Benediction and Exhibition of Life of Bl. Carlo Acutis

> ST SAVIOUR'S DOMINICAN CHURCH

each day: ipm Mass, confessions, blessing with relic, devotions

THUR 3 - SAT 5 NOVEMBER

PREACHED BY FR. PATRICK DESMOND, OP

Monday 31st October

Tomorrow Monday is a Bank Holiday, there will be only two Masses in St. Augustine's, 10.15am and 4.00pm. There will be no Confessions.

ALL SAINTS -- ALL SOULS

Tuesday 1st November is the Feast of AII Saints and a Holy Day. A day we celebrate the goodness of people we have known—the vast number of un-canonized saints. Masses here in St. Augustine's will be 7.30am, 8.30am, 10.15am, 1pm & 4.00pm.Please note there will be an extra Mass at 1pm. Wednesday, 2nd November is the Feast of AII Souls with prayers for our deceased loved ones. Masses are at the usual times.

Novena for the Holy Souls

The Novena to St. Nicholas for the Holy Souls continues every Monday at the 10.15am Mass. Our remembrance books in the Peace Garden are brought to the altar and all our departed loved ones are remembered. You are invited to join us for this remembrance Mass for November or stream it on line www.augustinianslimerick.com

Desert Days -Time Apart with God

Step aside from the ordinary into the lovely surroundings of St. Munchin's Diocesan Centre for a one day retreat on Saturday 5th November from 10.30am –5.00pm. The focus of the day will be to remember our loved ones who have died. The retreat takes place in an atmosphere of silence and comprises a number of elements: reflections, guided meditation, prayer, an opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation and the celebration of the Eucharist.

Venue: St. Munchin's Diocesan Centre, Corbally, V94 9250

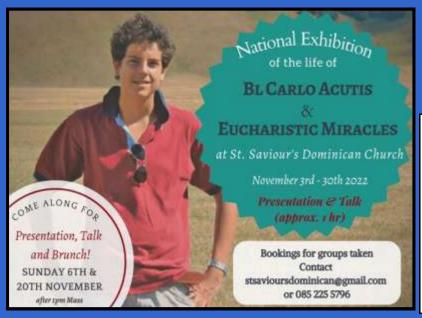
Price: €20

Please bring your own packed lunch. Tea/Coffee/Snacks provided.

The retreat will be facilitated by Phyllis Moynihan RSM and Bernadette Murphy.

Booking essential as places are limited. Contact Phyllis at 0879636893 or email:

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Don't forget to return your Christmas shoeboxes.. The deadline is November 8th.

NOVEMBER DEAD LISTS



Forms and envelopes for your November Dead Lists are available at the back of the church inside the main doors. Fill out your list and drop it into the box provided. Special Remembrance Masses will be offered for loved ones at 7.30am each weekday, 10.15am Saturday & 9.00am on Sundays during the month of November.