# <u>PATRICKSWELL/BALLYBROWN PARISH</u> <u>NEWSLETTER</u>

**OCT 18TH: SYNOD SUNDAY** 

Last Spring Synod delegates spoke in every parish about the Limerick Diocesan Synod 2016. This offered everyone the opportunity to listen, learn and pray for the Synod.

On October 18th - Mission Sunday - delegates will again address parishioners at weekend Masses, outlining where we are at on our Synod journey.

Delegates will be able to inform parishioners of the results of the listening surveys and the discernment that followed, and how specific themes have been decided on for discussion at Synod 2016

Last Saturday every parish received a Synod Sunday pack with resources for this work. If your parish has any questions about Synod Sunday, please contact Karen at the Synod Office immediately - 061 315856.

The six themes from the Synod "Community and Sense of Belonging, Faith Formation, Pastoral Care of the Family, New Models of Leadership, Liturgy and Life and Young People".

Director of the Synod, Fr Eamonn Fitzgibbon, said that, because of the decline in vocations, the laity would "play a far greater role" in the Church's future.

#### **MISSION SUNDAY - OCT 18TH**

World Mission Sunday takes place on the second last Sunday of October each year. Since 1926, the Church has traditionally remembered its universal mission during the month of October. This year Mission Sunday will be celebrated globally on the 18th October 2015.

**Ballybrown GAA** are seeking entries for the 2015 Scór na nÓg competition in the following area's:- Rince Foirne, Rince Seit ,Instrumental Music, Recitation / Story Telling, Ballad Group, Solo Singing, Table Quiz (teams x 4)

If you are interested in taking part, please contact Evelyn Adams 087-2211804 before  $31^{\rm st}$  October. All participants must be under 17 years of age.

The competition dates are as follows:

City Final of Scór Na Piarsaigh on Fri. Nov.13th @ 7:30 pm

County Table Quiz: Ballybrown GAA Club on Fri 20<sup>th</sup> November @ 8 pm County Final Caherconlish on Sun 22<sup>nd</sup> November @ 2:30 pm.

## PATRICKSWELL TIDY TOWNS GROUP

WILL BE HOLDING A TABLE QUIZ IN THE CU CHULAINN ON FRIDAY OCTOBER 23RD COMMENCING AT 9PM. €20 FOR A TABLE OF FOUR. GREAT PRIZES AND A RAFFLE, YOUR SUPPORT WOULD BE VERY WELCOME.

# Lourdes 2016

The 2016 Limerick Diocesan **Youth Pilgrimage** to Lourdes will take place from Sunday 21 June to Friday 26 June. The Parish has two places, all those over

16 years of age on date of departure who are interested please submit their names to the Parish Office or Church Sacristan before Sunday 25 October 2015.

# **Volunteer Teachers Urgently Required**

Can you spare one hour on a Tuesday evening to help out with the Society of St. Vincent de Paul's Revision Classes Project. This project offers revision classes to Junior and Leaving Certificate Students. The Project follows the school calendar and runs from November 3<sup>rd</sup> 2015 to March 15<sup>th</sup> 2016.

**WE NEED YOUR HELP!** For further information please contact: Eileen Hoffler at 061-514646/0874164251 or by email: Eileen.Hoffler@svp.ie.

## Mungret Heritage lectures resume in Mungret College

The Cromwellian land seizure is the topic of our first lecture on Thursday Oct. 15 at 8pm. In the 1650s following Cromwell's conquest of Ireland, all Catholic landowners were dispossessed and forced to move west of the Shannon. Historian, Joseph Lennon, examines the background and the outcome for County Limerick with particular emphasis on Mungret. Lectures on St. Nessan, and on the Mungret Agricultural School (1858-78) will follow on consecutive Thursdays. Free admission and all are welcome.

## Masses this Week:

**Patrickswell:** Monday to Friday at 9.30am, Saturday 6.30pm & Sunday 11.30am. **Adoration:** Saturdays 8.00am – 12.00noon.

**Baptisms:** 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> weekends in the month on Saturdays at 5.30pm, Sundays at 12.15pm.

**Ballybrown:** Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday at 9.30am.

Wednesday & Saturday 8.00pm. Sunday at 10.00am.

Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> November at 8.00pm - Month's mind Mass for Mary Ryan and Anniversary Mass for Mary Carroll

Adoration: Wednesday 7.00am - 8.00pm.

Baptisms: 1st & 3rd weekends in the month on Saturdays 5.00pm,

Sundays 12.30pm.

One month's notice required for Baptisms, please book with Church Sacristan.

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Items for Newsletter should be emailed or handed into the Parish Office by 12noon on Thursdays.

Newsletter is also available @ Ballybrown.com under News & Events.

Thank you for your weekly offerings
Patrickswell: €945.00 Ballybrown: €682.00