

# St. Nicholas News

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## DOLORES O'RIORDAN RIP



The Cranberries' frontwoman, Dolores O'Riordan, has been described as a woman of soul and courage by the bishop of Limerick, where she honed her musical talent at a Catholic school in the 1980s. O'Riordan, 46, died suddenly on January 15 in London, where she had been due to record material for a new release. Police were investigating her death, calling it "unexplained." Bishop Brendan Leahy of Limerick said her death "is such a sad loss of a young and precious life." "Of course, she was a superstar and an inspiration to so many people, not least from Limerick," he said. Recalling that she grew up in the neighbouring Archdiocese of Cashel and Emlly, Bishop Leahy said, "Limerick city, all of Limerick, held her very dear in its heart. "Her rise to stardom gave a huge amount of belief to young people locally at the time," the bishop said. "She never lost sight of who she was and where she was from." Recalling her deep spirituality - her mother named her in honour of Our Lady of the Seven Dolours, or Sorrows - Bishop Leahy said: "She also often spoke about her spirituality and how important that was to her and, of course, she met Pope John Paul II. "She spoke of taking a lot of influence for her music from her spirituality. Limerick and the world has lost a kind, soft-hearted, talented soul," he said. The O'Riordan family's parish priest, Fr James Walton, said the family was devastated and the community was shocked. "Nobody knows what to say - there's wall-to wall media coverage, but everyone here's just trying to get their own thoughts around it," he added. O'Riordan frequently spoke about her Catholic faith and the importance of prayer in her life. Her mother had hoped her daughter would consider religious life, but while she chose a music career instead, she was still able to make one of her mother's dreams come true. In a 2017 interview, she recalled how she "was invited to sing at the Vatican several times; it was a real honour." "I was chuffed to see inside the place. But one of the best things was taking my mum to meet the late Pope John Paul II. She was blown away. He was such a good man, very kind and I loved him," she said. O'Riordan's funeral is expected to take place in Limerick.

## POPE MEETS SURVIVORS OF SEXUAL ABUSE IN CHILE



Pope Francis has met in private with survivors of sexual abuse by Chilean clergy, the Vatican has said. Spokesman Greg Burke said the Pope met with "a small group of victims of sexual abuse by priests" at the apostolic nunciature in Santiago, Chile. "The meeting took place in a strictly private way, and no one else was present: only the Pope and the victims," Burke told journalists that evening. The private setting, he added, allowed the group to speak freely with the Pope and recount their sufferings. Pope Francis "listened, prayed and cried with them," Burke said.

## DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL TAKES POSSESSION OF IVEAGH MARKET

Dublin City Council has said it is to take possession of the Iveagh Market from businessman Martin Keane because of his failure to develop the Edwardian structure. Correspondence released under the Freedom of Information Act shows that the council has given Mr Keane until the end of the month to remove his possessions from the building. The council is threatening to change the locks and take possession of the market building. The council says it will refund the €2m Mr Keane paid for a leasehold title. Mr Keane, who owns Blooms Hotel and the Oliver St John Gogarty pub in Temple Bar, wants to create a "Covent Garden style" development on the site but has failed to raise the necessary finance since first obtaining planning permission in 2007.



## NOTICES

### Money Matters

Sunday 14 January 2018

Thank you for your contributions.

1st Collection: €225  
2nd Collection: €350  
Share: €35  
Family Offering: €330  
St. Vincent de Paul: €370



### Remembered at Mass

Sat 6pm: Anne & James Kelly

Sun 11.30am: Paddy Webster, Kathleen, Joseph and Richard Heffernan, Mary(7th anv) & Robert Archibald



### Transformer: Life in the Spirit Seminars

17th January to 7th March 2018. Living Water warmly invites you to our signature Transformer seminar series starting Wednesday, January 17th. This 8 week series is based on the international 'Life in the Spirit' programme. Each evening starts with upbeat, prayerful music followed with a talk by an invited guest on a different aspect of the Good News. After will be a time for participants to break into small groups and chat about the talks. The first night begins at 7pm sharp on Wednesday January 17th and each following Wednesday for 8 weeks. Find us in the Edith Stein Room, St Teresa's Church, Clarendon Street, Dublin 2. Age range 18-39 years. Register now at: [www.livingwater.ie](http://www.livingwater.ie) Living Water is Catholic Charismatic prayer group for young adults. Find us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/events/158797818086378/>



### Venerable Matt Talbot

Novena Mass on the first Friday of every month at St. Bernadette's Church, Clogher Road, Dublin 12.

