



, Limerick's success is an inspiration that goes way beyond sport - Bishop Leahy Monday 23 August

2021: Bishop of Limerick Brendan Leahy has today thanked John Kiely and his Limerick team for the joy and example they gave the people of Limerick on and off the field in claiming a third All-Ireland title in four years. Congratulating the players and management on the result, Bishop Leahy said that there are many lessons outside of sport to be gleaned from what has been achieved by the two-in-a-row Liam McCarthy Cup winners. "First and foremost, I want to say congratulations to the Limerick team, its management and everyone involved in this incredible success. It has been such a difficult 18 months or so for everyone but we are very privileged to have had our spirits lifted by their brilliant hurling and ultimate success.

"Everyone involved have been responsible for bringing the people of Limerick on such a journey that has been a wonderful distraction from our other challenges and woes in this world today. They really have raised the spirits of the entire county, put a smile on our faces and wiped stresses away for so many. That is a gift to us all that we have to be very grateful for." However, Bishop Leahy said that there was an even more profound message coming from the team, wider squad, management and background set-up. "For me, there was a deeper life-lesson from them, captured brilliantly by Cian Lynch in his post-match interview when he talked about the team ethic. He talked about the last 18 months, how they were always able to depend on each other and how every man was 'on the next man's shoulders'. "I was struck in particular by his words: 'for any young girl or boy aspiring to represent your county in any sport, be a team player and keep driving on'. These are inspirational words that speak to the need to always be there for each other. It's a lesson that can be

translated to family, to the workplace, to friendship and can stand us in such good stead in challenging times and, no doubt, there were those along the journey for this team too. Essentially, the message we can take from this is that we can only do so much on our own in life but together with others, we can scale mountains, just like this Limerick team."

He added: "There's a deep culture of togetherness built within that Limerick squad and so much of this clearly goes back to the leadership of John Kiely and his management team. We salute them all and thank them for this."



The Season of Creation will begin on the 1st of September and run through to the 4th of October. The theme this year is "Restoring our common home". This a great opportunity to raise awareness in our

parishes of the importance of caring for our common home and acting at the local level. The scale of the challenges we are facing are immense and sometimes overwhelming, it is good to remind ourselves that every step we take at the local level will have a ripple effect. No step we take is too small, Vincent Van Gogh said "*Great things are done by a series of small things brought together.*"

Launching the Season of Creation in Limerick 7:30pm, Wednesday 1st September

We will be launching the Season of Creation in the Diocese with a short, reflective prayer service at 7:30pm on Wednesday the 1st of September. This event will be live streamed on our Diocesan Facebook page, you are most welcome to join us, feel free to extend the invitation to others in your parish/ community. Our Diocesan Facebook page can be accessed here: <https://www.facebook.com/dioceseflimerick>

Plant a Tree initiative

Bishop Brendan is inviting parishes and schools to engage their new 6th class pupils in a tree planting initiative as part of the Season of Creation, linking it in with their preparation for Confirmation.

The proposal is to invite parishes/schools to involve their 6th class in planting a tree on the 4th of October, the feast of St Francis. A letter of invitation from Bishop Brendan is attached and includes details of supports available.

Remembered In Mass

Donoughmore



Sat 28th	7 pm	Megan Fleming. Margaret & Peter Grant. Maire Power 3rd A
Mon 23rd	10 am	
Tue 31st	10 am	No Mass
Fri 3rd	10 am	No Mass
Sat 4th	7 pm	Billy Brosnahan (20th) 80th Birthday

Knockea

Sun 29th	11am	Ellen, Eddie & James Baggott
Wed 1st	10am	John & Nancy Noonan
Sun 5th	11am	

Roxboro

You can read more about the seven year road map for the implementation of Laudato Si' at www.laudatosiactionplatform.org In planting a tree you will be joining a global environmental campaign called "Plant-for-the-Planet". More information on the project is available at www.crann.ie or at <https://crann.ie/projects/easy-treesie/> Crann has partnered with the easy treesie project to help a million schoolchildren on the island of Ireland to plant a million trees by 2023 and so far they have planted 115,004 trees across the country. If you'd like to take part, please email Orla Farrell, Project Coordinator at easytreesie@gmail.com. By Planting a tree for your Confirmation! Please visit the Diocesan Website www.limerickdiocese.org for more information and resources about the Season of

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Creation, including a Tree Planting prayer service. Celebrate the Season of Creation By Planting a tree for your Confirmation

Recent death Our sympathy to the family of Darren McCarthy, Rheogue, May he rest in Peace .

Anniversary remembrance John O'Connor and Harry Sheehy

Re-opening of Schools , we wish everyone the very best these days as our schools reopen .

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been developed that better facilitates contributions to the running of Churches, it can be accessed through the **parish website** dkrparish.ie and following the Donations link. It can also be accessed on our **Fb page** link to website

