

## SACRED MUSIC: OUR LABOUR IS REWARDED!



For the second year in a row, our Gregorian Chant Choir competed in the Limerick Choral Festival in March and again won a trophee.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR YOUNG SINGERS!**

In early March, Canon Lehocq travelled to the United States to lead a Gregorian Chant Workshop at the Institute's Oratory in St. Louis, Missouri. Nearly 90 musicians travelled from across America to attend.

The workshop concluded with the celebration of a Solemn High Mass sung by the attendees.



Along with the monthly Chant Workshop, polyphony is now taught at Sacred Heart Church. Our young singers are currently preparing some Holy Week motets for four voices by Palestrina and Byrd.

**JOIN OUR UPCOMING WORKSHOP LED BY DANIEL BATTLE ON TUESDAY 11<sup>TH</sup> APRIL FROM 7:45 PM TO 9:15 PM!**

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### HOLY WEEK LITURGIES IN LIMERICK

*The Passion of our Redeemer, which we have felt drawing nearer each week, increasingly engages the attention of the Church, the nearer she approaches the time of their celebration. The divine Victim, betrayed by one of His disciples, is to be judged, condemned, and crucified. Every circumstance of this awful tragedy is to be put before us by the liturgy, not merely in words, but with all the expressiveness of a sublime ceremonial. -Dom Prosper Gueranger*

**JUBILEE: 50 YEARS OF PRIESTHOOD!**



For Holy Week this year, we will have a guest of honour: **Canon Gérard Trauchessec**, the oldest priest in the

Institute of Christ the King, who is currently celebrating his 50<sup>th</sup> year of priesthood, will preside over most of the ceremonies of Holy Week at Sacred Heart Church. Please congratulate him on his life of devoted service as a priest of Jesus Christ!

**Please remember the solemn blessing of the Easter Lamb: Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> April at the end of the 10.30 am Mass.**

**12<sup>th</sup> April: Spy Wednesday**

- 6 to 7 pm: Confessions
- 7 pm: Mass
- 8 pm: Tenebræ

**13<sup>th</sup> April: Maundy Thursday**

- 6 pm: Mass, washing of the feet followed by adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until midnight.
- 8 pm: Tenebræ

**14<sup>th</sup> April: Good Friday**

- 3 pm: Liturgy of the Passion
- 6 to 7 pm: Confessions
- 7 pm: Stations of the Cross
- 8 pm: Tenebræ

**15<sup>th</sup> April: Easter Vigil**

- 7 to 7:45 pm: Confessions
- 8 pm: Easter Vigil

**16<sup>th</sup> April: Easter Sunday**

- 10:30 am: Sunday Mass followed by blessing of the Easter Lamb.





## RECENT VISIT OF MONSIGNOR WACH

We had the great joy of receiving Monsignor Gilles Wach in early March for a week-long visit to Ireland. Monsignor celebrated a Solemn High Mass and preached at Sacred Heart Church for the first Sunday of Lent. Monsignor greatly enjoyed his week in Ireland, and was very pleased with the progress being made on the restoration project. We look forward to his next visit here in Ireland!



Excerpt from Monsignor's homily :

*"The concrete circumstances of our lives provide the material of our sanctity. It is useless, it is even harmful to dream of a cross that the Lord has not given to us, to think that our progress depends only on changing exterior things, to desire only that which we do not have, and cannot have. A great part of the spiritual direction of St. Francis de Sales was a combat against this very common error, which makes us lose so much time and merit. It is one of the most clever deceits of Satan, for it can be masked under such reasonable appearances. The devil is delighted to keep us blind regarding ourselves."*

## BETTER LATE THAN NEVER...

**AFTER FIVE WINTERS, THE HEATING RESTORATION IS UNDERWAY IN OUR LIVING QUARTERS!**

At long last, though it was not in time to keep us warm during the winter, the heating for the second half of the priory has finally been installed. We thank you for your generosity, which will permit us to keep our community warm!

Thanks to the kindness of a local benefactor, we have received a **zero interest loan of €33,000** which has allowed us to reach this point. While this is certainly good news, we will need your help to pay back this loan by next year.

*Please mention "Heating" with your donation.*

*Thank you for your generosity!*



**WITH A NEW MORTGAGE...**

## VISIT OF OUR SISTERS TO IRELAND

Five of the Sister Adorers of the Royal Heart of Jesus visited Limerick at the end of March. It was a great blessing to welcome them to Limerick, and hear them sing for Holy Mass and Adoration. The sisters offered Gregorian chant training sessions, as well as a presentation on their religious life in the convent.



On 25<sup>th</sup> March, the feast of the Annunciation, the young ladies who attend Mass at Sacred Heart Church had the opportunity to spend the day with the sisters on a visit to Curraghchase Forest Park in County Limerick. Picnic, visit, prayers and games in sunny Limerick!



*Our sisters also very much enjoyed visiting the Cliffs of Moher as well as playing a game of camogie!*



Would you like to sponsor the visit of our sisters to Ireland? Please mention "Sisters" with your donation. God willing they may be more present in the Emerald Isle in the near future... Please keep them in your prayers!

## OUR SACRED MUSIC WEEK WAS A GREAT SUCCESS!



The week's programme included beautiful performances by Ancór Choir and our own polyphonic ensemble.