Please come along at 7.30pm on Friday 2nd February.



### New Website

A great new community website for Kilmainham and Inchicore has been launched <http://www.kilmainham-inchicore.ie/>

The Kilmainham Inchicore Network KIN is a Dublin City Council-supported initiative to revitalise these two urban villages and to build community action and engagement. The site includes news and events, details of initiatives underway to enhance the area and information on businesses and services in the area. The site is being tweaked and reviewed so that it becomes a useful resource for people in the area and feedback is welcomed.



### €25,000,000 Makeover on Francis Street

An Bord Pleanála has given its approval to a major urban regeneration project on Francis Street in the heart of Dublin's Liberties. The scheme, designed by Douglas Wallace Architects, will include a 260-bedroom aparthotel, restaurant units, a gymnasium, shop and a cultural theatre and performance arts venue.

The €25 million project will be promoted by Anthony Byrne, founder of the Tivoli Theatre. It will have an overall floor area of 10,000sq m (107,638sq ft). The design will be centred on a new civic square to be known as "Tivoli Square", named after the existing theatre, which will be rebuilt as a modern performance and arts facility.



## **THIRD SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME**

### A reading from the Prophet Jonah

The word of the Lord was addressed to Jonah: 'Up!' he said 'Go to Nineveh, the great city, and preach to them as I told you to.' Jonah set out and went to Nineveh in obedience to the word of the Lord. Now Nineveh was a city great beyond compare: it took three days to cross it. Jonah went on into the city, making a day's journey. He preached in these words, 'Only forty days more and Nineveh is going to be destroyed.' And the people of Nineveh believed in God; they proclaimed a fast and put on sackcloth, from the greatest to the least. God saw their efforts to renounce their evil behaviour. And God relented: he did not inflict on them the disaster which he had threatened.

**This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God**

**Psalm 24** Lord, make me know your ways.

Lord, make me know your ways.  
Lord, teach me your paths.  
Make me walk in your truth, and teach me:  
for you are God my saviour. R/

Remember your mercy, Lord,  
and the love you have shown from of old.  
In your love remember me,  
because of your goodness, O Lord. R/

The Lord is good and upright.  
He shows the path to those who stray,  
he guides the humble in the right path;  
he teaches his way to the poor. R/

### A reading from the first letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians

Brothers and sisters our time is growing short. Those who have wives should live as though they had none, and those who mourn should live as though they had nothing to mourn for; those who are enjoying life should live as though there were nothing to laugh about; those whose life is buying things should live as though they had nothing of their own; and those who have to deal with the world should not become engrossed in it. I say this because the world as we know it is passing away

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### Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!  
The kingdom of God is close at hand;  
believe the good news.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

### Gospel

### A reading from the Gospel of Mark

After John had been arrested, Jesus went into Galilee. There he proclaimed the Good News from God. 'The time has come' he said 'and the kingdom of God is close at hand. Repent, and believe the Good News.' As he was walking along by the Sea of Galilee he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net in the lake - for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, 'Follow me and I will make you into fishers of men.' And at once they left their nets and followed him.

**This is the Gospel of the Lord.  
Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ**

## **THOUGHT FOR THE DAY**

"When will I be Enlightened?" "When you see," said the Master. "See what?" "Trees and flowers and moon and stars." "But I see these every day." "No. What you see is paper trees, paper flowers, paper moons and paper stars. For you live not in reality but in your words and thoughts." And for good measure, he added gently, "You live a paper life, alas, and will die a paper death."

*From One Minute Wisdom by Anthony de Mello*