

OCTOBER NEWSLETTER

4th Oct 2020

OCTOBER: MONTH OF THE ROSARY

We invite each household to pray the Rosary during October this year.
NB! Rosary is available on our Webcam at 7.00pm daily.

ROSARY SUNDAY COLLECTION: SUN 4th OCTOBER

The annual Rosary Sunday Collection for the Education and Training of Irish Dominican Students is being taken up on this Sunday. In early September 4 new Novices were welcomed to begin their Dominican life in our Noviciate in Cork. Three novices from 2019 took their first vows as Dominicans and now begin their course of studies in St. Saviour's, Dublin. We currently have nine students in formation. It is a joint collection with Offertory collection. Your generosity helps to pay the bills for their formation and training.

ALL DAY ROSARY

Wednesday 7th October – Feast of the Holy Rosary. From 10.45am Mass until 5.30pm.
Do come along during the day to the Church and join in the Rosary.

FAREWELL TO TEACHER

Our best wishes to Maureen Kelly(Teacher) who will retire from Claddagh National School this week-end after many years of loyal service.

FIRST COMMUNIONS/CONFIRMATIONS 2020

Congratulations to the boys/girls and their families who celebrated Confirmation and First Communion recently. Each ceremony was a simple and dignified celebration – with small groups and in accordance with the current restrictions. Great credit is due to all who were involved in the preparation and celebration of these special occasions.

THANKS FOR CO-OPERATION

We are deeply indebted to all our volunteers for their loyal help in constant cleaning of the Church after each ceremony; for all the help in every respect – ushering, collecting, reading, music, flowers etc. Thanks and keep up the good work.

REMINDER FROM BISHOP BRENDAN KELLY

Bishop Brendan has written to remind us not to gather in groups after religious ceremonies. It is not the task of the priests to have to police this situation. These restrictions are not arbitrary or optional. It is a question of Christian responsibility and solidarity in the common task of limiting the spread of the virus.

WELCOME BACK!

(A reminder of the 'New normal' at Mass in Claddagh Church)

(i)SEATING: 2 per seat in centre; 1 per seat at side.

(Members of same household sit together)

(ii)HOLY COMMUNION : Up centre , and Down by side: please follow guidance of welcomers.

(iii)COLLECTION : Collectors at Church Doors with coloured buckets

(iv)CLEANING : after each Mass – (4 times on Sunday; 3 times on week-days) We will need this to continue. All help welcome to clean the church.